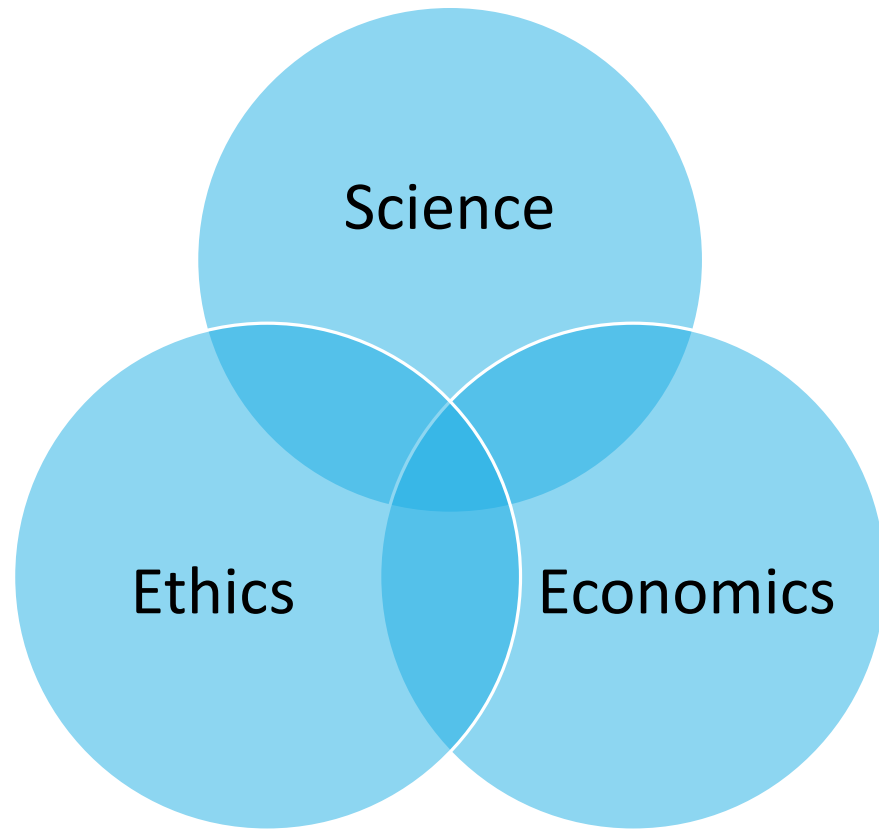


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Guided Practice



Science provides information and analysis needed to identify, understand, and devise solutions for problems.

Ethics offers criteria on how a society should address a problem.

Economics considers how the problem may be addressed with sustainability of the system in mind.

What role would each of the three play in the fishing industry, where a commercial fishing company is removing large numbers from the ocean? What role could a government play in this scenario?

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Independent Practice

1. Identify three goals of modern-day environmental policy. Name five individuals and groups that help make environmental policies.
2. How do environmental catastrophes tend to influence environmental policies in state and local governments? Provide an example.
3. How did Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* help change US environmental policy?
4. How does environmental policy become law in the United States?
5. You may have heard of titles that historians have given specific periods in history such as Pax Romana, the Renaissance, and the Victorian Era. What title would you give to each of the three periods of US environmental policy discussed in this lesson? Explain your choices.