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considering the nature and importance of vagueness. He looks at the

principles of measurement, and how we choose categories;			