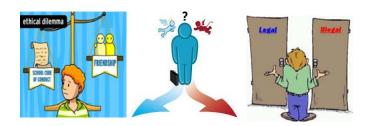
## **Ethical Dilemma**



At the end of the lesson, the student will be able to:

\* discuss the idea on why people encounter ethical dilemma; share any experiences connected to it.





## Read the Dialogue:

Michael: (laughing) Hey James! I just found the key to the stock room.

- Peter: That's great! You're just on time. I'm actually needing a can of white paint to use for my garage.
- Michael: You're not serious, are you? Though we are alone, but I'm afraid someone else might see us.
- Peter: Oh, come on! Don't you worry. This company won't suffer bankruptcy for losing a can of paint! Besides, they can afford buying even a dozen of it. Just think of it as a fringe benefit.
  Michael: But no matter where you look at it, it's still stealing!
  Peter: Not really. We worked for it! Like what I said, fringe benefit.
  Michael: The last time you told me about adding a few hours to compensate your late, I'm still worried that the payroll department will find out somehow.
- Peter: Don't be such a worrywart. There's no way anyone can find out about it. Not until you will! Besides, everyone does it.



## Let's Talk:

1. Who's opinion do you agree more? Justify your answer.

2. If you were in a low paid job, would you feel less guilty about helping yourself to company supplies?

## Activity:

\* Discuss the actions you will make in the following situations:



Your boss told you that one of your co-workers is among the several to be laid off soon. You were told not to tell your coworker yet as he might spread the news which would cause an outrage. Meanwhile, you heard from your co-worker that he's intending to buy a new car and pay for his wife to have a nose job. What should you do?

You work for a Japanese branch of an American multinational. Your manager, who is an American, is always talking down to you and you feel that this is only because you are Japanese. If you complain you will lose your job. However you can't take much more and are about to snap. How should you handle the situation?

You are working part-time job at a bar and at the end of the night, you find a cheap jacket that has been left behind by a costumer. It doesn't seem to belong to a regular customer and when you check the pockets, you find nothing except a plain envelope with \$10000 inside. Your job is not well paid and you could really use the money to pay an urgent debt. What would you do?