Paper 9

WITTGENSTEIN

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.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS
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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 'In the picture and the pictured there must be something identical in order that the one can be a picture of the other at all.' (TLP 2.161) Discuss.

2 Either  (a) Why did Wittgenstein maintain in the *Tractatus* that there is no such relation as identity? Was he right?

Or  (b) What is the 'argument for substance' in the *Tractatus*? Is it correct?

3 If the world is independent of my will, how is ethics so much as possible?

4 Discuss the difficulties involved in throwing away the ladder after we have climbed up it.

5 Which doctrines of the *Tractatus* did Wittgenstein retain in his later work and with what effect?

6 'Augustine describes the learning of human language as if the child came into a strange country and did not understand the language of the country; that is, as if it already had a language, only not this one.' (PI §32) Discuss.

7 Does Wittgenstein offer a plausible response to the rule-following problem?

8 Either  (a) What connection, if any, does Wittgenstein allow there to be between my inner mental life and the shared meanings of words?

Or  (b) 'Wittgenstein was really a behaviourist in disguise.' Discuss.

9 'It is always by favour of Nature that one knows something.' (OC §505) Discuss.

10 'The *questions* we raise and our *doubts* depend on the fact that some propositions are exempt from doubt, are as it were like hinges on which those turn.' (OC §341) Discuss.

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