**Q:** What does "justice" mean?

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**QUICK ANSWER**

Justice is a broad notion that is based on a concept of moral rightness that incorporates varying perspectives on fairness, ethics, rationality, religion and law, according to Wikipedia. In most cases, the idea of justice is divided into two separate categories: social justice and procedural justice. Social justice is generally found in religion and philosophy, while procedural justice is typically associated with the application of laws.

**FULL ANSWER**

Justice is a word that is used synonymously with fairness, according to the Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy. Whether in a courtroom or in the workplace, individuals desire to receive fair treatment. The image of justice is typically depicted wearing a blindfold and holding scales, which are used to weigh both sides of an issue equally. Individuals seek fair and impartial treatment that is not based on skin color, gender or sexual orientation. Justice can help individuals receive equal treatment. However, it is a multifaceted concept with various meanings across cultures. This is the result of different cultures sharing different histories, mythologies and religions. It is important to remember that justice is directly influenced by the ethics and values of each culture. For that reason, it is easy for justice to become an ambiguous concept for individuals from different cultures. Although there a few perspectives of justice that are universal across cultures, there is an inadequate amount to create a narrative of universal justice.