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Applied Ethics - Euthanasia

Content (Intent)

Prior Learning (Topic) GCSE Dialogue between beliefs, Yr12 Natural Moral Law, Yr12 Utilitarianism, Yr12 Situation Ethics, Yr12 Kantian Ethics

- Sanctity of life
- · Quality of life
- Voluntary euthanasia
- Non-voluntary euthanasia
- The application of **natural law** and **situation ethics** to euthanasia
- Consideration of issues raised by euthanasia, including:
 - the application of **natural law** and **situation ethics** to euthanasia
 - whether or not the religious concept of sanctity of life has any meaning in twenty-first century medical ethics
 - whether or not a person should or can have complete autonomy over their own life and decisions made about it
 - whether or not there is a moral difference between medical intervention to end a patient's life and medical non-intervention to end a patient's life

Future Learning (Topic) Yr12 Business Ethics, Yr13 Sexual Ethics

How will knowledge and skills be taught? (Implementation)	How will your understanding be assessed & recorded (Impact)
This topic will involve a large array of pedagogy and include, but not limited to: Teacher led lesson content Group and independent quizzes Independent research Seminar style discussions	 Exam style essay marked against the exam criteria with written and verbal feedback. Homework. Marked and feedback given. Verbal responses. Individual and class feedback given.

How can parents help at home?

- Discussing the ideas and content at home, especially focusing on incorporating the key ethical terms into vocabulary.
- Watch and discuss the videos on the section for this topic on the VLE.

Helpful further reading/discussion

Reading	Vocabulary Lists	Careers Links
 Any of the texts on the KS5 reading list on the Philosophy Fortnight section of the VLE. Textbook pages on the Euthanasia section of the VLE. Glover, J. (1977) Causing Death and Saving Life, London: Penguin Books, Chapters 14 and 15 	 Non-Treatment decision Active Euthanasia Sanctity of life Quality of life Personhood Autonomy Right to die Voluntary euthanasia Non-voluntary euthanasia Involuntary euthanasia Dignity Palliative care 	 Lawyer Clergy Public services Teacher or lecturer Politician Medical professional

Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (5th May 1980) Declaration on Euthanasia
 Singer, P. (1995) Rethinking Life and Death: The Collapse of our Traditional Ethics
 Assisted suicide
 Please Slippery slope problem
 Persistent vegetative state (PVS)