

# Vocabulary John Locke's *Letter on Tolerance*

## Authority Vocabulary

1. coercion - The act of persuading someone to do something by force.
  - **Example:** Alexander the Great conquered many different lands **through coercion** - the people he conquered did not want to submit to his authority, but he forced them to.
2. to impose - to establish a restriction or rule by force onto someone.
  - **Example:** The colonists in Boston were not happy that the English king **imposed** taxes **on** them.
3. to allow - decide that something is legal or acceptable.
  - **Example:** I **allow** my brother **to play** my Nintendo Switch - he can play whenever he wants to.
4. to prohibit - to formally forbid (not allow) by law, rule, or authority.
  - **Example:** I **prohibit** my brother **from** playing my Nintendo Switch because he ate all my cookies without my permission.
5. to justify - to demonstrate as right or reasonable.
  - **Example:** I **justified** my argument **with** facts and data about the topic.
6. Repercussions - unintended consequences of an event or action
  - **Example:** There was no doubt there would be **repercussions** if the government responded late to the virus, but we didn't know what they would be.

## Religion Vocabulary

7. Belief - Something that a person thinks or believes is true.
8. Religion - A collection of beliefs, faith, and/or worship.
9. Follower - A person who supports and admires a particular person or set of ideas.
  - **Example:** **Followers** of Judaism celebrate Hanukkah.
10. Member - A person who is part of a group.
  - **Example:** **Members** of the local church sing Christmas carols during the holidays.
11. Tolerance - Willingness to allow the existence of opinions or behavior that one disagrees with.
  - **Example:** Even though he is vegetarian, he **shows tolerance for** people who eat meat.

## Miscellaneous Vocabulary

12. Worksheet - a paper listing questions or tasks for students
  - Example: The paper that has exercises about Locke's *Letter on Tolerance* is a **worksheet**, not a questionnaire.
13. Doctrine
14. Authority
15. Command
16. Disobedience
17. To attribute
18. To obligate / Obligation / Require