



General Certificate of Education  
Advanced Subsidiary Examination  
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# Philosophy

# PHIL1

## Unit 1 An Introduction to Philosophy 1

Monday 13 May 2013 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 PHIL1.
- Answer **four** questions.
- Answer **both** questions on **Theme 1** and **both** questions on **one** other theme.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

### Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- 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.

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**Theme 1: Reason and experience**

**0 | 1** Illustrating your answer, explain the difference between inductive and deductive arguments. *(15 marks)*

**0 | 2** 'The mind contains an innate grasp of the way the world is.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

**Theme 2: Why should I be governed?**

**0 | 3** Illustrating your answer, explain **two** reasons why civil disobedience may not always be justifiable. *(15 marks)*

**0 | 4** 'The concept of authority simply masks the possession of power.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

**Theme 3: Why should I be moral?**

**0 | 5** Explain and illustrate **two** reasons for thinking that morality should **not** be identified with whatever is advantageous to us. *(15 marks)*

**0 | 6** 'Disregarding self-interest leaves us without any motivation to act morally.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

**Theme 4: The idea of God**

**0 | 7** Explain and illustrate **two** reasons for rejecting the view that our idea of God is innate. *(15 marks)*

**0 | 8** 'The ontological argument shows that God must exist.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

**Theme 5: Persons**

**0 | 9** Explain and illustrate **two** reasons for accepting the possibility that a machine could be regarded as a person. *(15 marks)*

**1 | 0** 'What really matters to us, in discussing personal identity, is not identity through time but survival through time.' Discuss. *(30 marks)*

**END OF QUESTIONS**