

Lesson 4

COERCION

Activity 1

Exercise: Benevolence versus Justice

For each of the acts below, write out specific reasoning that speaks to why you think the act is wrong. Write down your answers and then discuss whether your primary concern is one of unfairness or unjustness of the act or the lack of benevolence.

What bothers you most about the following acts? Why is it wrong?

1. Sexual abuse of children is wrong because . . .
2. Sexual harassment by a peer in a high school is wrong because . . .
3. Pressuring someone to have sex with you is wrong because . . .
4. Having sex with someone who is drunk is wrong because . . .
5. Having sex with someone who is 5 years younger than you is wrong because . . .
6. Rape is wrong because . . .