**Chapter 01**

**Ethical Reasoning, Moral Theories, Principles, and Bioethics**

1. Which of the following is a FALSE statement about the ethics of triage in medicine?

A. A physician at a scene calling for medical triage should not treat those who will die anyway.

B. A physician at a scene calling for medical triage should not treat those who will live anyway.

C. The ethics of triage owes its philosophical roots to utilitarianism.

D. The ethics of triage aims to maximize life.

**E.** Triage ethics owes its philosophical roots to ancient Greek quality-of-life ethics.

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2. There is a breakthrough in cancer research and a new drug seems to cure anyone who takes it for a year, but it is very rare and expensive, so there is only enough for a few patients. Kantian ethical theory would favor allocating this drug according to:

A. who would contribute most to society.

B. who would live the longest.

C. who had the most children dependent on him or her.

D. who was the sickest.

**E.** a lottery.

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3. A shipwreck has occurred in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, and there is no time to radio for help. It is at a distance of a thousand miles from Africa. Rescue may not be coming. The captain is in a lifeboat but too many people want to get in, and a storm is approaching. If the captain follows utilitarian ethical theory, whom will he allow to stay in the lifeboat?

A. Only those already inside the boat with whom he has developed a caring relationship.

B. He would choose by drawing straws (use a lottery).

**C.** He would choose those who were the strongest.

D. He would give up his place to an elderly person in the water who is likely to drown soon.

E. He would not make any choice at all.

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4. In describing ethical theories, which of the following is TRUE?

A. The root of "compassion" comes from a Greek phrase meaning "to compare feelings."

B. The Stoics believed in the greatest good for the greatest number as the basis for morality.

C. Augustine quipped that life was "solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short."

D. Kant believed that the autonomy of alcoholic patients is best respected by understanding that alcoholism is a disease over which they have little free will.

**E.** Some forms of utilitarianism consider the suffering of animals in calculating the greatest good for the greatest number.

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5. \_\_\_\_\_ are examples of impartial ethical theories.

A. Feminist ethics and utilitarianism

B. Kantian ethics and feminist ethics

C. Virtue theory and feminist ethics

**D.** Kantian ethics and utilitarianism

E. Subjectivism and nihilism

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6. Which of these is FALSE about utilitarianism as a moral theory?

A. It defines a right act as the one that produces the greatest good for the greatest number.

B. The greatest good may include the pain and suffering of animals.

C. Consequences matter in this theory.

D. The number of beings affected matters in this theory.

**E.** Virtuous acts done for the sake of being virtuous matter in this theory.

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7. Ultimately, Kant tried to equate morality with:

A. love.

B. humanity.

C. civility.

**D.** reason.

E. feeling.

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8. The ethical theory most in sympathy with the ethos of public health is:

A. Kantian ethics

B. Emotivism

C. Objectivism

**D.** Utilitarianism

E. Social contract theory

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9. The Ethics of Care is most identified with:

A. Kant.

B. Plato.

C. Bentham.

**D.** feminism.

E. Aristotle.

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10. Ancient Greek physicians adopted ethics best described as:

A. utilitarian.

**B.** role based.

C. based on the needs of public health.

D. based on universalizable maxims.

E. based on love.

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11. Identify a TRUE statement about natural law.

**A.** It commanded humans to resist their feelings.

B. It advocated homosexuality.

C. It regarded sexual relations between a married man and his wife as unnatural and bad.

D. It accommodated change and progress.

E. It held that right acts produce the greatest amount of good for the greatest number of beings.

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12. Which of the following is TRUE of libertarians?

**A.** They favor government for defense and for limited public works.

B. They favor government programs such as Medicare and Medicaid.

C. They oppose the property rights of the status quo.

D. They always state clearly how those enjoying the status quo acquired their property.

E. They champion the taxes for the Hospital Insurance Trust Fund.

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