

Socrates believes there are things worse than death. During his trial he tells his accusers: "You can kill me, but you can't harm me." The underlying argument he offers in response to Crito is that he is unwilling to do harm to either himself or Athens (and his fellow Athenians). In Book I of *Republic* Socrates assumes from the beginning that, whatever Justice is, it can't involve doing harm.

1. Post a new thread where you discuss this issue of 'harm'. Explain in detail what you think Socrates means by all of this. Do you agree with what he is trying to say? Explain why you do or do not agree that harm cannot be a part of justice. If it's pertinent to your argument, explain how you might have acted or spoken differently from Socrates if you found yourself in his situation.