

## Title: Ethics

LO 1: To define the term 'ethics' and understand what is a 'moral dilemma'

*Starter*

**Link the terms to their definitions  
using worksheet 7.1.5a**



1. **Ethics**: The study of what is right or wrong
2. **Morality**: Virtue, doing what is right or good
3. **Right**: Correct, good, appropriate (something that should be done)
4. **Wrong**: Incorrect, bad, inappropriate (something that shouldn't be done)
5. **Dilemma**: A situation where two decisions are equally bad and it is hard to decide
6. **Illegal**: Against the law
7. **Morals**: Actions, habits or attitudes related to right and wrong
8. **Ought**: another word for 'should' or 'must'
9. **Responsibility**: a duty; something that you should do, or ought to do
10. **Virtue**: A good value, quality or tendency in a person; the opposite of vice

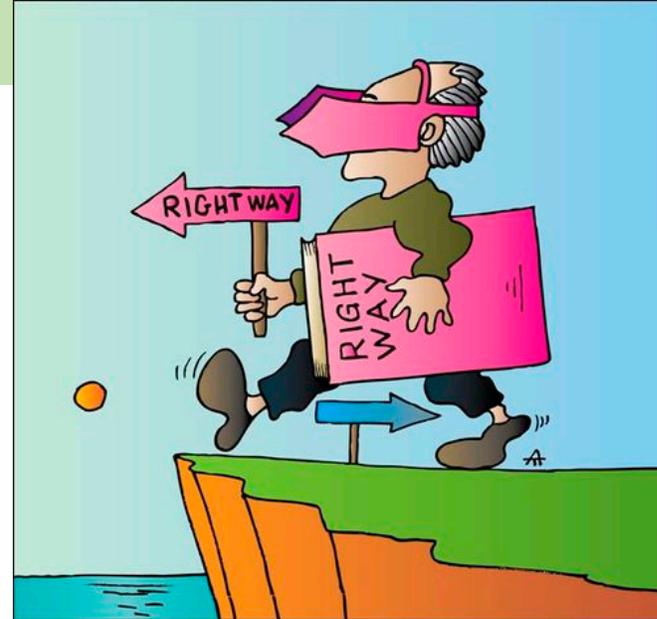
What were the reasons behind Arjuna's dilemma on the Battlefield of Kuruksetra?



Let us look at some moral dilemmas (exercise sheet 7.1.5a)

*Extension:*

- 1) Reflect on your answers.
- 2) Based on your answers write down 3 general guidelines about how people make decisions. For example, people often do what others (such as elderly or experienced people) tell them to do.

