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Utilitarianism theory identifies the maximization of happiness where it implies that every action that can increase the happiness of the human being without giving harm to other human or living being is right. It is considered a secular approach, however, it does not goes against religion. On the other hand, ethical covers the revolutionary idea that shows morality and happiness is acceptable. The principles of ethical theories are according to moral and religious teachings. There are various pros and cons of utilitarianism. It explains that any action that results in harm for other person or living thing is wrong. The main aim should be the increase in happiness for the maximum number of people which shows mutual interest rather than increasing self-interest in society. However, it has few cons as well like its rules only focus on humanity rather than religious perspective which indicates the unrealistic perspective for society. In addition, we cannot consider factors other than happiness while deciding about action.

The principle of utility explains that any decision, behavior or action made by a human should rely on pleasure and happiness. If actions turns into pain and unhappiness then it is considered as wrong. For instance, killing someone or using marijuana can also be right it the outcome of the actions result in maximization of happiness or pleasure. Utilitarianism and American society have a great connection for the betterment in society. The principles of utility-focused only on happiness where utilitarianism brought the change in perspective of the people. People who were suffering from the situation of the drug war, this theory identified the flaws of society. Anything that increases your happiness or pleasure can also be wrong if it gives you harm in the long term. In addition, it explains that not only humans have rights but also animals can feel pleasure and pain (BTNTHaM, n.d.).

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