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The Nicomachean Ethics by Aristotle

Short Answer Key

1. Eudaimonia is the ultimate goal of human life, representing a virtuous and flourishing life that results from moral and intellectual development.
2. Moral virtues are acquired through habit and practice, while intellectual virtues pertain to rational thinking and contemplation.
3. The "golden mean" is finding the balance between extremes. An example is courage, which lies between recklessness and cowardice.
4. Aristotle identifies three types of friendship: friendships based on utility, friendships based on pleasure, and the highest form of friendship, which is based on mutual respect and admiration for each other's character.
5. Aristotle suggests that the state should promote the moral and intellectual development of its citizens through education and the influence of virtuous role models.

