

Upholding Ethics and Integrity

Central Board of Secondary Education



What is Integrity?





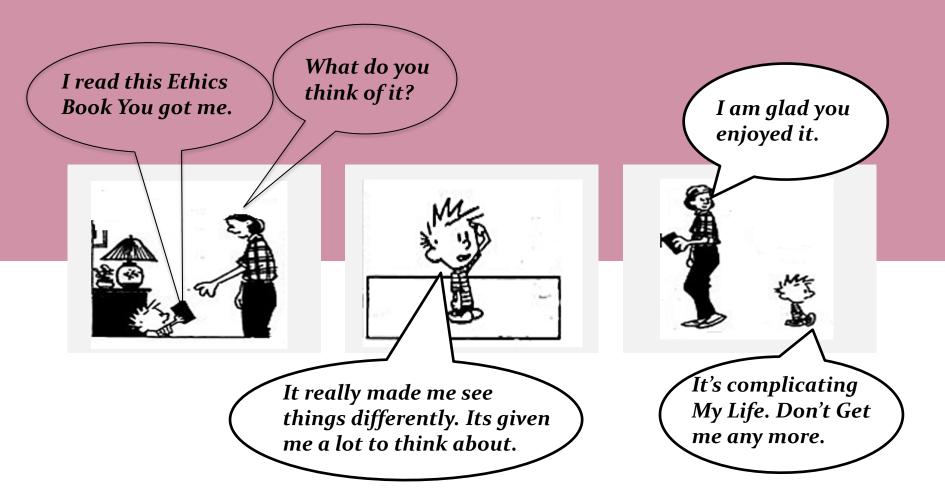
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Honesty at all Times

Matryoshka dolls or Russian dolls, are the set of wooden <u>dolls</u> of decreasing size placed one inside another.



Calvin and Hobbes

In this room we don't do EASY

we make easy happen through HARD WORK and LEARNING

Discussion Points

What do all of these definitions /statements have in common?

Is integrity something that one can impose on someone else?

Give an example of unethical behaviour that you may have come across.

Is adopting unfair means during exams, a case of unethical behaviour? Why?

THE BAD NEWS!

Rise of Cheating Culture



Blatant breaking of rules to get ahead academically, professionally, or financially.



Sometimes it involves breaking or violating laws, sometimes it does not.

It may even be done by people who hold "respectable" positions.



These are people who prefer taking an unethical route to reach their destination.

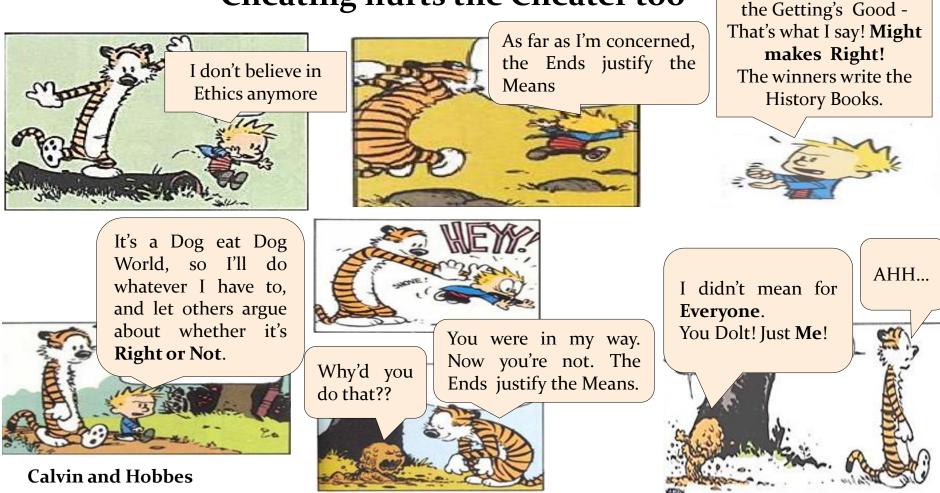
Some people feel it is cool to be unethical



"Lately I've been feeling ethical. Can you prescribe something for that."

Cheating hurts the Cheater too

Get what you can while



Every unethical practice has its consequences.

Culprits arrested. Every person who received or forwarded the papers identified and investigated.

CYBER CRIMES CAN BE NAILED.



CBSE Class X paper leak case solved, say police

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CBSE Class X paper leak case solved; Una teacher behind Delhi Police today said that it has solved CBSE Class X math paper leak case. The question papers of class XII Economics and class X Mathematics exams, scheduled on March 26 and March 28 respectively, were leaked on Whatsapp.

DCP Delhi Crime Branch, Ram Gopal Naik today said that they have solved the Class X paper leak case, reported ANI.

