

# **What is fairness?**

## **Introduction**

In my opinion fairness is making judgements and statements that are free from discrimination (not judging). Shall we dig a little deeper toward fairness? Fairness is where everything is equal between the people/groups, and everybody is pleased with the decision they have come upon.

Fairness is also about being heard and not judged by others because everyone's ideas should be heard and are important in their own ways. If everybody's voices were heard and should be because of our 'Human rights' imagine how fantastic the world would be!

Another point is to treat people how you would want to be treated. This means to help people when they need it and always think about and be kind to others. If you are mean to them, then you can expect the same behaviours towards you.

Some of the main things people discriminate against are money, looks, gender, race and the way we sound. It is very disappointing and sad the things some people will do to fit into the beauty standards and they don't understand how beautiful they are inside and out. Individuals also may judge people for the amount of money themselves and their family own. This is so unfair for the people who constantly are judged by people. Being discriminated for all of these reasons and more is very unnecessary and is taken to heart.

In this essay I am going to show you how fairness should be applied in different real-life situations. By the end of this essay, you will understand what fairness really means.

## **Human Rights**

One of the key points that I will be writing about today is 'Human Rights'. Human rights which are the basic rights and freedoms that everyone has from birth to death, are very crucial in everyone's lives to protect them from physical and mental harm. Everybody has the right to a life, freedom and safety. If anybody had to experience anything other than a safe and liberate life this would be very concerning. In my opinion the top three most important human rights are: Privacy, no one has the right to torture you and everyone has the right to an education.

Privacy is very important this is because if someone interferes with your privacy it could damage your reputation, home or your family. Torture is very wrong, this can damage people inside and out. 'No one has the right to torture you' this is also a very serious

matter, nobody should be put through torture just because of their age, race, gender or anything else. Education is also key, ensuring everybody has potential and it grows as you learn. Education also helps you grow your experience and get a large range of jobs. I think every human right is important but these I have given more detail about are my top three human rights.

Many countries such as Australia, France, Pakistan and the UK have signed up to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which means they believe in equal rights for all rather than inequality.

### **Unfair Pay**

Another item I will be covering in this essay is unfair pay and the difference between deservedness and need with wages. An example of this is the difference between a CEO's wages and a plantation workers wages in the business Chiquita Bananas. The CEO earns forty million pounds per year meanwhile the plantation workers earn one thousand and sixty-eight pounds per year (minimum). I think the difference in what they earn is appalling they both work very hard and if anything the plantation employers work harder. Both of these people most likely have families to feed but do you think one thousand and sixty-eight pounds a year is going to feed a family?

Fairness, this is definitely not present in sporting events today for example football. Women get paid a fraction of what men get paid. Female football players play in smaller stadiums, sadly they hear sexist comments and are targets of abuse. My understanding is that females in sport train and work just as hard as their male counterparts. They have the same gruelling schedule and spend Christmas away from families to train, so why, because of their gender are they treated unfairly and paid a lot less.

I would like to think in the year 2025 that all sports personalities are treated as equal. Female football players do not get many games put on the television, there are not many commentators talking about the female sport. Comments are made about these women such as – they are just girls, I don't want to watch women play a men's game. Nobody has the right to make these comments and behave this way, towards anyone, especially not just because of their gender (women or men).

### **Equality**

I think being treated fairly is very important, but this does not mean everyone should be treated equally (the same). Individuals should be treated differently as some people struggle with learning difficulties and would need different things compared to people with a PHD or an OBE. To break it down, not everybody is the same and will need to reach different objectives. For example, Steven Hawking would need certain types of praises, compared to a criminal who would need punishments according to characters and their life choices.

### **Conclusion**

To conclude fairness is about being treated equally but also being treated according to how you behave and treat other people. In this essay I have covered a lot about unfairness and people's Human Rights being affected. This can be because they are different for example their race, gender or wealth even though the main thing is that it matters who you are within. Hopefully from reading this essay you are more educated on fairness within our world today.

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