

PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part IA

Monday 30 May 2005

9 to 12

Paper 2

ETHICS

Answer **four** 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.

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 an ethical judgement a belief, a desire or something else?
- 2 Is having a sympathetic concern for others a necessary condition for being in the world of morality?
- 3 Can intuition be a basis for ethical knowledge?
- 4 What does ethical agreement and disagreement tell us about the objectivity of values?
- 5 'It *is* possible, but of no importance to moral philosophy, to derive "ought" from "is".' Discuss.
- 6 What is the best argument against rule-consequentialism? Does it work?
- 7 Should a utilitarian want everybody to be convinced by the theory of utilitarianism?
- 8 **Either** (a) In what sense, if any, is punishment deserved?
Or (b) Is there a defensible consequentialist justification of punishment?
- 9 What are the most important criteria for deciding who or what have rights?
- 10 Do all individual rights protect interests? If not, so what?

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