

Chapter XXVIII: "The Owl-Tower"
The Marble Faun

"It teaches me nothing," said the simple Donatello, stooping over the plant, and perplexing himself with a minute scrutiny. "But here was a worm that would have killed it; an ugly creature, which I will fling over the battlements."

Write an essay in which you explain the significance of this statement, using details from the text.