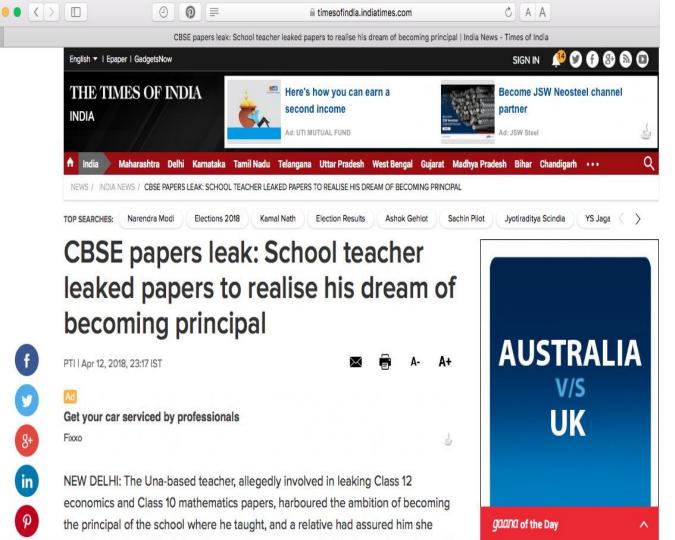
Earlier on April 7, police had arrested three people, including a teacher, clerk and support

staff, from Himachal Pradesh in connection with the leak of Class XII Economics paper.

The investigation in the case revealed that the paper was leaked in handwritten form.

Who is to be blamed....

> System or Individuals???



"What's important is getting ahead ...

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– Confessed cheater

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April 5, 2002 Posted: 1:05 PM EST (1805 GMT)

Student Alice Newhall says academic pressure has made cheating a way to survive high school.

By Kathy Slobogin

Survey: Many students say cheating's OK

Confessed cheater: 'What's important is getting ahead'

CNN

(CNN) -- "Cheating is a shortcut and it's a pretty efficient one in a lot of cases."

That's not exactly the lesson most people want students to be learning in high school, but it's what 17-year-old Alice Newhall, a senior in a top high school in northern Virginia, says she believes. There's growing evidence she's not alone.

 A national survey by Rutgers' Management Education Center of 4,500 high school students found that 75
 percent of them engage in serious cheating.

More than half have plagiarized work they found on the Internet.

Perhaps most disturbing, many of them don't see anything wrong with cheating: Some 50 percent of those responding to the survey said they don't think copying questions and answers from a test is even cheating.

Newhall, a B student at George Mason High School, says students have very little sense of moral outrage about cheating. For many, she says, the pressure to do well academically and compete for good colleges has made cheating a way to survive high school.

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LANGUAGE & FINE ARTS / MEDIA Holt: Evaluation Like in the previous case, how would you feel if your choices or actions were front page news?

Discussion



What are the benefits, if any, of cheating or any other unethical practice?

What are the risks of being involved in any unethical practice?



Does an unethical act by one person harm many others too? How?



Who has the 'responsibility' for maintaining ethics in you?

You are appearing for your Board exams. Your classmate tells you that he knows people who will try and access the question papers of two subjects for him much before the board exams. He offers the papers to you at a price. He says that he has ensured all security, and nobody will come to know.

You are not very good at those subjects. If you get these papers, you will surely do well, and get admission in the College of your choice. If not, you may not get that admission.

You are appearing for your Board exams. You take coaching for a particular subject that you are not very comfortable with. Your parents have spent a substantial amount on your coaching, even though they can not afford it. However, despite the coaching you are not confident that you will do well in the subject.

On the day of the exams for that subject, just an hour or two before, your coach calls you up and tells you to reach his place as he has access to the actual question papers, and he could prepare you enough within an hour to ensure you do very well in that subject.

You have just appeared for the first paper of your Board exams. You have three days to prepare for the next one. Your friend calls up excitedly to inform you about a YouTube link on which the question paper of your next exams has purportedly been leaked.

He informs you that your group of friends are meeting at his place in the evening to solve the paper and to be better prepared for the exams.

He informs you that since it is on social media, and he did not ask or pay for it, there is no unfair means involved in doing this.

You are sitting in the examination hall taking the exams of the subject that you feel is rather difficult. Your friend knows about your feelings for this subject. When he sees the QP he realizes you will need help. He writes answers on his handkerchief and tries to grab your attention and pass it on to you.

CHEATING

Cheating is a crime under law

□ Section 420 in The Indian Penal Code

—Whoever cheats and thereby dishonestly induces the person deceived to deliver any property to any person, or to make, alter or destroy the whole or any part of a valuable security, or anything which is signed or sealed, and which is capable of being converted into a valuable security, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to seven years, and shall also be liable to fine.

