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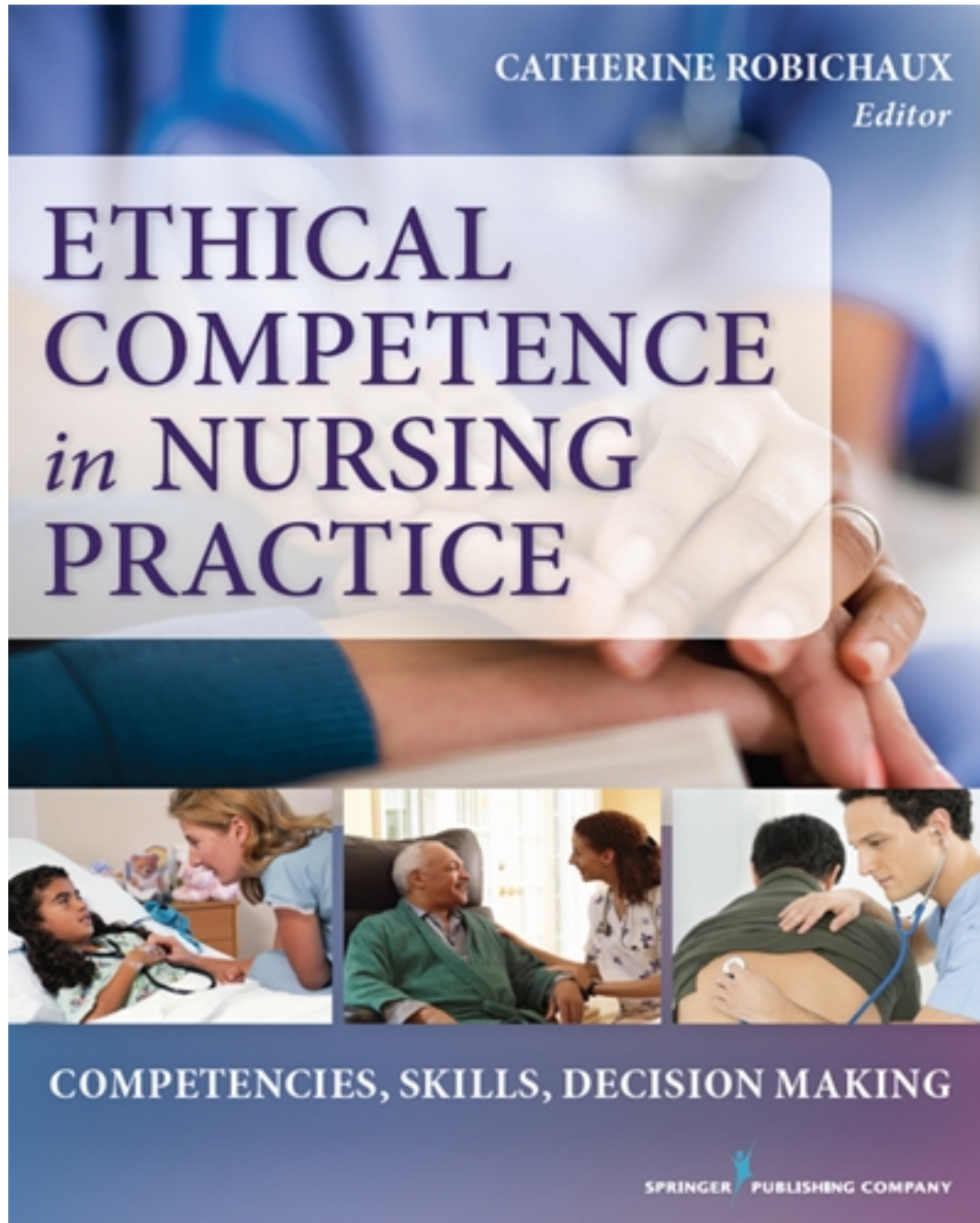
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Recognizing Ethical Terms, Theories, and Principles

1. Why is it important to study nursing ethics?
   a. Ensure that all people have positive outcomes.
   b. Help patients figure out how to do the right thing.
   c. Develop tools to ethically navigate the professional environment.
   d. Learn how to produce the greatest good for the greatest number of people.
   Answer: c. Develop tools to ethically navigate the professional environment.

2. Which term is described as learned and habituated attributes of moral character?
   a. Virtues
   b. Fidelity
   c. Altruism
   d. Obligations
   Answer: a. Virtues

3. Which statement best defines ethics in nursing?
   a. Moral principles that guide conduct
   b. Following the legal code that dictates appropriate behaviour
   c. Making decisions about right and wrong in specific situations
   d. Examination of how people make decisions regarding right and wrong
   Answer: c. Making decisions about right and wrong in specific situations

4. Which statement is true about morality?
   a. It is a belief.
   b. It needs to be defended.
   c. It is shared with other people.
   d. It is a truth based on evidence.
   Answer: a. It is a belief.

5. Which societal force contributed to the development of bioethics?
   a. Use of smartphones
   b. Abuses in human research
   c. Development of the Internet
   d. Creation of clinical information systems
   Answer: b. Abuses in human research

6. Which organization is responsible for creating the ethical Code for Nurses?
   a. National League for Nurses
   b. Sigma Theta Tau International
   c. American Nurses Association
   d. National Councils for State Boards of Nursing
   Answer: c. American Nurses Association

7. Which component of Rest's theory of moral competency focuses on willingness to implement the action?
   a. Moral character
   b. Moral judgment
   c. Moral sensitivity
   d. Moral motivation
   Answer: d. Moral motivation

8. Which ethical theory focuses on autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, and justice?
   a. Deontology
   b. Principlism
   c. Ethics of care
   d. Utilitarianism
   Answer: b. Principlism

9. What best describes the ethics of care theory?
   a. Caring and nurturing
   b. The greatest good for the greatest number
   c. Moral laws
   d. Autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, and justice
   Answer: a. Caring and nurturing

10. Which ethical theory hypothesizes that "what is right is always right and what is wrong is always wrong?"
    a. Deontology
    b. Principlism
    c. Ethics of care
    d. Utilitarianism
    Answer: a. Deontology

11. Which ethical theory is the underlying principle of public health?
    a. Deontology
    b. Principlism
    c. Ethics of care
    d. Utilitarianism
    Answer: d. Utilitarianism

12. Which tenet for decision making focuses on supporting other nurses in their work?
    a. Virtue
    b. Caring
    c. Veracity
    d. Beneficence
    Answer: b. Caring