PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS   Part II

Friday 25 May 2001   9 to 12

Paper 8

PHILOSOPHY OF LOGIC AND LANGUAGE

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.

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   What is the issue between referential or truth conditional semantics, and inferential role semantics?

2   Does Grice's approach to meaning bypass the notion of a convention, or lead to it, or depend upon it?

3   Is externalism in the philosophy of language compatible with first-person authority over what we mean by our words?

4   Is meaning a normative notion?

5   **Either**   *(a)*   Is the probability of a conditional a conditional probability?

     Or   *(b)*   Are subjunctive conditionals harder to understand philosophically than indicative conditionals?

6   Did Russell show that arithmetic is part of logic?

7   Discuss any difficulty involved in the logical analysis of belief-ascriptions.

8   Has Dummett given us any reason to think that the issue between realism and anti-realism turns on questions of meaning?

9   **Either**   *(a)*   Is mathematics true by convention?

     Or   *(b)*   Is logic true by convention?

10   Why did Frege reject the idea of basing arithmetic on Hume's principle? Was he right?

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