

TOK lesson: Reason, Emotion – Belief – conviction – intuition – faith Conscience

Discuss:

- **Is emotion a way-of-knowing independent from culture? Is there anything in it universal to all human cultures?**
pride (country)
family
religion
- **Is emotion related to religion (or vice versa)?**

Complete the following sentences:

I believe....

I don't believe.....

Complete the following sentences:

I believe....

I don't believe.....

I believe that the sun will rise tomorrow.

I believe that freedom is an important value.

I believe in democracy.

I don't believe that money can solve all my problems.

I believe that my parents love me.

I believe in myself.

I don't believe that the death penalty is an appropriate punishment for convicted criminals.

Complete the following sentences:

I believe....

I don't believe.....

Now ask yourself: Which of the Beliefs you just expressed cannot be proved?

Belief – conviction – intuition – faith

Plato's Dialogue Gorgias

(Woolman 2006: 89)

What's the difference between "knowing" and "believing"?

Justification

Conscience

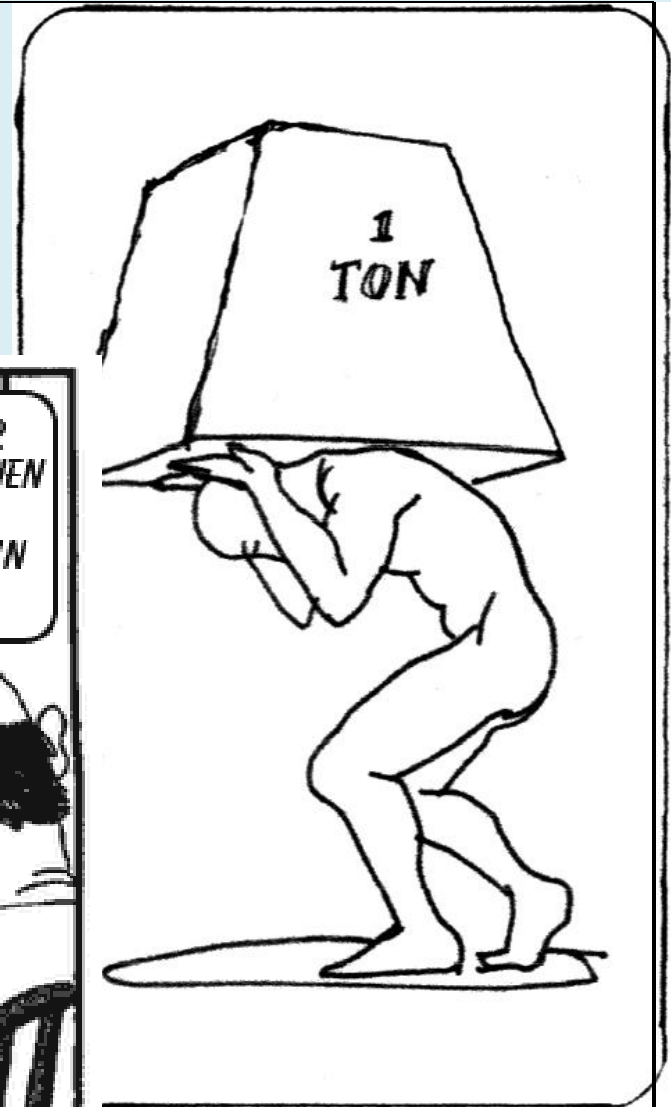
- **What is Conscience?**
- **What does the picture symbolize?**
- **Is conscience a way of knowing?**
- **Is conscience necessarily linked to religion?**



“Conscience”



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Five major religions of the world (Woolman 2006: 107-109)

- **Hinduism**
- **Buddhism**
- **Islam**
- **Christianity**
- **Judaism**