

True or False: Ethical Standards and Confidentiality

Directions: Read the statements below and respond with TRUE or FALSE in the **before** column. When we complete the lesson, respond to the statements again in the **after** column. Compare your two sets of answers.

Before the PowerPoint™ True or False	Statement	After the PowerPoint™ True or False
	Twenty percent of people are removed from their jobs because of a lack of work ethics.	
	Ethics on the job often deal with a code of conduct or a set of principles which only apply to the employee.	
	Ethics are beliefs that an individual or group uses to decide what is proper behavior.	
	Citizenship-based ethic means to engage fellow citizens with the establishment of liberty, justice and dignity for all.	
	The term “professional codes of ethics” refers to the codes developed by professional associations to provide rules and laws for practice by counselors and mental health professionals.	
	Some of the guidelines in the codes of ethics for professionals in the field of Counseling and Mental Health include client relationships, fees and the counseling process.	
	Privileged communication includes laws which protect clients from having confidential communications with their counselors disclosed in a court of law without their permission.	

	<p>In 1984, Kitchener identified five moral principles that are viewed as the cornerstone of our ethical guidelines: autonomy, justice, beneficence, nonmaleficence and fidelity</p>	
	<p>Beneficence reflects the counselor's responsibility to contribute to the welfare of the client. Simply stated it means to do good, to be proactive and also to prevent harm when possible.</p>	
	<p>Clients must be able to trust the counselor and have faith in the therapeutic relationship if growth is to occur.</p>	
	<p>Nonmaleficence is the concept of causing harm to others.</p>	
	<p>Penalties for nonmaleficence can include fines which could range from \$10,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00.</p>	