



## Introduction

Welcome to this interactive and engaging exploration of the attributes of God and the problem of evil. This welcome pack is designed for beginners and will guide you through the fundamental concepts and ideas related to this topic.

## Section 1: Understanding the Attributes of God

The attributes of God are the characteristics or qualities that define God's nature and being. These attributes include:

- Omniscience (all-knowing)
- Omnipotence (all-powerful)
- Benevolence (all-good)
- Omnipresence (present everywhere)

### Activity 1: Matching Game

Match the attribute of God with its definition:

1. Omniscience
2. Omnipotence
3. Benevolence
4. Omnipresence

- A) All-knowing  
B) All-powerful  
C) All-good  
D) Present everywhere

## Section 2: The Problem of Evil

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The problem of evil is the challenge of reconciling the existence of evil in the world with the idea of an all-powerful and all-good God.

### Activity 2: True or False

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*Indicate whether the following statements are true or false:*

1. The problem of evil is a challenge to the existence of God. (True/False)
2. The problem of evil is only related to moral evil. (True/False)
3. The problem of evil is a complex and multifaceted issue. (True/False)

## Section 3: Philosophical Responses to the Problem of Evil

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There are various philosophical responses to the problem of evil, including:

- Theodicies (justifications for the existence of evil)
- Defenses (responses to the challenge of evil)
- Skeptical theism (the view that we cannot know why God allows evil)

### Activity 3: Short Answer Questions

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*Answer the following questions in 1-2 paragraphs:*

1. What is the difference between a theodicy and a defense?
2. How does skeptical theism respond to the problem of evil?

## Section 4: Critical Thinking and Analysis

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Critical thinking and analysis are essential skills for exploring the attributes of God and the problem of evil.

### Activity 4: Case Study

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*Read the following case study and answer the questions that follow:*

"A natural disaster occurs, causing widespread destruction and suffering. How can we reconcile this event with the idea of an all-powerful and all-good God?"

1. What are the implications of this event for our understanding of God's attributes?
2. How can we respond to the challenge of evil in this situation?

## Conclusion

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Congratulations on completing this welcome pack! We hope that you have gained a deeper understanding of the attributes of God and the problem of evil. Remember to think critically and analytically about these complex concepts and to explore the various philosophical responses to the problem of evil.

## Additional Resources

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For further learning and exploration, please refer to the following resources:

- [List of recommended books, articles, and websites]

