Dilemmas

Quite often we find ourselves in situations in life when we have to choose between what is right and what is wrong.

Preparation
Read Part 1 and Part 2 and prepare what you want to talk about.

Part 1 — Present and Compare
Below, you find a list of some acts which are usually considered criminal and/or dishonest. First, by yourself, study the alternatives below and number them 1 to 5, where 1 is what you personally think is the worst. Then present your ranking to your partner and give reasons for your opinions.

Feel free to ask each other questions and discuss when you want an explanation or don’t agree. Compare your choices. Do you both agree/disagree? Why? – Why not?

- Sharing downloaded copyright material (music, films, etc.)
- Hiding someone from the police
- Using a fake identity, for example online
- Buying a bike that has probably been stolen
- Driving through a red light
Part 2 — Interact and Discuss

Study the dilemmas/situations below. **Choose at least two each** that you want to discuss. Use some or all of the questions to get the discussion going. You could of course **add ideas of your own as well**.

**Discuss, compare, give examples and give reasons for your opinions.**

- Why did you choose this situation/dilemma?
- How would you react? What would you do?
- What might be positive and/or negative about it?
- What future consequences could there be?

**You** and some friends are kicking a ball around and accidentally break a neighbour’s window.

**You** realise that a workmate is stealing money from your employer in order to pay his debts.

**You** discover a wallet lying on the ground. It contains £100. This sum would come in handy...

**You** are told that the boy/girl you are in love with is writing bad things online about your best friend.

**Your** best friend’s parents suspect that he/she is seeing someone instead of going to school. They ask you if you know anything about it.

**You** are told that your football team has been offered money to lose an important match.

**You** see someone, who used to bully you in school, being mugged in the street.

**You** are shopping and notice a woman stuffing a new scarf into her bag.

**You** are given a £20 note instead of a £5 note as change in the shop when you pay for a pair of jeans.

**You** see a copy of the next day’s maths test on the teacher’s desk. You are the only one in the classroom.

**You** find out that someone you know is selling drugs outside a nearby school. Your friends think you should report this to the police.