PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part IA

Monday 27 May 2002

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Paper 2

ETHICS

Answer four questions only.

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

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

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- 1 Can an emotivist account of ethical judgement be defended?
- What is wrong with defining 'good'?
- What does the existence and nature of ethical disagreement show about the objectivity of ethical judgement?
- 4 What can we say to the amoralist to convince her to be moral?
- What is the relationship between rights and duties?
- 6 Is consequentialism consistent with the existence of absolute rights?
- 7 Is happiness the maximisation of pleasure?
- 8 Are all charity workers egoists?
- 9 Must we adopt a retributivist account of punishment in order to condemn the sacrifice of innocent scapegoats?
- 10 'Rule utilitarianism overcomes the main objections levelled against act utilitarianism only to incur more serious difficulties of its own.' Discuss.

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