

# Do the Right Thing: Ethics from a Kid's Perspective



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# Scenario A:

Tommy has a big test coming up. The night before the test, he finds the answers to the test online. What should he do?

# Scenario B:

Suzy and Jessica are classmates but don't get along well. At recess one day Suzy yells at and pushes Jessica. What should Jessica do?

# What are Ethics?

# What is Ethical Behavior?



# Other Examples?

# Statement of Ethical Values

Members of the University of California community are committed to:

## **Integrity**

We will conduct ourselves with integrity in our dealings with and on behalf of the University.

## **Excellence**

We will conscientiously strive for excellence in our work.

## **Accountability**

We will be accountable as individuals and as members of this community for our ethical conduct and for compliance with applicable laws and University policies and directives.

## **Respect**

We will respect the rights and dignity of others.

# Scenario 1:

Andrei is a manager responsible for selecting and buying the office equipment for the department. One store offers Andrei a free printer if he buys from them. Feeling motivated by the prospect of a free printer, he wants to buy from them and ends up negotiating a large discount which saves the department a lot of money. There were other stores he could buy from. Given the discount he negotiated, as well as all his hard work, Andrei feels he should be allowed to keep the free printer for his home. However, he isn't sure.



## Scenario 2:

Gretchen and Sue work together in the office. When Gretchen is forced to reschedule a meeting at the last minute, Sue gets upset and yells at Gretchen. This is not the first time that this has happened. Sue has yelled at Gretchen before. Gretchen is uncomfortable around Sue and nervous about not doing anything to upset her. Gretchen has asked Sue not to yell. Gretchen reported the situation to their boss, who told her to stop being a baby. Gretchen avoids Sue and their work suffers.

## Scenario 3:

Dave needs to quickly fill a position because someone retired. Rather than advertising the position, Dave hired his friend Bob temporarily. Dave knew that Bob was a hard worker and wanted to work for the school. Meanwhile, several employees in the same department were hoping to be considered for the job and planned to apply when it was advertised. When the position was finally advertised Bob already had the experience to win the job. Bob was hired over two long time employees.

## Scenario 4:

Ingrid serves on a committee that will select a company to provide advice to the School. Ingrid's husband works for one of the companies that wants the job. However he won't be working on this project if his company gets the job.

# Scenario 5:

Cliff is a teacher in the History department. Cliff is also a talented web designer, and to make extra money, he recently got a second job to design a website for a company. The extra work is keeping him up very late at night, and to meet the deadlines, he works on the website during his office hours instead of seeing his students. Cliff is so tired that he falls asleep during class. His students and his colleagues have been complaining.

How have you applied “Ethics” to  
everyday life?

# Finally.....

What have you learned today from participating in this webinar?

What would you tell your friends about “ethics” and “doing the right thing”?

Questions?  
Comments?

**THANK YOU!!**