

**PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II**

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Monday 28 May 2007

09.00 to 12.00

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Paper 4

**HISTORY OF MODERN PHILOSOPHY**

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 Evaluate critically Kant's best argument for transcendental idealism.
- 2 Is Kant right to think that space and time are a priori forms of intuition?
- 3 Is Kant's transcendental deduction of the categories successful?
- 4 To which philosophical subject-matter is Hegel's dialectical approach most suited, and why?
- 5 Can Hegel give good reasons for holding that his philosophy of history is compatible with individual freedom?
- 6 Can Hegel's version of idealism be defended?
- 7 **Either** (a) Does Nietzsche have defensible views about the positive role morality can play in human life?  
**Or** (b) Are Nietzsche's criticisms of Kantian ethics convincing?
- 8 Is Nietzsche's version of perspectivism defensible?
- 9 Can Nietzsche give good reasons for advocating that we adopt a tragic view of life?
- 10 **Either** (a) Is Hegel's conception of reason philosophically more plausible than Kant's?  
**Or** (b) Is Hegel's criticism of Kant's doctrine of self-consciousness telling?

END OF PAPER