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Introduction to the Objectivist Ethics
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This is a very select, partial list of valuable materials concerning the Objectivist ethics. It includes the readings required or recommended for the course (which are on the syllabus), but adds many others, as well. At the same time, it includes only items that are most relevant to the material of this particular course, rather than to all issues encompassed by the Objectivist ethics.

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