

# Issues in Environmental Ethics

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- 2. **How** are the key issues in environmental ethics approached?
- 3. **Why** are the approaches to the key issues in environmental ethics important?

1. **What** are the key issues in environmental ethics?

Human beings have an unquestionably harmful effect on the environment; however, some human activities are more damaging and destructive than others. The most harmful activities are all key issues in environmental ethics, because they stimulate significant debate about the extent to which human beings should be allowed to damage or destroy the environment. Make a note about three key issues in environmental ethics (i.e. sustainability, waste management, and climate change).

Key Issues in Environmental Ethics		
Sustainability	Waste Management	Climate Change

2. **How** are the key issues in environmental ethics approached?

The two significant approaches to environmental ethics are conservation and stewardship. Sustainability, waste management, and climate change are addressed differently depending on which approach is adopted. Make a note about how the most important issues in environmental ethics are addressed.

How Stewards Approach Key Issues in Environmental Ethics	
Approach	How
Stewardship Theocentrism	

### How Conservationists Approach Key Issues in Environmental Ethics

Approach	How
<b>Conservation</b> Anthropocentrism Shallow Ecology	
<b>Conservation</b> Biocentrism Deep Ecology	

3. **Why** are the approaches to the key issues in environmental ethics important?

The approaches to sustainability, waste management, and climate change dictate what life looks like for human beings and the environment. Make a note of how stewards and conservationists suggest living to address the problems created by natural resource consumption and pollution.

### How Stewards and Conservationists Suggest Living

Stewardship Theocentrism	Conservation Anthropocentrism Shallow Ecology	Conservation Biocentrism Deep Ecology

Beyond what life looks like for human beings and the environment, how environmental issues are addressed is important for other reasons. Make a note of three additional reasons why the approaches to the key issues in environmental ethics are important.

### Why the Approaches to the Key Issues in Environmental Ethics are Important

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