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In this remarkably accessible, concise, and engaging introduction to moral philosophy, Steven M. Cahn brings together a rich, balanced, and wide-ranging collection of fifty-two readings on ethical theory and contemporary moral issues. He has carefully edited all the articles to ensure that they will be exceptionally clear and understandable to undergraduate students. The selections are organized into three parts--Challenges to Morality, Moral Theories, and Moral Problems--providing instructors with flexibility in designing and teaching a variety of ethics courses. Each reading is followed by study questions. The fifth edition features twelve new articles and unparalleled representation of women philosophers, with nearly half of the essays authored or coauthored by women. A password-protected Instructor's Manual is available on the book's Ancillary Resource Center. Visit the book's free, open-access Companion Website for additional student and instructor resources. Clear and concise, this brief text is designed to assist introductory philosophy students who have no prior experience in writing philosophy papers. Contents include topic selection, outlines, drafts, proper and improper quotation, argument development and evaluation, principles of good writing, style, criteria for grading student papers, and a review of common grammatical and dictional errors. In addition, the book devotes several chapters to basic concepts in logic, which have proven invaluable for philosophy students in the course of critically considering and writing about the ideas and arguments they encounter. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

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Now revised and updated, this introduction to decision theory is both accessible and comprehensive, covering topics including decision making under ignorance and risk, the foundations of utility theory, the debate over subjective and objective probability, Bayesianism, causal decision theory, game theory, and social choice theory. No mathematical skills are assumed, with all concepts and results explained in non-technical and intuitive as well as more formal ways. There are now over 140 exercises with solutions, along with a glossary of key terms and concepts. This second edition includes a new chapter on risk aversion as well as updated discussions of numerous central ideas, including Newcomb's problem, prisoner's dilemmas, and Arrow's impossibility theorem. The book will appeal particularly to philosophy students but also to readers in a range of disciplines, from computer science and psychology to economics and political science.

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This collection of paradoxes and philosophical questions provides a morality barometer that, based on readers' responses, will test their preconceived notions and make them reconsider their philosophical outlooks.

A Concise Introduction to Ethics is an abbreviated and simplified version of Russ Shafer-Landau's best-selling textbook/primer on ethical theory for the introduction to ethics and introduction to contemporary moral issues courses, *The Fundamentals of Ethics*. For many philosophy departments these ethics courses are their largest enrollment offerings, often fulfilling a university general education requirement. Shafer-Landau's *The Fundamentals of Ethics* has been the #1 selling ethics textbook for years primarily because it provides students with the clearest and most accessible explanations of ethical theories available. It is relatively brief, and yet quite comprehensive, covering more theories than the competing texts do but also presenting them in the most understandable way--the author has a direct conversation with the students. This book will be about 1/3 shorter than *The Fundamentals of Ethics*, while still maintaining its content advantage over competing books by including several areas of theory that others omit, including the good life (value theory), natural law, and prima facie duties. A Concise Introduction to Ethics will be based on the first part of Shafer-Landau's new OUP hybrid textbook/reader *Living Ethics*. The end of each chapter features several cases and discussion questions so students get opportunities to apply ethical theories to real-world moral issues and problems. Like its parent book, this volume can be paired with Shafer-Landau's reader *The Ethical Life*, which includes key reading selections from ethical theory and essays on contemporary moral problems. It can also accompany any reader on ethics or contemporary moral issues.

This collection of classic and contemporary readings in ethics presents sharp, competing views on a wide range of fundamentally important topics: moral relativism and objectivism, ethical egoism, value theory, utilitarianism, deontological ethics, virtue ethics, ethics and religion, and applied ethics. The Fourth Edition dramatically increases the volume's utility by expanding and updating the selections and introductions while retaining the structure that has made previous editions so successful.

