Welcome to 4th year RMPS - Core

In your Core 4th Year Course the Moral Issues that you will be studying are Abortion and Euthanasia. Some people think Abortion is morally wrong, some think it is morally right and others think it can be right or wrong depending on the particular situation. This is the same situation for Euthanasia.



Throughout our life we will have to make many **moral decisions** – decisions about what is the right or wrong thing to do in a certain situation.

Your task is to think about how **you** make moral decisions. Please do the tasks on the following three pages. If your RMPS teacher is Miss Ennis please send your completed work to <u>Rebecca.Ennis@leith.edin.sch.uk</u> If your RMPS teacher is Mrs Brown please send your completed work to <u>Patricia.Brown@leith.edin.sch.uk</u>



How do you know if something is wrong or right? What helps you make a moral decision?

Think about these situations and write down what makes you decide that it is wrong. Who/What tells you it is wrong?

Situation	Why do you think it's wrong?
Driving at 90 mph	
Lying to your friend	
Stealing	
Being rude to other people	
Not doing what you are told at school	
Not doing what your parents want	
Not doing your homework	
Stealing even if you know you won't get caught	

Now come up with five situations of your own.

Situation	Why do you think it is wrong?

Conscience

Your conscience is an inner feeling you get when you think an action is right or wrong. Sometimes people describe their conscience as being like an angel and a devil inside them that tell you if you should do something.

One thing my conscience tells me is wrong is

Rules/Law

Wherever you go, there are always rules. In school, at home, in town etc Write down 3 rules from each place.

Home		
1		
2		
3		
School		
1		
2		
3		
Public law		
1		
2		
3		



Your parents or the people who brought you up have a big influence on what you THINK. If they've been telling you things since you were born you assume that they are telling the truth and that they are right.

Other adults

Name 4 other adults that might influence you when you decide if something is right or wrong e.g. Neighbour_____

1	
2	
3	
4	



Examples of Moral Issues

In RMPS you will be studying a variety of Moral Issues. A Moral Issue is a situation that some people think is 'wrong', some people think is 'right' and others think whether it is right or wrong 'depends' on the particular situation.

Examples of Moral Issues are Capital Punishment and War.

Make a wordle using as many Moral Issues as you can think of.

Here is an example of a Wordle on Human Rights to help you.

