Kohlberg Chart

This Kohlberg Chart provides a structured overview of Lawrence Kohlberg's stages of moral development, laid out in table format for easy documentation and analysis. This chart is an invaluable tool for educators, psychologists, and researchers interested in exploring the complexities of moral reasoning.

Instructions for use

- Directly input observations, assessment results, or notes related to each stage.

- Use the chart to facilitate discussions on moral reasoning, guide ethical decision-making, or during psychological assessments.

Stage	Level	Description of moral stage	Observations	Application examples
1	Pre-conventional	**Obedience and punishment orientation:** Behavior is influenced by the prospect of punishment.		
2	Pre-conventional	**Self-interest orientation:** Right behavior defined by whatever is in the individual's best interest.		
3	Conventional	**Social conformity orientation:** Good behavior means having good intentions and relationships with others.		

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4	Conventional	**Law and order orientation:** Morality is defined by respecting authority and upholding the law.		
5	Post-conventional	**Social contract orientation:** People follow laws because they believe they are necessary for the welfare of society, but these can be changed if they do not serve the community.		
6	Post-conventional	**Universal ethical principles orientation:** Actions are determined by self-chosen ethical principles that are universal and consistent.		

Download and usage tips

- This chart is particularly useful in classroom settings to enhance students' understanding of moral development.

- In therapeutic or counseling settings, it helps clients reflect on their personal development and moral decision-making processes.

- Researchers can use the chart to categorize and analyze patterns in moral reasoning across different studies or populations.

Reference

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