

PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II

Monday 28 May 2001

1.30 to 4.30

Paper 2

ETHICS

*Answer **three** questions only.*

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

The question marked with an asterisk may not be answered by candidates also offering Paper 9.

**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 Suppose that Edward is presently convinced that he should take no thought for the future, but reasonably believes that once he is middle aged he will value financial security. Does he **now** have a reason to start a pension plan?
- 2 Could pleasure be the only good?
- 3 What, if anything, does cultural disagreement show about the nature of moral judgements?
- 4 Is there an interesting analogy between moral properties and secondary qualities?
- 5 Does the fact that some forms of practical reasoning are unsound entail the existence of external reasons?
- 6 Can I prevent myself from acting on intentions which I continue to have?
- 7 Is the relation between the objects and the causes of emotions wholly accidental?
- *8 Is the categorical imperative empty of content?
- 9 Are quasi-realists entitled to act confidently on their moral beliefs?
- 10 I am confronted with a moral dilemma. I take one course. Should I regret not having taken the other?

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