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# Response one

Individuals in societies live according to social patterns or people tend to live according to their lifestyles. Now the matter of concern is that how one should act, and what is good, and how to live a happy life within the patterns of the society. The Ancient Ethical theories state that how an individual should act to live a happy life, and by choosing the appropriate actions. While, the Modern Ethical theories also state that, in what ways an individual must act in society. The Modern Ethical Theory looks into the discussion of what is wrong, and right for an individual living in a society. According to Ancient Ethics, decision-making is based on rationality where the requirement is to look at these decisions very sensitively. The modern theory suggests that rationality is the capacity of an individual to carry out the interpretations with the help of abstract propositions.

# Response two

It is believed that the ethics of a subject is based on the characteristics, rather than on actions. Ethics cannot be limited to the concerns of what is right or wrong but also it guides the subject to be a good person and what behaviors should a subject possesses to be morally and ethically good. Ethics is more concerned about the characteristics of virtues, and a person is considered as good when he/she spends life according to the virtues. If a person possesses good behavior than, that person would be a good human being, because, it is not always about the right and wrong actions which an individual performs. The ethics based on the characteristics of the subjects serve as those triggers, which directs the subject to act accordingly and create an understanding. It is important to follow the patterns, and the obligations being set to the society because it will help an individual to increase the sources for their survival.

# Response three

Virtues and the vices are related to the social behaviors which refer to the moral excellence of the individuals in society. The virtues, and the vices vary with the cultures, and places of the individuals. Virtues are considered to be those behaviors which reflects the higher moral standards of an individuals, and the examples which can be related to the virtues are good deeds like charity, love compassion, etc. These are mostly the good and the positive qualities which people possess, and these are the sources to make life easier by sharing the values, and moral responsibilities. While vices are also the traits of individuals manifested in their actions and these are the bad traits of the individuals which they have. These are the qualities, that attract and repel us towards the bad things happening around us, and they can be witnessed (Rachels & Rachels, 2018).

# Response three

Eudaimonia meant long-lasting happiness, and this is a state, when an individual feels happy for a lifetime, and considers them as the permeant serene. These serene pleasures will subject individuals to act in good and bad ways and these actions depend on the consequences of the actions performed to achieve the goals (Charles, 2017). One of the issues is that, the pleasures do not last for a longer period because the life of individuals is not static, and the responsibilities of individuals also change. They keep on changing with the time frames and vary from culture to culture and nation to nations because individuals cannot live in one state. Another issue with the Eudaimonia is that one cannot be always in a state of attempting the right actions, an individual can act wrong to achieve his/her goals.

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