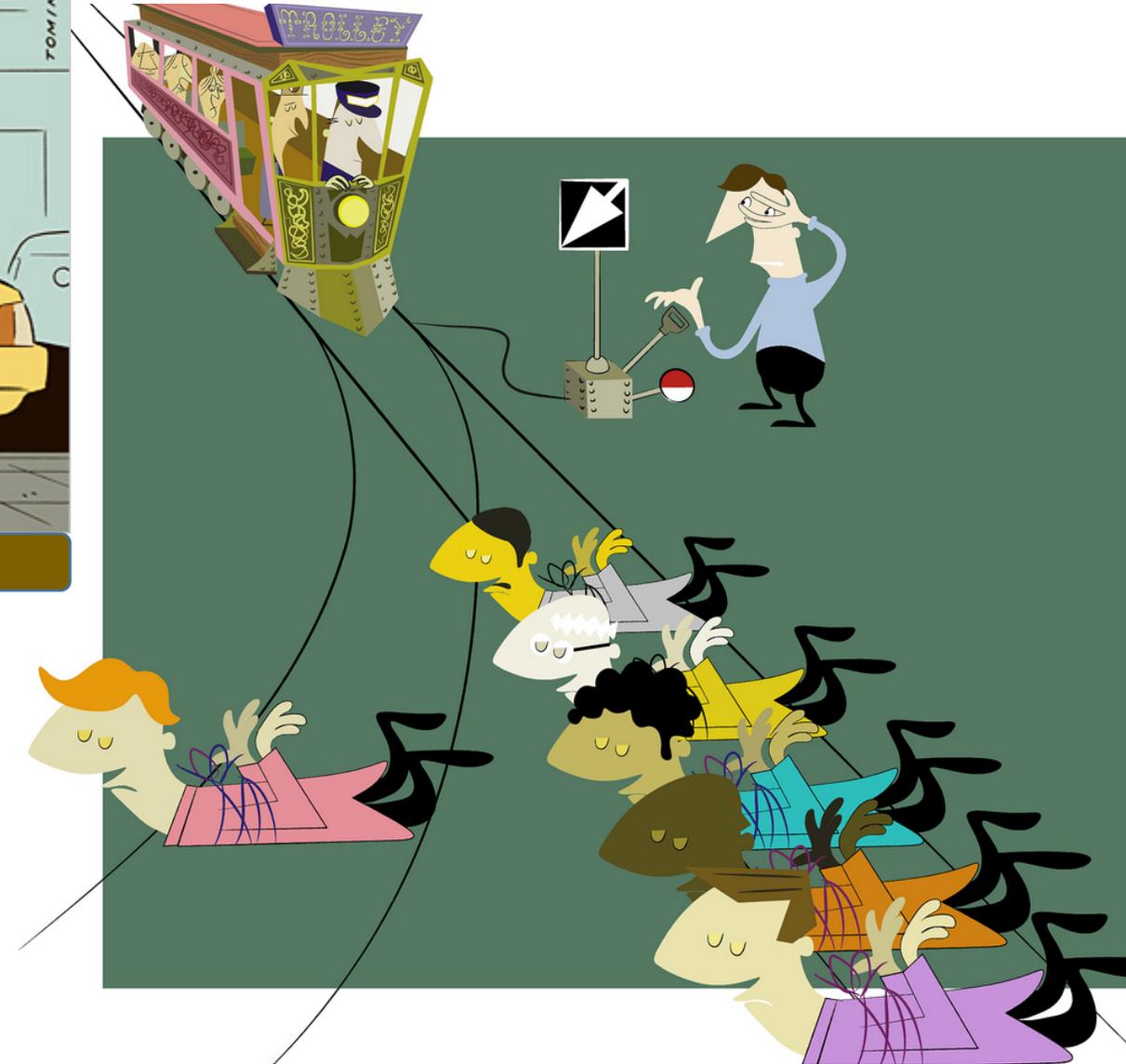
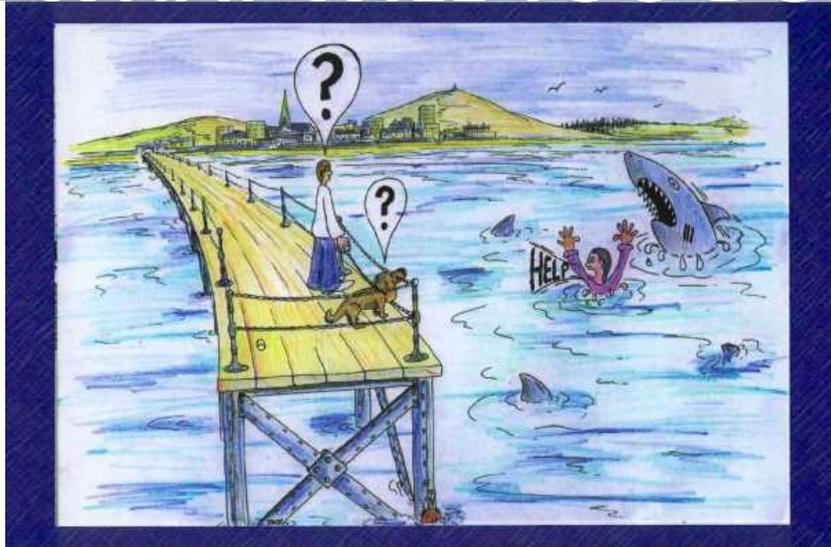


# When people make decisions, they ...

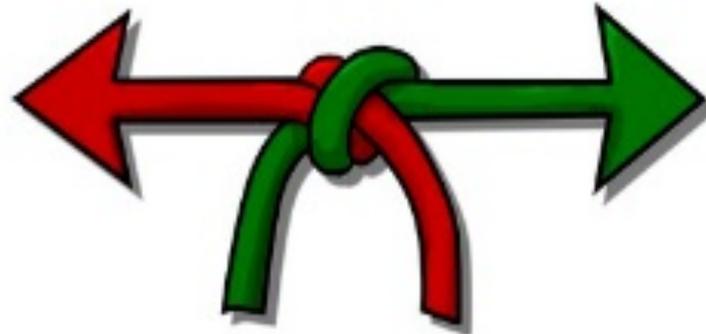
1. Hear from others
2. Think rationally; in other words, they have good reasons and their decision makes sense
3. Make sure no one is hurt, as a result of their decision
4. Follow their duty and they do what needs to be done
5. Feel peer pressure



