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Sommario/riassunto

Describing the moral system that is commonly used by people when they are making thoughtful moral decisions and judgments, this book then goes on to analyse the concepts of rationality and impartiality, and of morality as a public system that is known by all normal adults.
