

**PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II**

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**SPECIMEN PAPER 2003**

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Paper 3  
ETHICS

*Answer **three** questions only*

*Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer.*

**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. EITHER: Is it either possible or rational to seek only pleasure?  
OR: To what extent, if any, does personal well-being depend on the satisfaction of desire?
2. Is prudentialism necessarily irrational?
3. Can the expressivist make sense of the thought that if lying is wrong, then getting your little brother to lie is wrong as well?
4. Is moral realism compatible with the existence of moral dilemmas?
5. Are there incommensurable values?
6. Can moral judgements be true if moral values are not parts of the fabric of the world?
7. EITHER: If only persons have a right to life, does this mean that abortion is always morally permissible?  
OR: Is gene-therapy a form of eugenics, and if so, so what?
8. EITHER: Does Kant offer a satisfactory account of acting from duty?  
OR: Is Kant's Categorical Imperative vacuous?
9. Do we need a proof of free will in order to justify the existence of moral obligations?

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