In *The Fundamentals of Ethics*, author Russ Shafer-Landau employs a uniquely engaging writing style to introduce students to the essential ideas of moral philosophy. Offering more comprehensive coverage of the good life, normative ethics, and metaethics than any other text of its kind, this book also addresses issues that are often omitted from other texts, such as the doctrine of doing and allowing, the doctrine of double effect, ethical particularism, the desire-satisfaction theory of well-being, and moral error theory. Shafer-Landau carefully reconstructs and analyzes dozens of arguments in depth, at a level that is understandable to students with no prior philosophical background. Ideal for courses in introductory ethics and contemporary moral problems, this book can be used as a stand-alone text or with the author's companion reader, *The Ethical Life: Fundamental Readings in Ethics and Moral Problems*, which offers original readings exploring the topics covered in *The Fundamentals of Ethics*.

Brief yet thorough and affordably priced, *The Ethical Life: Fundamental Readings in Ethics and Moral Problems* is ideal for courses in introductory ethics and contemporary moral problems. Featuring thirty-nine readings divided into four parts--Value Theory, Normative Ethics, Metaethics, and Moral Problems--it introduces students to ethical theory and a wide range of moral issues. The essays include selections from such historically influential philosophers as Aristotle, Hume, Kant, and Mill alongside work by contemporary philosophers like Philippa Foot, Robert Nozick, Peter Singer, and Judith Jarvis Thomson. Detailed section and

reading introductions provide helpful contextual information. Designed as a companion reader to Russ Shafer-Landau's textbook, *The Fundamentals of Ethics*, *The Ethical Life* is also comprehensive enough to be used on its own. The book is enhanced by an Instructor's Manual and Testbank on CD and a Companion Website for students and instructors.

The most accessible and practical introduction to ethical theory, moral issues, and moral reasoning. *Doing Ethics* emphasizes that moral decision-making is an active process--something one does. It provides students with the theoretical and logical tools that a morally mature person must bring to that process, and it offers an abundance of readings and case studies for consideration and discussion. Real-world relevance and practical pedagogy have made *Doing Ethics* a leading book in the field.

Metaethics is concerned to answer second-order non-moral questions about the semantics, metaphysics, and epistemology of moral thought and discourse and is often traced to G.E. Moore work. These essays represent the most up to date work in the field, after and in some cases directly inspired by Moore.

Ideal for students with little or no background in philosophy, *Ethical Choices: An Introduction to Moral Philosophy with Cases*, Second Edition, provides a concise, balanced, and highly accessible introduction to ethics. Featuring an especially lucid and engaging writing style, the text surveys a wide range of ethical theories and perspectives including consequentialist ethics, deontological ethics, natural and virtue ethics, the ethics of care, and ethics and religion. Each chapter includes compelling case studies that are carefully matched with the theoretical material. Many of these cases address issues that students can relate directly to their own lives: the drinking age, student credit card debt, zero tolerance policies, grade inflation, and video games. Other cases discuss current topics like living wills, obesity, human trafficking, torture "lite," universal health care, and just-war theory. The cases provide students with practice in addressing real-life moral choices, as well as opportunities to evaluate the usefulness and applicability of each ethical theory. Every case study concludes with a set of "Thought Questions" to guide students as they reflect upon the issues raised by that case.

Since the advent of democracy in 1994, there has been widespread concern over the disintegration of the moral fabric of South African society – amongst politicians, business leaders, community leaders and religious leaders alike. Many have recognised the need to build the moral and religious foundations of society, and have encouraged contributions towards the moral regeneration movement.

Bioethics: Principles, Issues, and Cases, Fourth Edition, explores the philosophical, medical, social, and legal aspects of key bioethical issues. Opening with a thorough introduction to ethics, bioethics, and moral reasoning, it then covers influential moral theories and the criteria for evaluating them. Integrating eighty-seven readings--ten of them new to this edition--substantive introductions to each issue, numerous classic bioethical cases, and abundant pedagogical tools, this text addresses the most provocative and controversial topics in bioethics.

A Concise Introduction to Ethics offers a condensed and exceptionally well-written introduction to the essential moral theories. Based on Russ Shafer-Landau's best-selling primer on ethical theory, *The Fundamentals of Ethics*, this briefer volume retains the

longer one's content advantage over competing books by addressing issues that other texts omit, including the good life (value theory), natural law, and prima facie duties. It also incorporates discussion questions and case studies at the end of each chapter, giving students the opportunity to apply ethical theories to real-world moral problems. A perfect companion to Shafer-Landau's anthology, *The Ethical Life*, this volume's compact size and low price make *A Concise Introduction to Ethics* an ideal complement to any course where it is important that students understand moral theories.

