

Homework 3 (Stirrat)

Imagine that a friend has just gotten a horrible haircut and asks you “how does it look”? You’re torn about whether to tell the truth.

Describe this problem using a consequentialist/utilitarian approach. (“A utilitarian would consider telling the truth because ... and would consider not telling the truth because ...”) (4 points)

A doctor must decide whether or not to remove life support from a patient who is brain dead. Pick two of the four principles (Beneficence, nonmaleficence, autonomy, justice) and explain how they apply to this situation. (4 points)

Of the approaches described, which one do you find the most helpful? Why? (2 points)