**What is the Right Thing to Do—Corrie ten Boom Dilemma**

Read the following ethical dilemma and then answer the dilemma according to the following ethical views: utilitarianism and relativism.

**Dilemma:** Corrie ten Boom was a courageous Dutch woman who, with her family, harbored Jews in her home from Nazi police during World War II. Imagine yourself in her position as Nazi police stand at your doorstep asking if there are any Jews in your house. Your two options are either to tell a committed, brazen lie or to tell the truth (for the purposes of this worksheet, things like remaining silent or faking an illness or anything besides lying would raise suspicions and result in the death of the Jews in your home). What do you do, lie or tell the truth?

Write a 250-word response for each of the following sections (750 words total). Be sure to use your own words when composing your responses. Use the information from lectures and the textbook to inform your response.

1. **Utilitarianism (define the ethical system and apply it to the dilemma):**

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1. **Relativism (define the ethical system and apply it to the dilemma):**

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1. **How would you answer this dilemma, and why? (You should mention which ethical system you hold, and explain how that system leads you to your answer.) You are not restricted to utilitarianism or relativism—any normative ethical theory is an option.**

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