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ETHICS: A PLURALISTIC APPROACH TO MORAL THEORY, FIFTH EDITION provides a comprehensive yet clear introduction to the main traditions in ethical thought, including virtue ethics, utilitarianism, and deontology. Additionally, the book presents a conceptual framework of ethical pluralism to help students understand the relationship among various theories. Lawrence Hinman, one of today's most respected and accomplished educators in ethics and philosophy education, presents a text that gives students plentiful opportunities to explore ethical theory and their own responses to them, using fascinating features such as the Ethical Inventory sections that appear at the beginning and the end of the text. End-of-chapter discussion questions, and the use of current issues and movies help students retain what they've learned and truly comprehend the subject matter. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Ethical Theory: An Anthology is an authoritative collection of key essays by top scholars in the field, addressing core issues including consequentialism, deontology, and virtue ethics, as well as traditionally underrepresented topics such as moral knowledge and moral responsibility. Brings together seventy-six classic and contemporary pieces by renowned philosophers, from classic writing by Hume and Kant to contemporary writing by Derek Parfit, Susan Wolf, and Judith Jarvis Thomson Guides students through key areas in the field, among them consequentialism, deontology, contractarianism, and virtue ethics Includes coverage of metaethics, normative ethics, and practical ethics Reaches beyond traditional texts by also including important, but usually underrepresented, topics such as moral knowledge, moral standing, moral responsibility, and ethical particularism Raises questions about the status and rational authority of morality

Ideal for introductory ethics or contemporary moral issues courses, *College Ethics: A Reader on Moral Issues That Affect You, Second Edition*, is a collection of brief, engaging, and accessible readings on issues that directly affect--and matter to--today's college students.

This collection of primary source materials covering the major themes of moral philosophy features forty-two classical and contemporary readings divided into four parts--The Good Life, Normative Ethics, Metaethics, and Moral Problems. Comprehensive yet concise, it introduces students to ethical theory and a wide range of moral issues.

Living Ethics: An Introduction with Readings is an ideal all-in-one resource for courses in introduction to ethics and contemporary moral problems. In this hybrid textbook/reader, Russ Shafer-Landau brings moral theory and contemporary moral issues to life with a comprehensive and balanced set of readings, uniquely engaging explanations, and clear analysis of arguments. The book

balances coverage of moral reasoning (in Part 1) with highly relevant contemporary moral problems (in Part 2).

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Moral Realism is a systematic defence of the idea that there are objective moral standards. In the tradition of Plato and G. E. Moore, Russ Shafer-Landau argues that there are moral principles that are true independently of what anyone, anywhere, happens to think of them. These principles are a fundamental aspect of reality, just as much as those that govern mathematics or the natural world. They may be true regardless of our ability to grasp them, and their truth is not a matter of their being ratified from any ideal standpoint, nor of being the object of actual or hypothetical consensus, nor of being an expression of our rational nature. Shafer-Landau accepts Plato's and Moore's contention that moral truths are sui generis. He rejects the currently popular efforts to conceive of ethics as a kind of science, and insists that moral truths and properties occupy a distinctive area in our ontology. Unlike scientific truths, the fundamental moral principles are knowable a priori. And unlike mathematical truths, they are essentially normative: intrinsically action-guiding, and supplying a justification for all who follow their counsel. Moral Realism is the first comprehensive treatise defending non-naturalistic moral realism in over a generation. It ranges over all of the central issues in contemporary metaethics, and will be an important source of discussion for philosophers and their students interested in issues concerning the foundations of ethics.

