Most mature systems of law have found it necessary to provide, outside the fields of contract and civil wrongs, for the restoration of benefits on grounds of unjust enrichment.\(^49\) There are many circumstances in which a defendant may find himself in possession of a benefit which, in justice, he should restore to the plaintiff.

\(^{49}\) Fibrosa Spolka Akcyjna v. Fairbairn Lawson Combe Barbour [1943] A.C. 32, 61, per Lord Wright

**Referring Principles:**

IX.1 - Basic rule