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Detailed List of New Features

Section 3.5 - The section on same-sex relations now discusses gay marriage, adoption rights, employment rights, Russia's "gay propaganda laws," teenage suicide, and hate crimes.

Section 7.3 - The section on marijuana now dips into the opioid crisis, the origins of the Drug War, the utilitarian rejection of "evil pleasures," the relationship between state law and federal law, and the harms of tobacco and alcohol abuse.

Section 1.5 - Some updates reflect a world that is increasingly online. For example, the importance of finding reliable sources of information is now discussed solely in terms of internet searches.

Section 9.4 - The dilemma in which absolute rules might conflict is now about a situation faced by doctors in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina instead of about Dutch fisherman having to lie during World War II.

Retained Features

Throughout the text changes are:

- Surveys contending ideas, theories, and arguments with the goal of helping newcomers to the field form their own ideas
- Breaks down chapters on major philosophical topics into discrete sections that make each idea digestible
- Each chapter can be read independently of others, giving teachers more flexibility in assigning chapters.
- Uses real-life examples to explore major ideas in philosophy – one example is the discussion of "Baby Theresa" in Ch. 1.

Sample Chapter Recommendation (a revised chapter that highlights the strengths of the new edition:

Chapter 7: The Utilitarian Approach [heavily revised; new material is about marijuana]

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