

Common Sense

An object came crashing down from nowhere, you happen to have a super high level of curiosity, should you go take a look at it? Or should you not? A mule owner is trying to teach some common sense to his mule, despite all efforts the mule just wouldn't respond. So what should he do? The Four Way Rotary Test of course! It can solve all your daily problems to complicate philosophical questions.

For centuries, scholar, philosophers, and what not have been trying to figure out the whole meaning of common sense. Fortunately two millennium ago, the Greek prodigy, Aristotle discovered that common sense is an actual power of inner sensation, as opposed to the external five sense, whereby the various objects of the external senses, color for sight, sound for hearing etc. are united and judged. Such that what one senses by this sense is the substance or existing thing in which the various attributes inhere. For example a sheep is able to sense a wolf, not just from the color of its fur, the sound of its howl, its odor and other sensible attributes. It was not, unlike until later developments, considered to be on the level of rationality, which properly did not exist in the lower animals, but only in man. As confounding as that sound, Is it the TRUTH? Well if you were to observe our planet Earth as an alien, and ask what is the most special facet of the inhabitants of Earth? You'll find that human posses a subconscious command of judgment also known as common sense.

The most famous case of an appeal to common sense was Thomas Paine's pamphlet entitled "Common Sense" in which Paine, urged the Colonist to declare their Independence. To your surprise not once was common sense mentioned in his pamphlet. The reason behind this madness was simple, firstly the book title proclaim that the

message in the book is a plain and self evident truth. If they are self evident truths, why is there a book needed? Thus we ask the question Is it FAIR to ALL concerned? The answer is of course yes, common sense, includes not only common knowledge but also which knowledge should become common. Voltaire the famous French Satirist once said. "Common sense is not so common." He refers that everyone has their own sense of judgment and beliefs. My common sense could completely contradict yours, and vice versa. I remembered when I was younger, one day I made the longest yawn in the history of yawning of course with my mouth covered. My aunt saw that, and was upset, she said, "What is the point of yawning if you cover your mouth!"

Nowadays everyone seems to be complaining about the lack of common sense, the majority of the population has. Yet nobody is doing anything about it, as optimistic I may sound I am fully aware that the world will never be able to have full common sense. I was told of this story a year ago, there was a girl who never paid attention in class, and she was always doing something else when the teacher was teaching. One day they were having an art class, and the little girl was sitting and drawing. The teacher saw that and was fascinated; she asked the girl what are you drawing? I am drawing a picture of God, she replied, but no one knows what God looks like. They will in a minute. Kids always feel like they are fearless, therefore they will give anything a go if they don't know of any of the consequence. Parents must take the responsibility of teaching their kids common sense. You may ask Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER Friendships? Well to most people yes, it would definitely make people less problematic with each other, thus causing less chaos around the world.

The biggest influence on common sense is the environment you're in. Say someone from Africa would have more common sense about the jungle than an average New Yorker like me. And chances are someone from the city will have more intellectual common sense than the guy from Africa, because his environment affected the way he uses his tool which is common sense. A boy turned eighteen, and his father placed four objects on the table, among them are a bottle of wine, a pen, a playboy magazine, and some a hundred dollar bill. If he grabs the liquor, he shall be a liquor dealer, if he grabs the pen he shall be a writer, if he grabs the playboy magazine he'll be a womanizer, and if he grabs the money he'll be a banker. To the father's surprise the son took all four objects, which rendered the father speechless and he finally said a politician you are son. Now if everyone all grew up in the same environment they'd all share the same common sense, therefore we would have a lower amount of those so called, idiots. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned? Of course it will be beneficial, a world with more sense is better than none.

I would like to conclude that many of us take common sense for granted, however we are always aware of others who never even have common yet they don't notice it for themselves. It should be taken into consideration that common sense is an essential tool we must have to survive in this fast paced century. As our problems is new we must think anew and rise with the occasion.