

Candidate 7 – Morality and justice (Question 14)

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14	<p>One purpose of punishment is retribution, this is the punishment of revenge, if a criminal does wrong then they need to feel the consequences of their actions.</p> <p>A benefit of using retribution as a purpose of punishment is that if revenge is inflicted on the criminal it could make the victim or the the victim's family feel justice has been rest restored.</p> <p>A moral issue of retribution could be that if revenge is inflicted on the criminal, the criminal could then try and inflict revenge on the victim, again. This meaning that it ^{creates} a vicious cycle that only has bad consequences for both parties.</p> <p>It could also be argued that retribution isn't as morally acceptable as other purposes of punishment as two wrongs don't make a right, as the er m</p>	

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	<p>the long run to more pain will be inflicted. Also, if the criminal keeps trying to seek revenge as a consequence of their punishment they might not be able to move on with their life and learn from their mistakes. Furthermore, if they are any angered it could cause them to commit another crime, which will put society in more danger. I think that retribution is not as morally acceptable as any other purposes of punishment as it can cause a cycle of revenge and pain^{pain}, not allowing anyone to get over the crime, which will just cause more negativity. However, it could be argued ^{the quote} that retribution, "eye for an eye, tooth for a tooth." (Exodus 21:24-25) This meaning that it is</p>	

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	only morally right to hurt someone back	
	who hurt you, as it is only justice.	
	Protection	
	Protection is the purpose of punishment	
	when a criminal is locked up sent	
	to prison in order for society to be	
	protected from them committing further crime.	
	A benefit of protection is that it	
	means society won't have to live in fear	
	of a certain criminal in harming them	
	for their family. A moral issue of	
	protection could be that although if	
	society is safe from the criminal, is the	
	criminal safe from themselves. This meaning	
	that the criminal might not be getting	
	the help that they need to stay crime	
	free when they leave prison. This could	
	lead to the criminal re-offending when	

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	<p> they leave, meaning eventually society won't be protected from them. Another moral issue for protection could be that protection is only works for as long as the prisoner is locked up. An implication of this is that if a criminal is only in prison for a short period of time it might not be long enough for the criminal to learn their lesson and then return to crime once they are released. Also, it could be argued argued the criminal being locked up for even even, if it was a short amount of time as they could not get over over their negative feelings which could cause them to re-commit after prison. I believe that protection is more morally acceptable than the retribution as the the criminal is locked up and </p>	

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	there is no intention of revenge inflicted on the criminal	
	Reformation	
	Another purpose of punishment is reformation, this means that the criminal is locked away and that they have a chance to reform themselves and later re-enter society as a new person. A benefit of reformation is that it allows the criminal to learn from their mistakes and become a better person that will lead a new life. Re While in prison as some criminals can be offered programmes that can teach them a new skill or go get help with an issue that they have, such as anger management or alcohol addiction. This at could mean after the criminal has left prison they can instead of returning to	

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	<p>to crime, they can get a job with the new skill they have learned, which will give them a second chance at life. Also, if a criminal gets help with any issues they have, when released they will be able to use the coping mechanisms they have learned to ensure they stay sober and positive, and crime free. I think reformation is more morally acceptable than retribution as reformation allows a criminal to have a second chance of life and learn skills that could benefit society, instead of a cycle of revenge which could is negative and not beneficial for society. However, a weakness to reformation is that if reformation is used on a criminal and it doesn't work that means time, effort and money has been been wasted on someone</p>	

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	that could of been used on antehr that	
	could of returned.	

* this can be an example of a person that did already commit this crime and got caught and charged!

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Deterrence is a purpose of punishment, this means that a deterrence is set in place to try and put off others committing a crime. A benefit of ~~putting~~^{using} a deterrence is that it could enter a criminal's mind just before they commit the crime and let them think of the consequences ~~them~~ their actions might have. A moral issue with deterrence is that the person who is used as a ~~dett~~ deterrence their individual circumstances haven't been taken into consideration and that it could harm them. An implication of this is