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Voices of Manipulation

Instructions: Read each quotation below. These excerpts represent different "voices" from Lewis's *Abuse of Language*, *Abuse of Power*. For each one:

- Interpretation Explain what the quotation means in your own words.
- **Context** Explain how the quote connects to Lewis's overall argument about the misuse of language.
- **Evaluation** Reflect briefly: Do you think this concern applies to today's society? Why or why not?
- "Language ceases to be a means of communicating truth and becomes a weapon for manipulating others."
- 2. "The abuse of language creates an illusion of knowledge where no knowledge exists."

3. "When words are twisted, the mind is also twisted."

- 4. "A society that tolerates corrupt language eventually tolerates corrupt power."
- 5. "The more language is emptied of truth, the more the will to dominate grows."