# LO2: To identify concrete examples of moral dilemmas



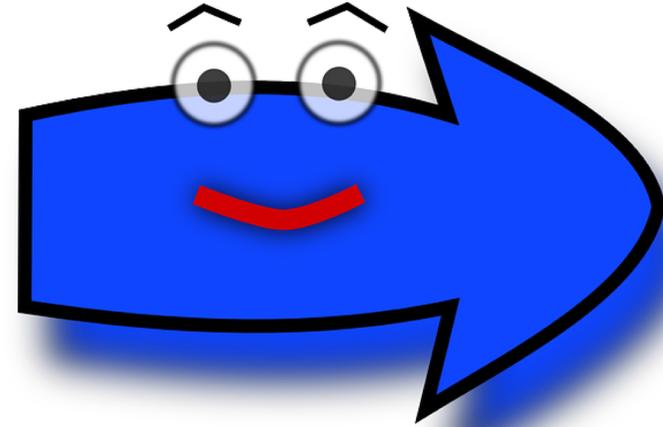
- Describe the moral dilemma. Why is this a difficult decision?
- What did the hero/heroine do?
- What did others think about the hero/heroine?
- What would you have done? Explain why



LO3: To explain my view on an important 'moral question'

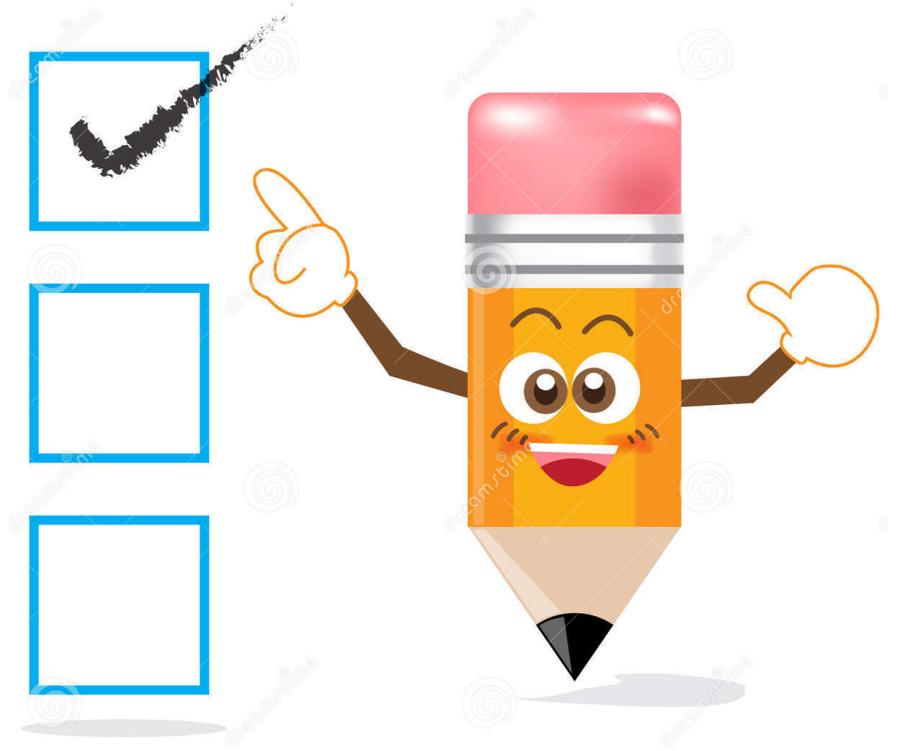
**WHICH ARE THE MORAL QUESTIONS....?**

- Is it right to go to war?
- Does God exist?
- Is lying always wrong?
- Do some criminals deserve capital punishment?
- How do we know?
- Should parents arrange the marriage of their children?
- What is the difference between the mind and the soul?
- Should we kill animals?



Should we kill animals?

Use exercise sheet 7.5.1c to  
discuss in your groups



▪ Let us summarise today's lesson (written activity)

1. In 3 short sentences
2. In 3 key words
3. In one word

