Challenging Censorship: How the *Encyclopédie* Got Published

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When Diderot and D'Alembert agreed to edit the Encyclopédie in 1747, they aimed to create a work like no other. D'Alembert's Introduction organized knowledge around human reason. Not surprisingly, state censors found its message subversive, and the Pope placed the Encyclopédie on the Index of Prohibited Books. This talk looks at Diderot's strategies to ensure the work's continued publication, and at the later editions that allowed its revolutionary message to spread widely.

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