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## Ethical theories: virtue, duty and happiness

### Questions to stimulate reflection

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What is it that makes a person *virtuous*? Can a person be born virtuous? Is virtue a necessary condition of human happiness? How do we acquire virtue?

Is there such a thing as 'the moral law'? Where does it come from? How do we know what it requires of us? Don't rules always end up conflicting with each other? Isn't a morality of duty a heartless morality?

Is the right action the one that produces the greatest happiness of the greatest number? What is happiness? How do we measure happiness? Doesn't this claim justify violating the rights of minorities?