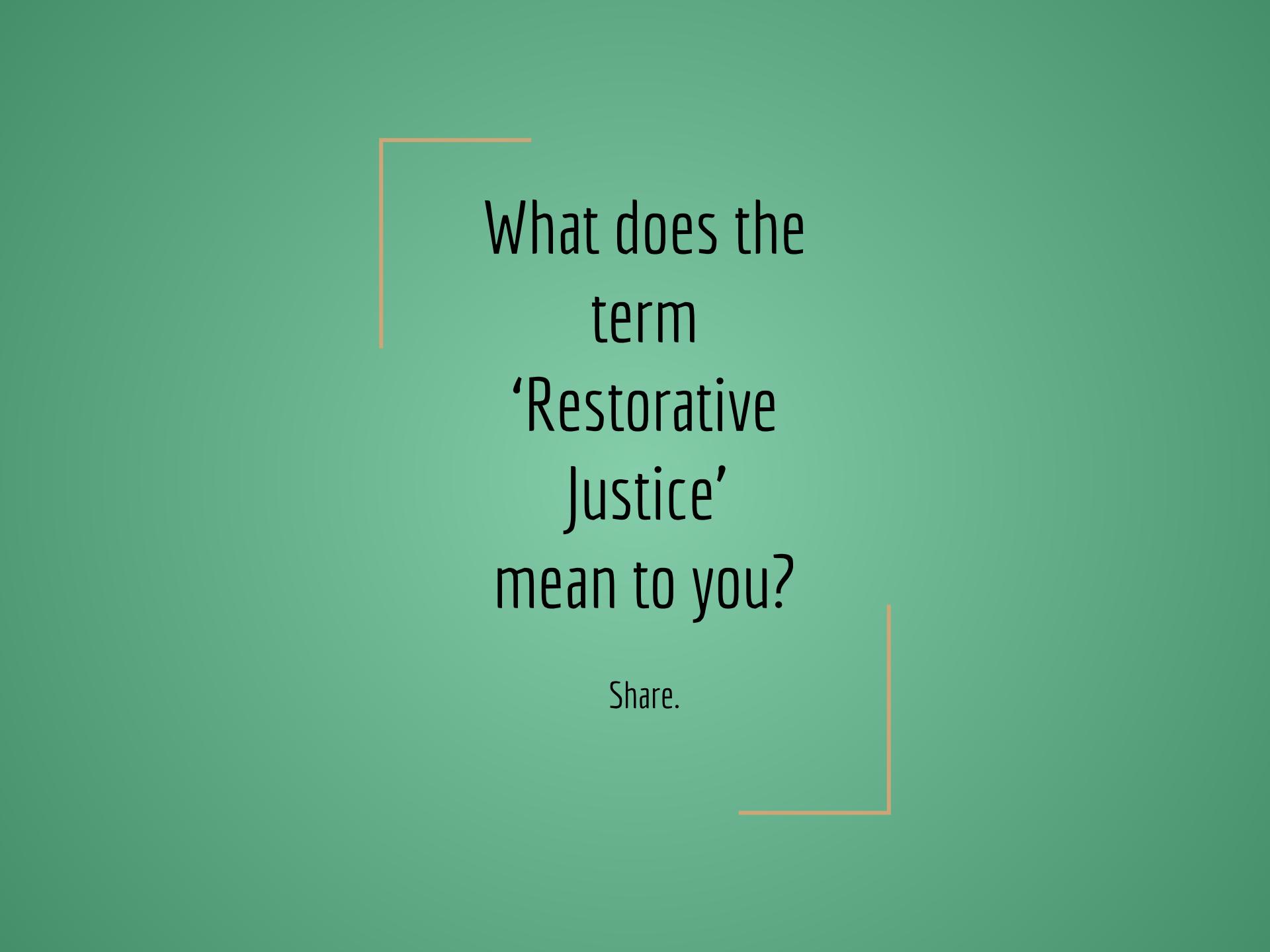


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Image Source: Kicks on Fire



What does the
term
'Restorative
Justice'
mean to you?

Share.

Exploring harm...

- Explore personal experiences of harm or instances of witnessing harm.
- How did it affect you and those involved? Were others affected and how?
- What are the different ways harm is dealt with or addressed in your life?
- What felt good or difficult about how the harm was addressed?

Video : Restorative Justice in Action

Watch this example of Restorative Justice in Victoria, B.C.:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LoXM3dw3WQQ>



Responsibility

is Accepting that

YOU

are *THE* Cause

& *THE* Solution

OF the Matter



Circles: Indigenous Roots

Restorative justice circles are used as safe and respectful places where relationships come first.



There is no precise term for “guilty” in the Navajo language. The word “guilt” implies a moral fault that commands retribution. It is a nonsense word in Navajo law due to the focus on healing, integration with the group, and the end goal of nourishing ongoing relationships with the immediate and extended family, relatives, neighbors, and community.

Source article by Robert Yazzie: “Life Comes from It’: Navajo Justice Concepts” .://www.dailygood.org/story/1327/life-comes-from-it-navajo-justice-chief-justice-robert-yazzie/

Discussion Questions

- What do you think is the focus of restorative justice?
- How does this compare to traditional disciplinary methods?
- What do you think about the idea of restorative justice? Do you like it? Why or why not?
- Should this be used more often? Why or why not?
- If you harmed someone or have been harmed would you be open to this process?
- Would the scenario be different if the actors in the first video were of a different race? Gender? Why?

Restorative Questions

When responding to conflict, a restorative approach involves asking these key questions:



- 1) What happened, and what were you thinking at the time?
- 2) What have you thought about since?
- 3) Who has been affected by what happened and how?
- 4) What about this has been the hardest for you?
- 5) What needs to be done to make it right?

Additional Videos for Understanding:

What is Restorative Justice? Correctional Services Canada

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4VPStZAamxg>

Indigenous Restorative Circle example:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RTb85GNcAVc>

Department of Justice Canada - Theft Restorative Justice example:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=43gyNiAKoY4>

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Martin Luther King Jr.