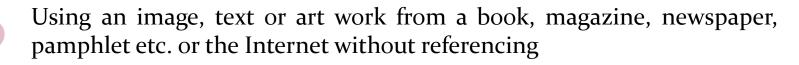
Cheating takes various forms A few examples

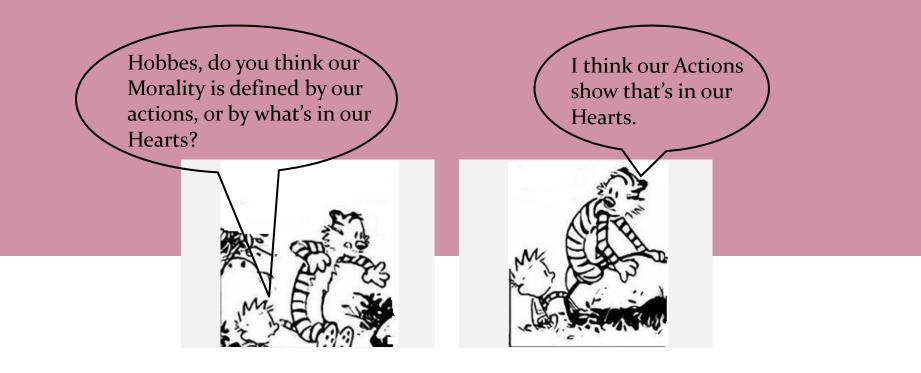
- Music/Movie downloaded from the Internet or off a peer sharing site without paying for it
 - Using mobile phones to text message answers, back and forth, take pictures of test, save notes/cheat sheets digitally
- - Using an online translator to translate work into another language and turning it in as one's own writing in a different language



Using calculator memories to store notes/cheat sheets

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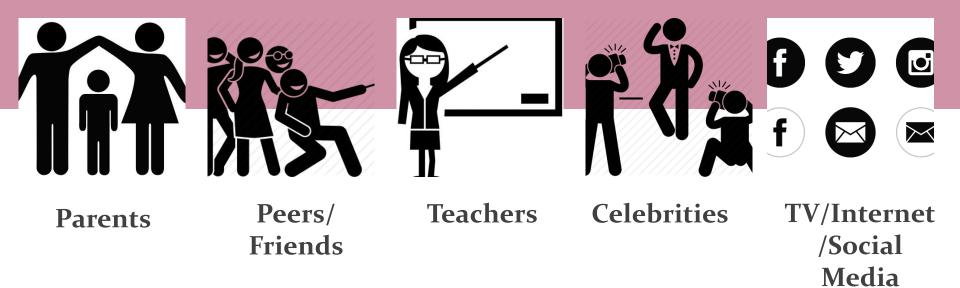




Calvin and Hobbes

What/Who has the most potential to create a positive effect on a Student's Ethical Standards?

Highly Influential



Role Models

Teachers/Elders

- Learn from the ethical examples they set.
- If you pick this up in you r formative years it will b ecome a part of your life

Peers

Someone hard working, creative and free thinking, easily becomes a peer role model.



Poor Role Models

A school teacher asked a little boy what his father did for a living.

The boy replied,

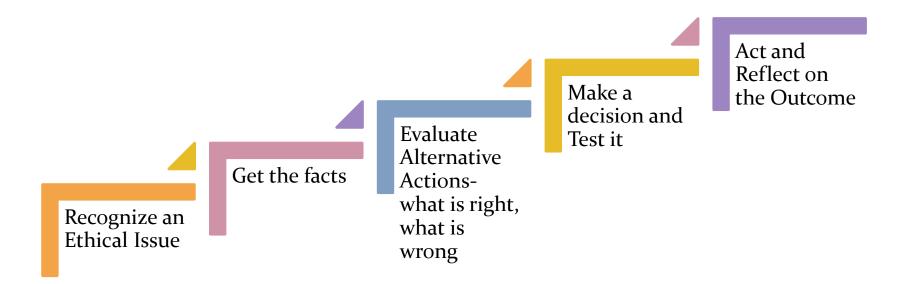
"I'm not sure, but I guess he makes pens, pencils, light bulbs, toilet rolls, etc., because that is what he brings home every day in his lunch box."

• Youths are impressionable.

When they see their mentors--such as parents, teachers or political leaders-cheating with pride or bragging about petty dishonesty such as stealing a towel in a hotel or cutlery from the restaurants, the following happens:

- They are disappointed.
- They lose respect for their mentors.
- Constant exposure breeds acceptance in them.

5 Steps to Ethical Decision Making



Discussion.....ethical dilemmas

You are India's most famous cricketer. You are offered Rupees 20 crores endorsement amount to promote a product that you dislike and will never use yourself. You are also aware it is bad for the environment.

Will you endorse it?

Discussion.....ethical dilemmas

You are participating in the CBSE sports meet. You have just crossed your age category one week back. However, you know that you are no match to the new age category in which you belong. You are really passionate about your sport and have been doing extremely well at it. A person who matters offers to hide your date of birth to give you advantage.

