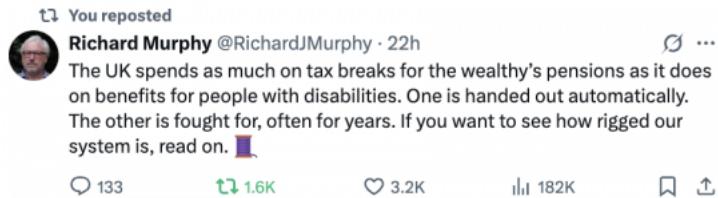


Back to X

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I mentioned recently that I was considering a return to X, or Twitter as I still think of it. There were four reasons. First, that is where politics is discussed the most, like it or not. Second, many other left-wingers did not leave. Third, that is where people who do not agree with what I have to say are. Fourth, that is where people who might be persuaded are.

Comments here confirmed that being where the action is might be important. As a result, I posted a Twitter thread yesterday. It was posting threads of Tweets - up to 80 long in one case - that I became quite well known on Twitter. Yesterday's was a modest ten, and since it was based on a blog that had already appeared here, I did not repost it here. But [the results showed](#) that in terms of reach, Twitter remains worthwhile:



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The UK spends as much on tax breaks for the wealthy's pensions as it does on benefits for people with disabilities. One is handed out automatically. The other is fought for, often for years. If you want to see how rigged our system is, read on. [Read on](#)

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I cannot usually reach 182,000 people in any other way on an issue like this, or as technical as this. We have only done that on YouTube with issues relating to Trump.

I suspect there will be more threads to come.