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On a Supposed Right to Lie because of Philanthropic Concerns

Translated by James W. Ellington



## Synopsis

This expanded edition of James Ellingtonâ <sup>™</sup>s preeminent translation includes Ellingtonâ <sup>™</sup>s new translation of Kantâ <sup>™</sup>s essay Of a Supposed Right to Lie Because of Philanthropic Concerns in which Kant replies to one of the standard objections to his moral theory as presented in the main text: that it requires us to tell the truth even in the face of disastrous consequences.

## **Book Information**

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I love teaching this edition of the Groundwork. It is highly readable while accurate, and affordable for undergraduates. --Mark LeBar, Ohio University

Text: English (translation) Original Language: German --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This relatively brief work does not, in my opinion, really add anything significant to Kant's three major critiques: Pure Reason, Practical Reason, and Aesthetics. But it has a very good Introduction by James W. Ellington, the translator.I first read Kant 63 years ago, and have been profoundly influenced by him. In fact, I did an article recently for my Haverford College alumni magazine, which explored my not really understanding the poverty I witnessed in No. Philly on three Quaker weekend work camps in the 1950s (the ding an sich, in Kant's terms). But I tried to do whatever I could to make a responsible effort to help in one very modest situation. I think that was a Kantian action.

#### Great for class!

Came just as described and in good condition!

I'm sure this is exciting for Philosopy majors (which I am not), so I'll just say that this was for a class that I had to take

Great price for a required text for my summer classes. I was excited to find it on for such a low price because it is for a summer class and not required for my degree. The campus bookstore was selling this text for 15x what I paid for it on here. Definitely a smart buy.

Good book. Kant is good. But do yourself a favor and just read it online. PDFs are available everywhere as no one publisher has total rights to Kant's work.

All Western moral theory founded on duty has ties to Kant. While the book can be a tough read at times, it is worth the effort.

#### hard to read but worth it.

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