In this course, we will look at the kinds of agreements we make on a regular basis and the questions that can arise out of those agreements.

- Can my landlord hold me responsible for damages done by my roommate?
- If I get engaged and the engagement ends, who gets to keep the ring?
- Can my credit card company raise my interest rate without telling me?
- If I sign a contract promising not to sue a bungee jumping company and then get seriously hurt bungee jumping, does the company have to pay?

In addressing these questions, we will discuss various reasons why a promise may not be a promise, focusing on when a contract truly exists and whether the contractual promises are enforceable.

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