

Paperling 4 We Constructed in Class

We as a class object to premise 3. In particular, premise 3 says that having kids is an action that will lead to those that have not yet come into existence being harmed in ways they wouldn't otherwise. We think that in having kids, we're not the ones leading to people being harmed, rather it's whoever does the harming that leads to this. One might worry: wouldn't one's kids harm people, and thus wouldn't we, in having them, lead to people being harmed? But we respond that, even in this case, it's not really us leading to the harm; we weren't aiming at it and indeed (hopefully) wish to avoid it.