

Issues in Social Ethics

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

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

In order for most societies to function, it is necessary for them to discriminate between their members for various justifiable reasons. For example, most human beings consider it justifiable to discriminate between adults and children in issuing driving licences. Nevertheless, the practice of discrimination can lead to unfair and unjustifiable types of discrimination, and these are generally the instances that give rise to issues. Make a note about three of the key issues in social ethics (i.e. sexism, racism, and ableism).

Key Issues in Social Ethics		
Sexism	Racism	Ableism

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

The key issues in social ethics are approached in two different ways: some people adopt the pre-Enlightenment approach and some people adopt the post-Enlightenment approach. Make a note about how the key issues in social ethics are approached.

How the Pre-Enlightenment Approach to Key Issues in Social Ethics Works

How the Post-Enlightenment Approach to Key Issues in Social Ethics Works

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

The approaches to sexism, racism, and ableism are important for several reasons, many of which are obvious. Arguably most importantly, the approaches influence what societies look like. Make a note of how people who follow the pre-Enlightenment and post-Enlightenment approaches address issues in social ethics.

How the Pre-Enlightenment and Post-Enlightenment Approaches Address Issues in Social Ethics

Pre-Enlightenment	Post-Enlightenment

Beyond what societies look like, and the unfairness and injustice of prejudice and discrimination, the key issues in social ethics are important for other reasons as well. Make a note of three additional reasons why the approaches to the key issues in social ethics are important.

Why the Approaches to the Key Issues in Social Ethics are Important

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