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Solve the Fairness Puzzle: 3rd Grade Ethical Dilemmas Quiz

Third graders synthesize complex choices and evaluate conflicting values through original moral scenarios and character-based synthesis.

1. A village has one well. If the village leader decides to give the water to a hospital instead of a private garden because it saves more lives, which idea are they using?

- A. Personal preference
- B. Maximizing the greatest good
- C. Following a rule about gardens
- D. Random selection

2. True or False: If you follow the 'Golden Rule,' you treat others the way you want to be treated, even if it is difficult.

- A. True
- B. False

3. Maya finds a rare bird's egg. She wants to keep it for her collection, but she knows the 'Rule of Nature' says to leave eggs alone to protect the species. If Maya leaves the egg because she believes rules must always be followed, she is focusing on:

- A. Her own happiness
- B. The price of the egg
- C. A sense of duty
- D. What her friends think

4. A person who is always 'virtuous' tries to build a good _____, which means they practice being kind and honest until it becomes a habit.

- A. Library
- B. Reputation
- C. Character
- D. Fortune

5. Imagine a robot is programmed to always protect humans. If it must choose between stopping a small fire or helping a lost child find their parents, why is this an 'ethical dilemma'?

- A. Because the robot is broken
- B. Because both choices involve doing something good but you can only do one
- C. Because fires are hotter than people
- D. Because the robot doesn't have feelings

6. True or False: If a leader decides who gets a prize by picking names out of a hat because they want to be 'fair,' they are using a 'Principles of Justice' approach.

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- A. True
- B. False

7. When we stop to think about 'What is the right thing to do?' instead of just acting, we are practicing _____.

- A. Biology
- B. Philosophy
- C. Economics
- D. Geography

8. If an inventor creates a machine that makes free food for everyone but it uses up all the neighborhood's electricity, a critic might argue the 'consequences' are too high. What are 'consequences'?

- A. The names of the inventors
- B. The results or effects of an action
- C. The materials used to build machines
- D. The rules in a science book

9. A student finds a lost toy. Instead of keeping it, they imagine how the owner feels and decide to return it. This ability to understand others is called _____.

- A. Bravery
- B. Logic
- C. Empathy
- D. Speed

10. True or False: Every ethical dilemma has one easy, perfect answer that everyone always agrees on.

- A. True
- B. False