

Name: _____ Date: _____

FAIR v. EQUAL

Instructions:

1. Read the scenarios and indicate which part is fair v. equal.
2. Add one or two additional scenarios in the same theme. Be sure to indicate which part you believe is fair v. equal.
3. After reading the scenarios, write an in-depth critical thinking reflection about:
 - a. Should life and all situations that occur be fair or equal?
 - b. Why is it that many times life is equal, but not fair? Provide an example.
 - c. Why is it that many times life is fair, but not equal? Provide an example.
 - d. Write a conclusionary persuasive paragraph about what you have learned from this assignment and why it is important to your social, physical, and mental/emotional health
4. **Note:** Your reflection should be at least one page double-spaced.

Scenarios

1. Two people are speeding 85 mph. 1 gets caught and gets a ticket. The other does not. OR Both get the ticket because they were both speeding. Which is fair, which is equal treatment?
2. You go to a party where they are doing drugs. You do not do drugs. The party is raided and EVERYONE is arrested. OR The police drug test each person and only arrest those doing drugs. Which is fair, which is equal treatment?
3. Your friend in class talks to you during a test, but you tell them to leave you alone. The teacher catches you and you both get referrals, zeroes and reported to your parents. OR The teacher discusses it with you and the person who initiated it confesses. They get the zero and referral. Which is fair, which is equal treatment?
4. Zero tolerance for fighting. Someone attacks you and you fight back in self-defense. Both of you get suspended OR the person who initiated the fight gets suspended. Which is fair, which is equal treatment?
5. Two women are trying to get pregnant. Both are happily married and healthy. They would both make great moms. One gets pregnant right away, the other one cannot get pregnant and remains childless. Which is fair, which is equal?
6. Mom and Dad have two children. One is straight A's, does not lie, cheat, curse, etc. The other one is getting D's and F's, gets in trouble regularly, has been caught lying, cursing, etc. They both want to go to a concert on Friday night. The straight A kid has all their homework done and has a chaperone for the concert. The academically challenged kid has many missing assignments, no ride, and has not arranged for a chaperone. Which is fair, which is equal treatment?
7. Three or four kids in class make a ruckus, creating distractions and preventing the class from learning the material for the day. The teacher assigns the day's work as homework because the work needs to be done on time. Which is fair, which is equal treatment?