

PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II

Tuesday 28 May 2002

1.30 to 4.30

Paper 2

ETHICS

Answer **three** questions only.

Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer. If you are answering an either/or question, indicate the letter as well.

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 **Either** (*a*) Is it either possible or rational to seek only pleasure?
- Or** (*b*) To what extent, if any, does personal well-being depend on the satisfaction of desire?
- 2 To what extent are moral defects attributable to failures of rationality?
- 3 How should we define moral realism?
- 4 Can an expressivist make sense of the thought that if lying is wrong, then getting your little brother to lie is wrong as well?
- 5 Is there any truth in moral relativism?
- 6 Is moral realism compatible with the existence of moral dilemmas?
- *7 Does Kant conclusively establish that human agents are autonomous? Does he need to?
- 8 **Either** (*a*) Is weakness of will paradoxical?
- Or** (*b*) Is self-deception paradoxical?
- 9 How can there be a fact/value distinction, if our apprehension of any fact involves norms of judgement?
- 10 Could an emotion be immoral?

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