The following are famous quotes by the ancient Greek philosopher, Socrates. Your groups task is to read the quotes and formulate what you believe his main philosophical viewpoints are. WHAT DOES SOCRATES BELIEVE? Each group will report to the class their thoughts.

“I was really too honest a man to be a politician and live.”

“Death may be the greatest of all human blessings.”

“I am not Athenian, or a Greek. I am a citizen of the world.”

“The unexamined life is not worth living.”

“The only good is knowledge and the only evil is ignorance.”

“Contentment is natural wealth. Luxury is artificial poverty.”

“I cannot teach anybody anything. I can only make them think.”

“To find yourself, think for yourself.”

“Be slow to fall into friendship, but when you are in, continue firm and constant.”

“Sometimes you put up walls not to keep people out, but to see who cares enough to break them down.”

“When the debate is lost, slander becomes the tool of the loser.”