

PHT2/9  
Philosophy Tripos Part II

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Wednesday, 29 May 2024

13.30 to 16.30

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**Paper 9**

**WITTGENSTEIN AND HIS SUCCESSORS**

*Answer three questions only.*

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

*Write your candidate number, **not** 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.**

1. Austin asks us to consider some cases in which “to say something is to *do* something”. Why?
2. What is an ‘illocutionary act’, and what are the ways in which it can go wrong?
3. What use is Wittgenstein's distinction between "self as subject" and "self as object"?
4. Does the *Blue Book* succeed in deflating the conception of the mind as a “gaseous medium”?
5. Does Anscombe have a satisfactory way of unifying our concept of intention under the three heads?
6. “If then my knowledge is independent of what actually happens, how can it be knowledge of what does happen? Someone might say that it was a funny sort of knowledge that was still knowledge even though what it was knowledge of was not the case.” (ANSCOMBE) Is Anscombe's account of how we know what we are intentionally doing committed to this funny sort of knowledge?
7. What is distinctive about the method of the *Philosophical Investigations*? Can this method help us solve philosophical problems?
8. Explain and assess the relationship between meaning and use as it is described in the *Philosophical Investigations*.
9. A heartbroken woman tells her friend that she feels miserable. Her friend replies, “I know, I understand.” Can the friend really know anything about the woman’s misery? Answer with reference to the *Philosophical Investigations*.
10. What is the rule-following problem? What is the solution?

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