Moral Luck, Universalization, and COVID-19 Rachel Robison-Greene

Give an example of a choice about one's private behavior that impacts others. Can you provide an example of a choice about one's private behavior that has no significant impact on others? Does a decision to not wear a helmet while riding a motorcycle or to not wear a seat belt while riding in a car impact others?

In what way do those choosing to violate stay-at-home orders rely on others' obedience to these restrictions? Do you think that individuals who violate stay-at-home orders recognize this fact? Do they see themselves as free-riders to our collective action problem or do they simply believe that no one needs to take precautions?

Within the context of this pandemic, give an example of legal (as opposed to illegal) actions that one might take that can limit the freedom of others, or choices one might make that limit others' ability to choose. Why does the author describe these actions as "selfish"?

In what ways do our laws punish people for relying on moral luck? Alternatively, in what ways do our laws fail to hold people accountable for reckless behavior that avoids negative outcomes only by chance?