

Outline

- I. Introduction
- II. Values Clarification
- III. Communication: Listening/Hearing; Perceptions
- IV. Scenarios: Small Group
- V. Summing Up

Who Am I?

1. What do you find satisfying/enjoyable? Only after you identify what is meaningful and gratifying will you be able to consciously seek involvement in activities that will make your life fulfilling and avoid activities that are meaningless or stifling.
2. What is your moral code? One possible code is to attempt to fulfill your needs and do what you find enjoyable without depriving others of the ability to fulfill this needs.
3. What kind of image do you want to project to others? Your image consists of your dressing style and grooming habits, emotions, personality, degree of assertiveness, capacity to communicate, material possessions, moral code, physical features, voice patterns.
4. What do you enjoy doing in your leisure time?
5. Do you desire to improve the quality of your life and that of others? In what ways? How do you hope to achieve these goals?
6. What type of people do you enjoy being with? Why?
7. What kind of a relationship do you want to have with your relatives, friends, neighbors, and people you meet for the first time?
8. What are your thoughts about death and dying?
9. What drew you to work with abused and neglected children and their families? How do you describe your contribution to this field of practice?
10. What gives you strength for the work you have chosen to do? Where do you turn for refreshing?

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Vignettes

What three questions are important to ask in the following vignettes?

1. What are the ethical issues raised?
 2. What other information do you need for good decision making?
 3. What is/are the ethical ways to handle the situation?
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1. You are a child protection worker working with Rachel, age 23, and her children, ages 3 and 6mos. Rachel's boyfriend, Ben, has been living with the family for 3 months, and has become physically abusive. Concerned about the safety of the children, a neighbor called the Child Abuse Hotline, and you are here to investigate. Rachel tells you she loves Ben and doesn't want to leave him. How do you respond?
 2. You are a domestic violence advocate working with Mary, who has been abused by her husband. You have accompanied her to court numerous times over the last several months to file orders of protection, as well as provided support during criminal proceedings. You have great concerns for her safety, as the safety of their eight year old son. Mary comes to you and tells you she wants to visit the prosecutor's office to drop the charges pending against her husband. How do you respond?
 3. You receive a call from a woman who says that she is terrified for her daughter, age 20, who is being abused by her boyfriend, age 24. After a few minutes of talking to the woman, she asks you to call her daughter to "talk some sense into her." How do you respond?
 4. You are a marriage counselor. After meeting with a couple two or three times, you receive a call from the wife telling you that her husband has been abusive for years, and asks you to help. What do you do?
 5. You have been counseling a woman who is a victim of domestic violence. She tells you that last night her partner physically assaulted one of their children. She begs you not to report the assault to the Child Abuse Hotline.