

"Medicine" of Epicurus: Removing Fear and Finding Freedom

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Thank you [Don](#), that was an interesting wikipedia:

Quote

[Entertainment Weekly](#) said the *Kobayashi Maru* test is one of the top ten elements of *Star Trek* with which non-fans are likely to be familiar;^[5] writing for Tor, [Keith DeCandido](#) said "everyone knows that the *Kobayashi Maru* refers to a no-win scenario".^[6]

...The term has been applied to real-world scenarios with no perceived positive outcome or that requires out-of-the-box thinking, such as [climate change](#),^[10] constitutional law,^[11] education,^[12] and the casting of the Ancient One character in [Doctor Strange](#).^{[13][14]} Commentators have used Kirk's unorthodox answer to the Kobayashi Maru test as an example of the need to redefine the premises upon which an organization operates—changing the rules rather than playing within them.^{[15][16]} Computer security educators have used the *Kobayashi Maru* to teach students to think like an adversary, and that by stepping outside the rules of the game one can redefine the game.^[17] Ideas and products focusing on immersive learning have also been compared to the realistic, immersive nature of the *Kobayashi Maru* test.

Wondering, do we have a "Kobayashi Maru" situation when it comes to Epicureanism? So perhaps we need to "redefine the rules" -- For Epicurus' ideas to survive, and also our interpretations to survive, we will need to go beyond the scant remaining writings, we will need to thoughtfully express specific Epicurean interpretations and assertions on modern issues -- and the best way may be to write and publish a book outlining these interpretations.