

PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part IA

Friday 24th May 2013

13.30 – 16.30

Paper 1

METAPHYSICS AND PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

*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

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. Is any variant of the ontological argument for the existence of God convincing?
2. Are you or have you ever been an animal?
3. What is the most plausible analysis of knowledge? And does it succeed?
4. 'The mental is whatever plays the role of the mental.' Discuss.
5. EITHER: Is a person morally responsible for an action only if they could have done otherwise?

OR: State and evaluate the strongest argument for compatibilism.
6. Does causality require necessary connection?
7. If it is true today that there will be a sea-battle tomorrow, are admirals superfluous?
8. Could anything count as sufficient evidence to establish that a miracle had taken place?
9. Can a sceptic have a conversation?
10. Are robots agents?

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