



IT'S A DILEMMA

Starter Dilemmas

Cut these into strips. More dilemmas can be created from advice columns, current events, and local issues.

If the whole class is getting punished for something one person did, and you know who did it, should you tell?

Should a tax system be set up so wealthier people in society help support the poor?

A rich man and a poor man commit the same type of crime. The rich man is fined \$10,000. The poor man doesn't have \$10,000, so he is sent to jail for a year. Is this fair?

You are shopping with your friend and see a great tee-shirt. You can't afford it, but your friend has an idea of how to shoplift it without getting caught. What do you do?

You are having a party and inviting all your friends. One of your friends really likes a new kid, but you don't. What should you do?

While you're waiting with other people to get on the bus, the driver runs into a convenience store for a cup of coffee. You get on. Should you pay the fare?

You're walking home and see an old, frail person getting beaten up. You are large and strong and could easily chase off the attacker. But it's late, you have a test tomorrow, and you know it will take time if you get involved with the police. You really want to get home. What do you do?

You borrowed a friend's toy. It was old, and not in great shape. While you had it, it broke completely. Do you have to buy your friend a new one?

Five friends find \$100 on the street. There is no way to find out whose money it is, or to return it. The friends decide to split it. They found it equally, so they can divide it equally. But two of the friends are really poor. They would use the money for food. One of the friends has a lot of money, and the share wouldn't mean much. How should the money be divided?
