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What is Justice?
- Right-wing view: justice is equal freedoms.
- Left-wing view: justice is equal wealth.
- Fairness view (Rawls difference principle): Inequalities must benefit least advantaged.
- Needs view: justice requires that all people have their vital needs satisfied.

Environmental Justice
Fair treatment of all people with respect to environmental risks and benefits.
Environmental discrimination occurs when a group suffers disproportionately from environmental factors.
Environmental discrimination against Canadian aboriginals?
Land expropriation and ongoing land claims.
Poor environmental conditions on reserves.

Current Environmental Issues Affecting Aboriginals
- Grand River land claim
- Alberta oil sands
- Mohawk opposition to Oka niobium mine
- British Columbia land claims

Environmental Racism
Environmental racism = discrimination practiced through the environment.
Mohawks have close ties to land: different world view.
Arguments for First Nations Sovereignty: historical land claims, self-preservation
Governance issues: Iroquois practices vs. Indian Act band councils
Change of values: world needs to move toward aboriginal values.
Discussion Question
- Have Canadian aboriginals been victims of environmental racism?
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Environmental Impact
Move from utilitarian methods to social justice based on rights?
Overflights have bad consequences: sleep, hunting, anxiety. Problems for Innu: subsistence economy
Fairness of environmental impact assessments:
  - Temporal fairness
  - Geographic fairness
  - Economic fairness
  - Cultural fairness

Sustainability
- Sustainable development
- Environmentally friendly economic growth
- Elimination of poverty
- Capacity to endure: Human well-being and biological diversity. Resilience.
- Should historical injustices be corrected?

First Nations Issues
- Principle: The costs of resource development should be born by those who will reap its benefits. (Contrast: moral hazard)
- In hydroelectric and other developments, costs have been imposed on Native communities without consultation.
- Why First Nations are reluctant to cooperate
  - Financial compensation misunderstands nature of losses: Avoid monetization
  - Historical grievances
  - Need for co-planning and co-management
Problems for research on aboriginals:

- Difficulty of authentic representation.
- Role of stereotypes and attitudes.
  - Natives are peaceful, spiritual, guardians of the land. Savages.
- Omission of aboriginal concepts from research findings.
- Differences between Native and non-Native concepts and ideologies.

Discussion Question

- How can environmental problems involving aboriginals best be resolved?
- Can non-aboriginals understand these problems?
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