Case Study Reasoning
Some Simple Ideas

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Intuitive Solution

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2. Provide a tentative intuitive answer to the question.
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3. List one or more moral principles that support this answer. For example, we ought not to cause pain to others.
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2. Now provide a formal answer to the ethical question studied.
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2. List responses to those objections.