



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
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PHILOSOPHY

PHIL2

Unit 2 An Introduction to Philosophy 2

Monday 19 January 2009 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an 8-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is PHIL2.
- Answer **two** questions.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer **two** questions.

Theme: Knowledge of the external world

- 1 (a) Explain and illustrate **one** argument for distinguishing between primary and secondary qualities. *(15 marks)*
- (b) Consider whether the strengths of idealism outweigh the weaknesses. *(30 marks)*

Theme: Tolerance

- 2 (a) Describe and illustrate **two** characteristics a tolerant individual should possess. *(15 marks)*
- (b) ‘Religious believers should tolerate lifestyles which they find disagreeable.’ Discuss arguments in favour of this view. *(30 marks)*

Theme: The value of art

- 3 (a) Explain and illustrate the notion of ‘form’ in relation to works of art. *(15 marks)*
- (b) ‘We value art because it expresses the artist’s feelings.’ Consider what can be said both for **and** against this view. *(30 marks)*

Theme: God and the world

- 4 (a) Describe **one** feature of the World that appears to show design. Explain **one** reason for doubting this feature does show design. *(15 marks)*
- (b) ‘Natural evil does not count against the existence of God.’ Discuss. *(30 marks)*

Theme: Free will and determinism

- 5 (a) Explain and illustrate the distinction between reasons and causes. *(15 marks)*
- (b) Explore the claim that because human beings have minds as well as bodies, they have free will. *(30 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS