



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
January 2012

Philosophy

PHIL2

Unit 2 An Introduction to Philosophy 2

Wednesday 18 January 2012 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-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 **four** questions.
- Choose **two** themes and answer **both** questions on each theme.
- 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.

Advice

- You are advised to read through the examination paper before you attempt the questions.
- You are advised to spend the same amount of time on each theme.

Answer **four** questions.

Choose **two** themes and answer **both** questions on each theme.

Theme 1: Knowledge of the external world

0 1 Explain and illustrate **two** criticisms of idealism. *(15 marks)*

0 2 Assess the claim that the immediate objects of perception are sense-data that represent the external world. *(30 marks)*

Theme 2: Tolerance

0 3 Explain and illustrate **two** of the following conceptions of tolerance:

- Permission
- Co-existence
- Respect
- Esteem.

(15 marks)

0 4 'The tolerance practised in liberal societies may not be a good thing.'
Assess this claim. *(30 marks)*

Theme 3: The value of art

0 5 Explain and illustrate **two** criticisms of the view that we value art because of its form. *(15 marks)*

0 6 'The point of art is to lead us to the truth.' Discuss *(30 marks)*

Theme 4: God and the world

0 7 Explain and illustrate **two** problems with the argument from design. *(15 marks)*

0 8 'Evil exists, so God does not.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

Theme 5: Free will and Determinism

0 9 Explain and illustrate **two** distinctions between determinism and predestination. *(15 marks)*

1 0 Assess the view that 'ought implies can'. *(30 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS