

CHAPTER 1

Introduction to Philosophy

This Week's Learning Outcomes

Define the definitions, meanings, concepts, and purpose of philosophical knowledge

Explain the roles of the Malaysian National Education Philosophy (NEP) to prepare Malaysians to face 21st century global challenges

This Week's Learning Outcomes

Elaborate the roles of the Rukun Negara as the foundations of the nation, built with support from the NEP

Analyse the relationship between the NEP and Rukun Negara through the lens of philosophy

Philosophy: The Basics

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Rukun Negara

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Philosophy, NEP, & Rukun Negara

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Philosophy: The Basics

What is Philosophy?

philo = love

What is Philosophy?

sophia/sophos = truth, wisdom

In 1 minute, **INTRODUCE** yourself and **SHARE**
your reasons for taking up tertiary education.



a sense of good

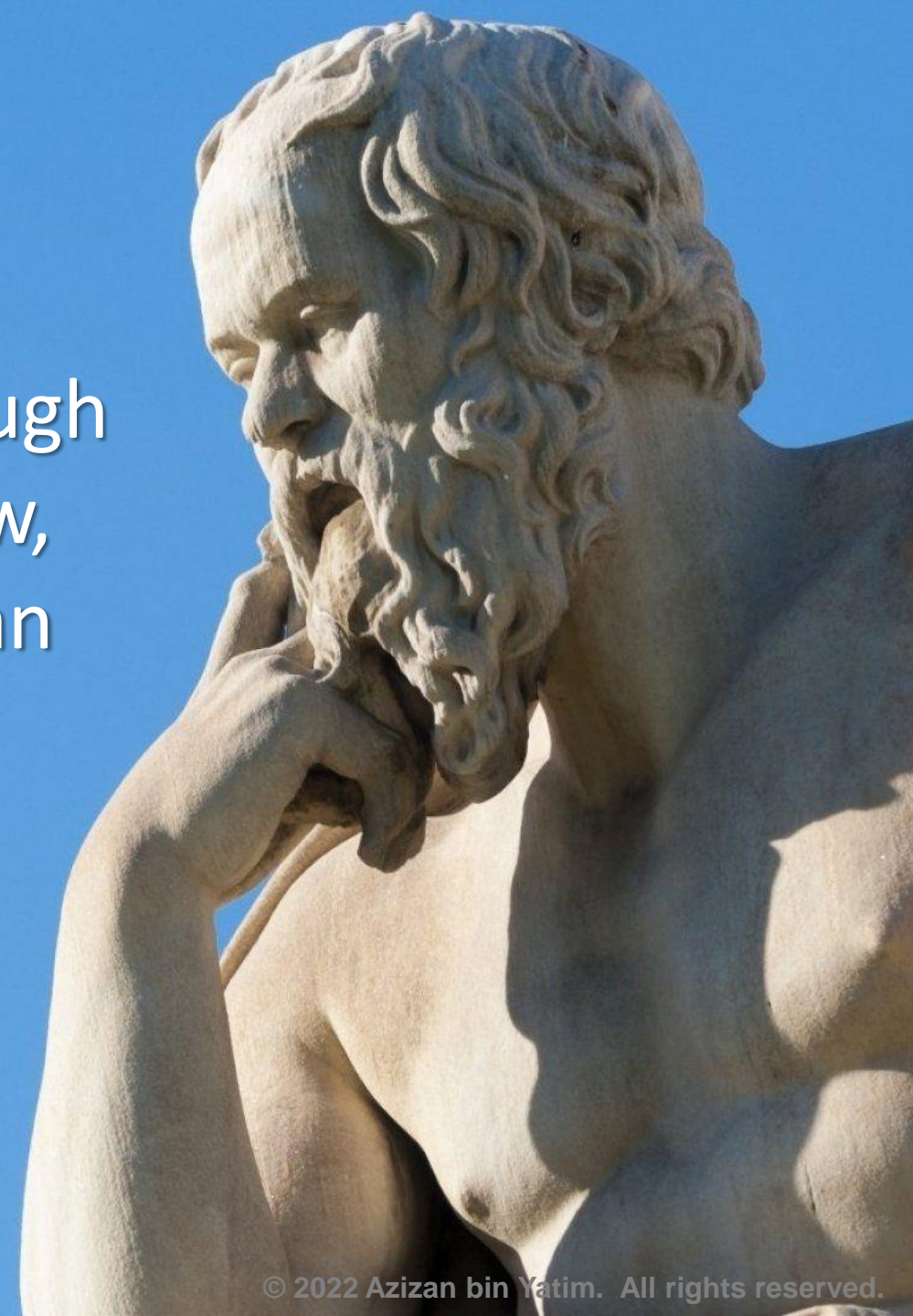
What is Philosophy?

a sense of wonder

Philosophy is:

- Knowledge about all there is (Plato).
- Knowledge about the existing nature and is aimed to research its facts (Al-Farabi).
- Thinking deeply, systematically, radically, and universally in the pursuit of the truth (Sidi Gazalba, 1978).

The **pursuit** to an objective truth through observation, experimentation, review, and/or deeply interpreting the human experience and the world.

