

**Introduction for Non-Experts in Ethics**  
***Ethics: A Complete Method for Moral Choice***  
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We are born ethicists. We have been called “the valuing animal,” and our most important valuing is in figuring out what is good or bad for us and the rest of nature, that is, in doing ethics. So no one comes to the formal study of ethics without a lot of experience in ethics. In fact no one comes to the formal study of ethics without having some method for thinking about moral questions and problems. *Ethics: A Complete Method for Moral Choice* improves and completes and corrects the way you have been thinking about moral cases. In other words, it makes you more methodical, more efficient, less likely to miss important details, and more aware of areas where you had not been morally sensitive.

The method presented in this book shows you that step one is leaving no relevant question unasked (the hub of the wheel model), and then it shows the many ways we open up to moral truth (the nine spokes of the model). After that we look at the hazards tripping us up on the way to a clear viewing of the case. Once you understand the wheel model and the method it illustrates, all your past experiences can be bathed in clearer light. The whole purpose is to give you what Aristotle called “practical wisdom.”