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Assignment 1, Abstract: Social impact on morality

Google definition of morality is: *Principles concerning the distinction between right and wrong or good and bad behavior*. The answer to question what is right and wrong or good and bad has varied greatly throughout the history, maybe the best example being during the times of inquisition.

Based on researches, it is proven that babies are able to differentiate someone who is helping another person to the one hindering them or in other words, it is natural for human beings to have some kind of morality. In countries affected by Nazism or Fascism most of the population were okay with discrimination. Another example is how most of the US population born a few centuries ago thought that slavery is completely normal yet currently it is unacceptable and immoral. Maybe US was full of immoral people in these times, or the individuals had been deceived by society. It is interesting to see how much people are willing to compromise their moral values in order to fit in and how empathic actually were they.

My conclusion on that topic is that immorality is mostly caused by the lack of empathy while lack of education also plays a big role. In current times society does not have as big of an impact on individual's morals because information is far more accessible to the individual, especially in more developed countries.