

Jeremy Bentham Reflection Chart

Put yourself in the mind of Jeremy Bentham. Answer each question below as he might have, based on his beliefs about justice, punishment, and the greatest good for the greatest number.

Question	Your Response (as Jeremy Bentham)
Why does Bentham say punishment is a bad thing unless it clearly stops something worse from happening? How does this idea connect to Éloïse's case?	
What problems does Bentham point out about how Éloïse was treated during her trial? Why does he think torture and unfair trials are dangerous for justice?	
Why does Bentham think justice shouldn't be about revenge or emotions? What does he say should be the real goal of punishment?	
Bentham talks about the importance of balance. What does he mean by finding a middle path between showing mercy and keeping order?	