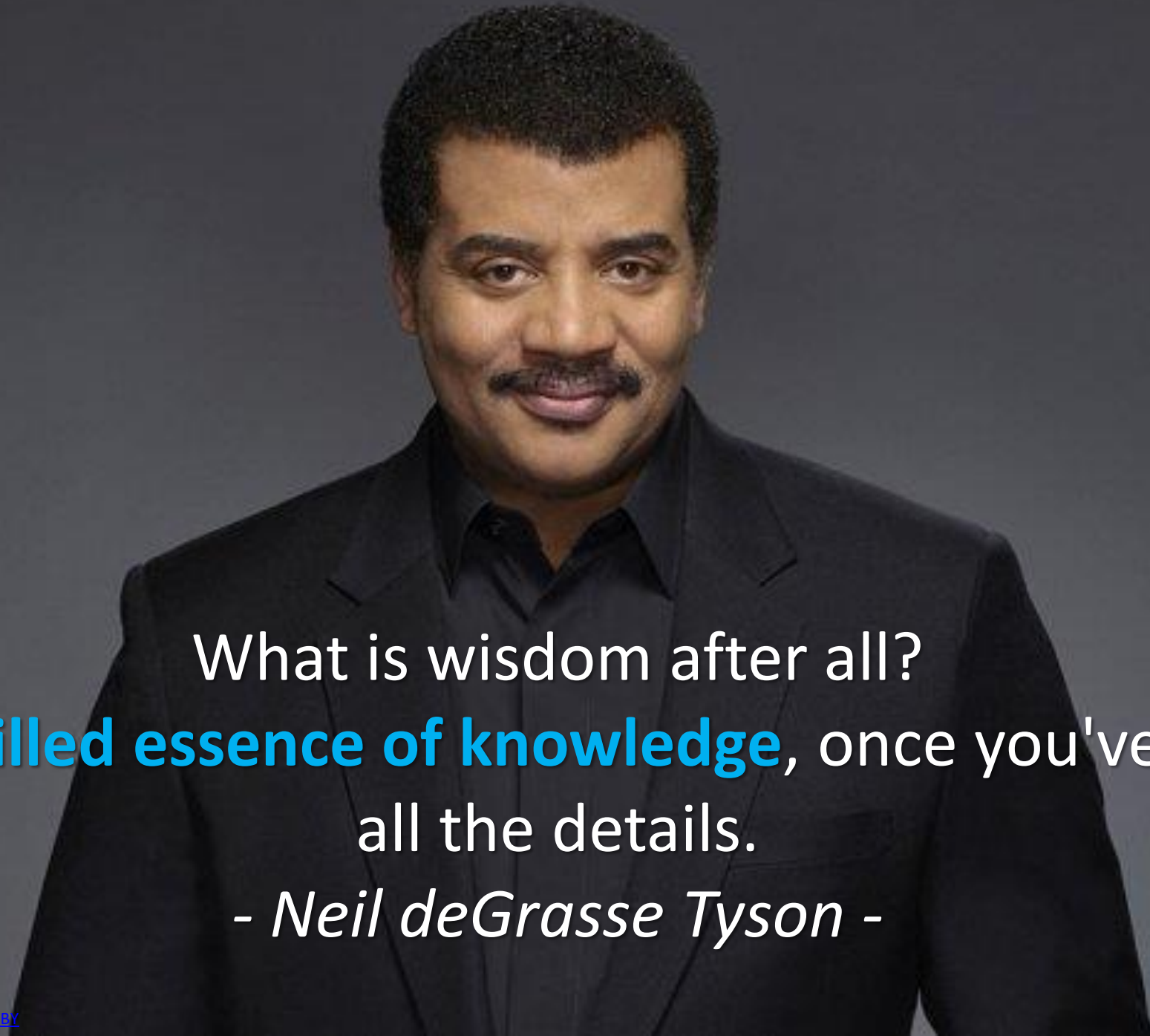


Example

This too, shall pass.

Example

What are we made
for?



What is wisdom after all?
It's **the distilled essence of knowledge**, once you've forgotten
all the details.
- Neil deGrasse Tyson -

