

Exercise on Book V and the conclusion of Book IV

- 1) Socrates defines psychic justice as the condition of a soul, or psyche, in which reason, spirit, and appetite all do their own work (*Rep.* IV.441d-e). But we (and the Greeks) often call *acts* or *actions* just or unjust. (“Short-changing a customer is unjust.”) How does Socrates connect justice in the psyche with just actions? Search in *Republic IV* for a definition of ‘just action’, and then complete the following sentence:

According to Plato a *just action* is an action that

- 2) At *Republic V.472a* Socrates alludes to three waves of objections. The three theses that bring these three waves of objections crashing upon him are all to be found in Book V.
  - i) What are the three theses?
  - ii) Where precisely in Book V is each to be found?