Paper 1

METAPHYSICS AND PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

Answer three questions only.

Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer. If you are answering an either/or question, indicate the letter as well.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

20 Page Answer Book x 1
Rough Work Pad

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator
1 Is it an objective matter whether an event is a miracle?

2 What is the strongest form of scepticism about the external world, and what does it show?

3 Either (a) Is it more reasonable to think that if I throw a brick at a window, the window will break or to think that the window will turn into a butterfly?

Or (b) How do the ravens paradox and the grue paradox relate to the problem of induction?

4 'All events seem entirely loose and separate. One event follows another; but we never can observe any tie between them. They seem conjoined, but never connected.' Given this picture, how can we explain causation?

5 'It does not matter whether determinism is true; the fact that we are subject to the same laws as everything else shows that we are not free.' Discuss.

6 Either (a) Is pain just whatever plays the role of pain?

Or (b) Where are your thoughts?

7 Either (a) Is survival what matters about personal identity?

Or (b) Are you your brain?

8 'Even the fool is convinced that something than which nothing greater can be conceived is in the understanding, since when he hears this, he understands it; and whatever is understood is in the understanding. And certainly that than which a greater cannot be conceived cannot be in the understanding alone.' Discuss.

9 Does the existence of evil entail that there does not exist an omniscient, omnibenevolent and omnipotent being? If not, what is the problem of evil?

10 If it was already true yesterday that you will answer this question, how can it be within your power not to?

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