Week 3: VALUES III

1 Opportunities to Defend Oneself

In a civilized society, individuals have the **legal and moral right** to protect themselves from harm, injustice, or danger.

This **self-defense** may not always involve physical action—it could also be **seeking help**, **reporting wrongdoings**, or **avoiding danger** through wise decisions.

Ways to Defend Oneself:

Method	Explanation	Example
Contacting the Police	Call or visit the police in case of danger, theft, abuse, or violence.	Dialing 112 or going to a police station to report a robbery.
Reporting to Authority	Informing someone in charge about a problem.	Reporting a bully or a teacher behaving inappropriately.
Running to Safety	Leaving the area of danger immediately and going to a secure place.	Running into a nearby mosque, church, or public building for safety.
Seeking Legal Help	Going through proper channels such as lawyers or human rights agencies.	A victim of abuse contacts NAPTIP or a legal aid office.
Joining a Support Group	Becoming part of school or religious safety groups.	A student joins an anti-bullying club or peer support group.

✓ **Important Note**: Self-defense should always be **non-violent**, legal, and based on seeking peace and justice—not revenge or confrontation.

Community Service

What is Community Service?

Community service refers to **voluntary activities** carried out to improve the lives of others or maintain public good. It is **unpaid** and done for the benefit of the community, not for personal profit.

It is a form of civic responsibility that shows love for one's country and people.

Types & Examples of Community Service

Community Group	Description
NYSC (National Youth Service Corps)	Nigerian university graduates serve the country for one year to promote unity.
Boy Scouts / Girls Guide	Youth organizations that teach discipline, leadership, and service.
Red Cross Society	Offers humanitarian aid and emergency response.
Faith-Based Groups	Churches and mosques organize charity work, medical outreach, etc.
School/Youth Clubs	Health clubs, environmental clubs doing clean-up, awareness, etc.
NGOs (Non-Governmental Organizations)	Organizations that work in areas like education, health, and poverty.

Real-life Classroom Example:

A school can organize a **sanitation day** where students clean up the school environment or help out in a nearby orphanage.

- **3** Reasons for Involvement in Community Service
- Why do people serve their communities?

Reason	Explanation
Sense of Oneness	Builds unity across ethnic, religious, or economic lines.
Personal Satisfaction	People feel good helping others; it boosts their self-worth.
Family Bonding	Families can serve together, which strengthens relationships.
future Opportunities	Employers and schools value applicants with volunteer experience.
Skill Development	Volunteering teaches communication, planning, and leadership.

Reason

Explanation

Promotes Civic Duty It is a way to fulfill responsibilities as citizens.