

Language 1

Look at this extract from the text:

*This is not a practical issue at all,
it's a moral one.*

Discuss with a partner. Is prostitution:

a practical issue or a moral issue?
a complicated issue or a straightforward issue?
an important issue or a non-issue?

Which verb does not collocate with *issue*:

avoid	the issue
complicate	
address	
discuss	
do	
tackle	
resolve	

Which issues is your government addressing at the moment? Which issues is it avoiding? Which issues do you want your government to tackle?

Discussion

What would you say in reply to these people? Discuss with a partner.

I can earn £1000 a week as a prostitute. That's about four times as much as I would get doing a different job. So why should I stop?

I don't believe that sleeping with a prostitute is being unfaithful to my wife. It's only sex – nothing else. Marriage is about love.

Lots of girls are forced into prostitution. Often they are illegal immigrants. They can't go to the police because they are not in the country legally.

**"I believe that sex is one of the most beautiful, natural, wholesome things that money can buy."
Steve Martin, actor**

If someone wants to accept my money to have sex with me, what's the problem? It's their life and their body. It's my money and it's none of your business!

Prostitution is a problem caused by men. There aren't any prostitutes for women. It's men who create the problem and men who make the laws.

It's the only way dirty old men can get sex. Prostitution is for sad, sad people. The women are sad and the men are even sadder. I'd ban it!

Language 2

Divide these expressions with *law* into three groups:

1. What the government or the police do.
2. What offenders or criminals do.
3. What good citizens do.

- a. tighten the law
- b. break the law
- c. defy the law
- d. obey the law
- e. observe the law
- f. relax the law
- g. comply with the law
- h. enforce the law
- i. ignore the law
- j. abide by the law
- k. change the law
- l. disobey the law