PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS      Part IB

Friday 1 June 2007   09.00 to 12.00

Paper 3

ETHICS

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. Is freedom of action sufficient for moral responsibility?

2. 'An act is voluntary if and only if you are not coerced into performing it.' Discuss.

3. How, if at all, can a reason give rise to a motivation?

4. What is practical reasoning?

5. 'Intention is morally irrelevant.' Discuss.

6. Is there a morally significant distinction between active and passive euthanasia?

7. What is the best argument in favour of moral relativism? Does it work?

8. What, if anything, follows from the claim that moral judgements are universalizable?

9. What, according to Hume, is 'the true origin of morals'? Is he right?

10. Either (a) Do you agree that a virtue is 'a quality of the mind useful or agreeable to ourselves or others'?

    Or (b) Is Hume's moral theory a kind of utilitarianism?

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