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reconsidering school in painful times: an ending-beginning conversation

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Yes

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Yes

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Yes

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Yes

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Yes

e. are the arguments well-founded?

Yes

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Yes

4) Other aspects

What an absolutely delightful dialogue! The format of 'question-answer' re-imagines the ancient tradition of philosophical dialogues. The style of letters also reminds me of the famous letter exchanges of German Idealism, bringing contemporary ideas, worries and questions to life. Moreover, the writing style,

which moves between poetry, philosophy and more open-ended thinking, invites the reader into this dialogue. As such, and instead of 'commenting like a reviewer', I found myself contributing ideas in the comment section. Those comments, however, are not thought to 'interrupt' this paper, but rather is for the authors privately as a 'commentary' :) I do hope that this paper will inspire other authors to develop similar pieces of writing and thinking together. A through and through delightful and deeply touching reading//thinking experience ... in the truest sense!