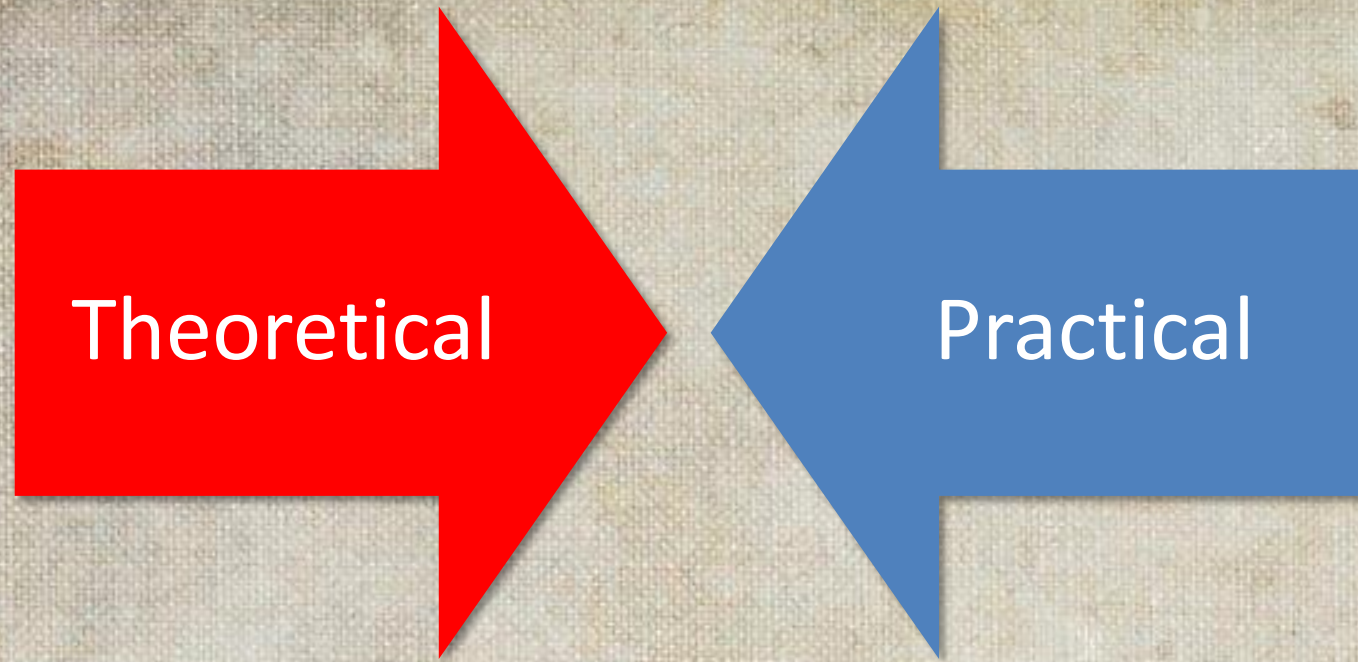
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Philosophy aims to **find**
answers to the ultimate problems.

My Question

What are the Ultimate Problems?

Main Branches in Philosophy



Main Branches in Philosophy

A young boy with short dark hair, wearing a light blue polo shirt and white cargo pants, is smiling and holding a large white rectangular sign. The sign is positioned in front of his chest, and he is looking directly at the camera. The background is a textured, mottled green and brown surface.

*Time for a
Break?*

National Education Philosophy

Activity I

Read &
Share

READ the following and **SHARE** your opinions whether you are prepared to compete globally by linking your own personal education journey.

FALSAFAH PENDIDIKAN KEBANGSAAN

Pendidikan di Malaysia adalah suatu usaha berterusan ke arah lebih memperkembangkan potensi individu secara menyeluruh dan bersepadu untuk mewujudkan insan yang seimbang dan harmonis dari segi intelek, rohani, emosi dan jasmani, berdasarkan kepercayaan dan kepatuhan kepada Tuhan. Usaha ini adalah bagi melahirkan warganegara Malaysia yang berilmu pengetahuan, berketerampilan, berakhlak mulia, bertanggungjawab dan berkeupayaan mencapai kesejahteraan diri, serta memberi sumbangan terhadap keharmonian dan kemakmuran keluarga, masyarakat dan negara.

NATIONAL EDUCATION PHILOSOPHY

Education in Malaysia is an on-going effort towards further developing the potential of individuals in a holistic and integrated manner, so as to produce individuals who are intellectually, spiritually, emotionally and physically balanced and harmonious, based on a firm belief in and devotion to God. Such an effort is designed to produce Malaysian citizens who are knowledgeable and competent, who possess high moral standards, and who are responsible and capable of achieving high level of personal well-being as well as being able to contribute to the harmony and betterment of the family, the society and the nation at large.

Sharing Session

Rukun Negara

Activity II

Read &
Share

READ the following and **SHARE** your opinions on the goals of each of the sentences.

Kepercayaan kepada Tuhan
Kesetiaan kepada Raja dan Negara
Keluhuran Perlembagaan
Kedaulatan Undang-Undang
Kesopanan dan Kesusilaan

Sharing Session

*Time for
Another
Break?*



Activity III

Think &
Share

SHARE your opinions whether Malaysians are following what is stated in the Rukun Negara.

Sharing Session

My Question

How does the NEP
relate to the Rukun
Negara?

Philosophy, NEP, & Rukun Negara

My Question

How does Philosophy relate
to the NEP and the Rukun
Negara?

My Question

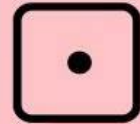
Where do you fit in
the bigger picture?

Do you have any
questions?

Take Home Questions

1. Define philosophy by linking it to your life as a university student.
2. Explain the connection between philosophy, NEP, Rukun Negara, and you as a Malaysian citizen.

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Name one
new thing
your
learned
today



Acknowledge
someone for a
job well done.



Describe a
good idea you
heard.



Describe a
feeling you
experienced



Describe
something
that pushed
you outside
your
comfort
zone



How will
you apply
what you
learned
today?