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Exile vs. Death Answer Key

(Answers will vary, but here is guidance for teachers.)

Sample Responses

1. Socrates might not find life worthwhile if forced into silence, since he believed questioning was his divine mission.
2. In exile, he likely would continue questioning, risking punishment elsewhere, showing his mission transcended Athens.
3. Without his death, philosophy might lack the powerful example of a man dying for truth, weakening the lasting impact of his teachings.
4. His death inspired Plato and others to preserve his words; exile might not have created the same urgency.