

**PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part IB**

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Friday 23 May 2008

09.00 to 12.00

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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 the 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 Explain what is meant by saying that truth is a device of generalization. Is this the last word on truth?
- 2 'All of the factors needed for a belief to be epistemically justified for a given person must be cognitively accessible to that person.' Discuss.
- 3 What could possibly entitle us to hold a factual statement true on a priori grounds?
- 4 Does a rock perform computations?
- 5 **Either** (a) Is functionalism either compatible with physicalism or implied by it?  
**Or** (b) Does functionalism allow non-human minds?
- 6 Does the fact that mental states have objects pose a difficulty for any theory of mind?
- 7 If we abstract away from their secondary qualities, are we left with any conception of objects at all?
- 8 Does perception relate us to objects, propositions, or something else?
- 9 Does truth have anything to do with successful action?
- 10 Could there be laws linking the mental and the physical?

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