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Intro to Moral Philosophy

Short Writing Assignment 1: Explaining Terms

Instructions: you should print this assignment out and bring it to class on Friday January 27. (If your printer breaks at the last second, you should email it to me; my email address is immerman@ksu.edu. If you email it in, it won't count as turned in unless I send an email confirming I've received it.) This assignment should be one paragraph long. I like to grade as anonymously as possible, so please **do not put your name on the top of the paper, but instead put it on the opposite side of the page or on a second page**. If you have any questions about how to complete the assignment, please let me know.

As we have seen over the last few class days through reading the Wertheimer article, there are a lot of questions about how "harm" should be understood in the harm principle. In this short writing assignment, you should explain how you think the term should be understood. (*Two tips: (1) check out the class notes from last Friday on explaining terms. (2) Wertheimer asks some questions on pages 45-7 about what "harm" means. Your clarification should be enough to tell us answers, at least to the first five questions*).

I will be grading this assignment via the following rubric:

✓+ : you do both of the following things: (i) you offer a full definition, (ii) you offer some contrasting terms and/or examples to further illustrate the term.

✓ : you do one of the following things: (i) you offer a full definition, (ii) you offer some contrasting terms and/or examples to further illustrate the term.

✓- : you do neither of the following things: (i) you offer a full definition, (ii) you offer some contrasting terms and/or examples to further illustrate the term.