

## Never do anything against conscience, even if the state demands it."

-Albert Einstein

Themes: Ethical responsibility, reflecting, analyzing situations, self-discipline

**Claims:** Always follow your beliefs and what you think is morally right. Don't listen to authority if it goes against your morals.

**Counterclaims:** Obey authority, even if it doesn't feel right to you. Follow the orders of your government, even if it might interfere with your personal morality.

**Essential Question:** Should you ever disobey authority?

**Storytelling:** Talk about a time when you followed your gut instincts to make a decision, even though it went against a rule. How and why did you decide to follow your conscience? Talk about a time when you followed the rules even though you didn't agree with them personally. How and why did you decide to follow the rules?