Two schools of thought have long dominated libertarian discussions about ethics: utilitarianism and natural rights. Those two theories are important, but they're not the only ways people think about ethics and political philosophy. In *Arguments for Liberty*, you'll find a broader approach to libertarianism. In each of *Arguments for Liberty's* nine chapters a different political philosopher discusses how his or her preferred school of thought judges political institutions and why libertarianism best meets that standard. Though they end up in the same place, the paths they take diverge in fascinating ways. Readers will find in these pages not only an excellent introduction to libertarianism, but also a primer on some of the most important political and ethical theories. Assuming little or no training in academic philosophy, the essays guide readers through a continuous moral conversation spanning centuries and continents, from Aristotle in ancient Athens to twentieth-century philosopher John Rawls in the halls of Harvard. What's the best political system? What standards should we use to decide, and why? *Arguments for Liberty* is a guide to thinking about these questions. It's also a powerful, nine-fold argument for the goodness and importance of human liberty.

A Practical Companion to Ethics is a concise and accessible introduction to the basic attitudes and skills that make ethics work, like thinking for oneself, creative and integrative problem solving, and keeping an open mind. This unique volume illuminates the

broad kinds of practical intelligence required in moral judgement, complementing the narrower theoretical considerations that often dominate ethics courses, It offers practical instruction in problem-solving by demonstrating how to frame an ethical problem and deal constructively with ethical disagreements. This book also presents ethics as an ongoing learning experience, engaging us ever more deeply in the complexities of real lives and the world's own hidden possibilities. The third edition features two extensively rewritten chapters as well as a more detailed appendix on how to write an ethics paper.

Ideal for introductory ethics courses, this text brings together an extensive and varied collection of ninety-one classical and contemporary readings on ethical theory and practice. Integrating literature with philosophy in an innovative way, this unique anthology uses literary works to enliven and make concrete the ethical theory or applied issues addressed.

The Twelfth Edition of this best-selling, topically organized anthology provides a superb balance of historical selections and recent material. This new edition features more readings than ever before--79 total--all, where necessary, in the finest translations available. The readings complement each other and naturally build on the topic being covered. Clear, concise introductions to each Part provide just enough guidance to let students learn from experiencing the readings themselves. The text's long-heralded selection of readings covers topics such as reason and religious belief, human knowledge, mind and its place in nature, determinism, free will and responsibility, and morality and its critics in five parts with careful attention to opposing points of view. A primer in ethics, *The Good Life* explores the ultimate aims in living as proposed throughout philosophic history. Burton Porter examines the relation between ethics and science, religion, and psychology, as well as the challenges of relativism and determinism. Through the theories of hedonism, self-realization, naturalism, evolutionism, the ethic of duty, religious systems, virtue ethics, and existentialism, this book introduces the foundations of ethical thought.

Ethics: The Fundamentals explores core ideas and arguments in moral theory by introducing students to different philosophical approaches to ethics, including virtue ethics, Kantian ethics, divine command theory, and feminist ethics. The first volume in the new *Fundamentals of Philosophy* series. Presents lively, real-world examples and thoughtful discussion of key moral philosophers and their ideas. Constitutes an excellent resource for readers coming to the subject of ethics for the first time.

In a lively and easy-to-navigate, question-and-answer format, *Food Politics* carefully examines and explains the most important issues on today's global food landscape.

This well-rounded approach to the basics of mathematics is a surefire way to strengthen your current knowledge or to gain new skills for more deftly and confidently approaching and dealing with math. Professor Sellers reveals the secrets behind all the key math topics you need to know. In 24 lectures packed with helpful examples, practice problems, and guided walk-throughs, you'll finally grasp the all-important fundamentals of math in a way that truly sticks.

"Nicely conceived, very clearly written. . . . A high level of philosophic substance and sophistication." --David M. Mowry, SUNY at Plattsburgh

The most accessible, practical, and affordable introduction to ethical theory and moral reasoning.

A substantial collection of seminal articles, *Foundations of Ethics* covers all of the major issues in metaethics. Covers all of the major issues in metaethics including moral metaphysics, epistemology, moral psychology, and philosophy of language. Provides an unparalleled offering of

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primary sources and expert commentary for students of ethical theory. Includes seminal essays by ethicists such as G.E. Moore, Simon Blackburn, Gilbert Harman, Christine Korsgaard, Michael Smith, Bernard Williams, Jonathan Dancy, and many other leading figures of ethical theory.

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