CONFLICT

Conflict
Belief that one's behaviors/goals are not compatible with the behaviors/goals of others

Factors that Influence Conflict
1. Social Dilemmas
   Conflict between self-interests and group interests

Factors that Influence Conflict
2. Competition
   People competing for same resources believe their individual self-interests are not compatible

Social Dilemma
1. Prisoner's dilemma is an example of a social dilemma
2. When faced with a social dilemma...
   - each party personally better off when they act selfishly
   - both parties worse off as a group when they act selfishly
   - as a group, the parties would have been better off if they had acted unselfishly

Prisoner's Dilemma

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Tragedy of the Commons
Wasting shared resource by acting in one's self-interest

Peacemaking
Gordon Allport:
The Contact Hypothesis
Contact between members of different groups lessens conflict
Peacemaking

1. Mere Exposure

Different groups thrown together to "work it out"

Peacemaking

1. Mere Exposure
2. Cooperation

Working cooperatively toward a superordinate goal reduces conflict

Jigsaw Classroom

Group 1: Ethnic/gender mix of 5 kids learning about pets

Child 1: Canaries
Child 2: Hamsters
Child 3: Goldfish
Child 4: Dogs
Child 5: Cats

Canary expert group
Hamster expert group
Goldfish expert group
Dog expert group
Cat expert group