PHT0/2 Philosophy Tripos, Part IA

Monday, 27 May 2024

9.00 to 12.00

## Paper 2

## ETHICS AND POLITICAL 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.

Write your candidate number, <u>not</u> your name on the cover sheet of **each** answer booklet.

## 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 to do so.

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- 1. Are moral sentences any 'queerer' than those of mathematics?
- 2. When you say 'Torture is wrong', what are you really saying?
- 3. Could we have evolved to be moral?
- 4. 'Rule-consequentialism is either rule idolatry or a fundamentally non-consequentialist ethical theory.' Discuss.
- 5. What is the relationship between being moral and living a good life?
- 6. Could you lack empathy and still be moral?
- 7. Is there something that the amoralist fails to understand?
- 8. **EITHER**: (a) If we only agree to a social contract for fear of our lives being solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short, can this contract truly ground our political obligations?
  - **OR**: (b) Is it possible to justify political obligation without relying on contracts?
- 9. 'Equality of opportunity is achieved when those with equal natural talent and motivation have the same prospects of success'. Discuss.
- 10. Does the full realisation of equality of opportunity require the abolition of the family?

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