Discussion.....ethical dilemmas

You are backing your car into a tight parking space in the Mall. You accidentally scrape the neighbouring car parked there. You don't know whose car it is, nobody saw you make this mistake, and there are no CCTV cameras there.

In the previous case, will you leave a note giving your name and contact details, taking responsibility and offering to take care of the damage?

Conflicts/Issues faced by Students

Which lead to unethical practices/acts

Stage	Issues to be Handled	Response
Pre Examinati on Stage	Anxiety created by peers when they share they have completed their syllabus	Such dilemmas which are due to anxiety should be solved with calmness and faith in oneself. Positive reinforcement/counselling helps a lot in such cases.
	Low Confidence levels	This needs positive self-talks/Pep-talks. Do not hesitate to take support from parents and teachers.
	Urge to adopt unfair means and Peer connivance to seek help through unsolicited means and modes	Relate the act with the consequence that one might face. Proper counselling and intervention required and must be sought. Counselling by school.

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Stage	Issues to be Handled	Response
Examinati on Stage	Cheating and hunting for help	May lead to expulsion and debarment.
	Urge to garner support from invigilators by bribing them	Need to value and respect the sanctity of examinations. Focus on preparation for exam instead of wasting time in such pursuits.
	Impersonation	Awareness building required around the fact that it may lead to serious legal consequences, including imprisonment

Conflicts/Issues faced by Students

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Stage	Issues to be Handled	Response
Post Examinati on Stage	Making request/using influence to increase the marks	Need to understand and respect the sanctity of the exam. It can be turned into a case of UFM.
	Tracking of answer sheets by bribing the officials	Will lead to serious issue on getting caught. People may fool by robbing off the money.
	Influencing results by power of might	Can result in legal implications.

Calvin and Hobbes

Today at school, I tried to decide whether to cheat on my test or not.

Of course, most everybody Cheats some time or other. People always bend the Rules if they think they can get away with it...Then again, that doesn't justify **My** Cheating. Then I thought, Look, Cheating on one little Test is not such a big deal. It doesn't hurt any one....But then I wonde red if I was just rationa lizing my unwillingness to accept the consequen ce of not studying.

I wondered, is it better to do the Right thing and fail... or is it better to do the wrong thing and succeed.



So

did

decide?

what

you

Still, in the real world, people care about success, not principles...Then a gain, maybe that's why the world is in such a mess. What a Dilemma! On the one hand, undeserved success gives no satisfaction. ... But on the other hand, well deserved failure gives no satisfaction either.

> Anymore, simply a cknowled ging the issue is a moral victory.

Well, it just seemed wrong to cheat on an Ethics Test.

Nothing, I ran out of time and I had to turn in a Blank Paper

How to Deal with Exam Stress



Believe in Yourself

- Work Hard, Stay Focused with positive energy
- Believe in yourself and have the confidence to succeed



Get Organized

 Make a list of everything you need to study & create a schedule



Make Sleep a Priority

 A good sleep of between 7-9 hours every night helps to have a relaxed and well rested mind and body



Overcome Problems

• Take action to address the problems directly

How to Deal with Exam Stress



Exercise Daily

20 minutes physical activity a day can help to improve focus and keep you relaxed



Eat Right

Eat 3 healthy meals a day & have power foods for the brain like nuts, etc.



Talk about your nervousness

Nervousness is a natural reaction to exams, don't bottle it. Talk to your friends & family about your feelings



Keep Things in Perspective

The exams might seem like the most crucial thing at present but in the larger picture of your life they are just a small thing.

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Centralized Toll Free Access in India

Students have the facility to dial a toll free number **1800-11-8002** from any part of the country to get centralized access to CBSE helpline. If you come across anyone around you practicing or engaging in unethical practice related to exam question papers, you can report/share about it to the following in the given order. This will help us to initiate appropriate action.

Please contact				
Parents	Will inform Board Authorities			
Class Teacher				
School Principal				
Tele-counsellor				
Regional Officer				
Controller of Examination	Will initiate appropriate action			
Secretary				
Chairperson				

REMEMBER

• Cheating/adopting unfair means in exams is unethical

 \circ UFM will be caught

- Action is always taken by the Board against student found indulging in UFM
- \circ Report card will also have the word "UFM" printed on it
- \circ You may lose a year if you are a case of UFM
- Social media always leaves a trail and it is possible to catch culprits using it for UFM
- You alone will be responsible for spoiling your future if you indulge or support any UFM
- Avoid sensationalizing on the public domain as it leads to rumour mongering and panic
- $\circ\,$ Ethics is the cornerstone of progress

"I hope you live a life you're proud of. If you find that you are not, I hope you have the strength to start all over again"

-F. Scott Fitzgerald



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