

PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II

Friday 3 June 2005

9 to 12

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 'I have found it necessary to deny knowledge, in order to make room for faith' (KANT). Explain and discuss.
- 2 **Either** (a) What does Kant aim to prove in the transcendental deduction, and how?
Or (b) Discuss Kant's 'refutation of idealism'.
- 3 What, according to Kant, is Reason, and how does it differ from the Understanding?
- 4 Hegel describes logic as 'the science of the Idea in and for itself'. What does he mean by this?
- 5 Is Hegel's distinction between reason and understanding philosophically illuminating?
- 6 Is Hegel right to think that a philosophy organised around the concept 'spirit' is superior to one organised around 'substance' or 'subject'?
- 7 Does Nietzsche think there is no truth? Is that thought self-refuting?
- 8 Is Nietzsche's criticism of morality convincing?
- 9 Can the world be justified as an aesthetic phenomenon?
- 10 Does Heidegger have a tenable theory of the relation between what he calls the 'existentiell' and what he calls the 'existential'?
- 11 Why can't *Dasein* ground itself?
- 12 Does Heidegger's *Being and Time* contain an ethics?

END OF PAPER