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Philosophy and Literature

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Choose from the following options. This item will not be graded.

iClicker Question

Which one of these does NOT belong to the interpreter's credo?

- A ▶ I believe in hermeneutic realism
- B ▶ I believe in hermeneutic restoration
- C ▶ I believe in hermeneutic responsibility
- D ▶ I believe in hermeneutic rationality

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iClicker Question

Which philosopher is known for the idea of "deconstruction"?

- A ▶ Friedrich Nietzsche
- B ▶ Augustine
- C ▶ Soren Kierkegaard
- D ▶ Jacques Derrida

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iClicker Question

Which of the following features is not one that Galen Strawson investigates as a possible condition for diachronicity?

    A   ▶ form-finding

    B   ▶ story-telling tendency

    C   ▶ journalling

    D   ▶ revision

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Who is Strawson's example of someone who thinks that the psychological narrativity thesis is true (ordinary human beings experience their lives in some sort of narrative way), but the ethical narrativity thesis is NOT true (the narrative outlook is not essential to a well-lived life)?

- A ▶ Henry James
- B ▶ Jean-Paul Sartre
- C ▶ Marya Schechtman
- D ▶ Charles Taylor

Choose from the following options. This item will not be graded.

iClicker Question

What does NOF stand for?

- A ▶ No Ownership of the Future
- B ▶ No Ordinary Family
- C ▶ Net Overall Futility
- D ▶ Never OK to Fear

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Who argued that death is not an evil because it can only do harm to someone who no longer exists?

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- B ▶ Marcus Aurelius
- C ▶ Epicurus
- D ▶ Jeff McMahan

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Which two movies are compared in Richard Kearney's article with respect to their use of narrative?

A ▶ Miloŝ Forman's *Amadeus* and Philip Kaufman's *The Unbearable Lightness of Being*

B ▶ Robert Zemecki's *Forrest Gump* and James Cameron's *Titanic*

C ▶ Steven Spielberg's *Schindler's List* and Claude Lanzmann's *Shoah*

D ▶ The Wachowski's *The Matrix* and Christopher Nolan's *Inception*

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iClicker Question

For which philosopher's account of personal identity does Marya Schechtman point out that it rests on consciousness rather than, as usually assumed, memory?

- A ▶ John Locke
- B ▶ David Hume
- C ▶ J.S. Mill
- D ▶ Immanuel Kant

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iClicker Question

Which of these are not part of a Schechtman illustration in her paper?

- A ▶ the fat lady in the picture
- B ▶ the sing-song of old man kangaroo
- C ▶ the man who thought he was Napoleon
- D ▶ Dr. Bernheim's umbrella

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iClicker Question

What is the cornerstone of existentialism?

A ▶ man's existence is more firmly established than God's existence

B ▶ existence precedes essence

C ▶ man is not free but bound to his existence

D ▶ everything is morally permissible

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

Which of these are not part of a Sartre illustration in his paper?

- A ▶ joining the resistance or staying with one's mother
- B ▶ the picture of Dorian Gray
- C ▶ a man who becomes a Jesuit after many setbacks in life
- D ▶ joining a Christian or a Communist trade union

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

Which one of these is a core moral dilemma in Charles Taylor's essay "What Is Human Agency?"?

- A ▶ legalizing abortion vs valuing human life
- B ▶ eating organic local food vs giving to charity
- C ▶ persisting in an academic job vs moving to Nepal
- D ▶ keeping one healthy person alive vs having five sick patients die

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

Which of these contrast pairs is not a distinction found in Charles Taylor's paper?

- A ▶ internalist and externalist evaluation
- B ▶ first and second order desires
- C ▶ qualitative and quantitative evaluation
- D ▶ weak and strong evaluation

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

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On the Non-Reductionist view, according to Derek Parfit in the reading for today,

- A ▶ moral choices cannot be reduced to calculations about consequences
- B ▶ a person is a separately existing entity, distinct from brain, body, and experience
- C ▶ moral questions cannot be reduced to scientific questions
- D ▶ Buddha's message and the Judaeo-Christian message cannot be reduced to each other

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iClicker Question

What is Hume's comparison for the soul?

- A ▶ a republic or commonwealth, in which the several members are united by the reciprocal ties of government and subordination
- B ▶ a prisoner of war, always treated with a respect suitable to his condition
- C ▶ a commander in charge of a ship, communicating with the several parts of a vessel
- D ▶ a soup, in which the ingredients are now united though they were once asunder

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What game did Hume play to distract himself from the depressing conclusions of his philosophical thought?

- A ▶ chess
- B ▶ bridge
- C ▶ backgammon
- D ▶ tennis

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Which of these German philosophers insists that authority is accepted freely, not blindly or slavishly?

- A ▶ Marx
- B ▶ Habermas
- C ▶ Kant
- D ▶ Gadamer

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Which of these philosophers does not play a key role in Holub's essay?

- A ▶ Jürgen Habermas
- B ▶ Martin Heidegger
- C ▶ Karl Popper
- D ▶ Hans-Georg Gadamer

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iClicker Question

Which pain served Dostoyevsky's narrator for enjoyment?

- A ▶ headache
- B ▶ toothache
- C ▶ bellyache
- D ▶ heartache

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iClicker Question

What is "the most advantageous of all advantages which cannot be accommodated within any classification" or calculation, according to Dostoyevsky?

- A ▶ religious fulfillment
- B ▶ free, independent desire or will
- C ▶ living in a peaceful, well-governed state
- D ▶ living in mindless subservience to authority

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iClicker Question

To what are humans compared in *Notes from the Underground* if they can be figured out by mathematical calculations?

A ▶ piano keys

B ▶ thermostats

C ▶ an abacus

D ▶ seesaws

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iClicker Question

Complete the following excerpt by J.S. Mill: "though the reasonings which connect the end or purpose with its means belong to the domain of science, the definition of the end itself belongs exclusively to . . ."

- A ▶ Art
- B ▶ Nature
- C ▶ Metaphysics
- D ▶ Religion

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iClicker Question

How did Roger Scruton vote in the Brexit referendum?

- A ▶ he was not eligible to vote
- B ▶ he voted for Brexit
- C ▶ he decided not to cast a vote
- D ▶ he voted against Brexit

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Which of these examples is not addressed in the interview with Roger Scruton?

- A ▶ ISIS in Syria (religion that dehumanizes?)
- B ▶ a Beethoven quartet (merely a sequence of sounds?)
- C ▶ the homunculus (is there a little man in the brain?)
- D ▶ Desmond, the horse (individual but not a person?)

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iClicker Question

What question does Nietzsche ask about Socrates?

- A ▶ Did he have illicit relations with Plato?
- B ▶ Did he deserve his hemlock?
- C ▶ Did he beat Xanthippe?
- D ▶ Did he train Alexander the Great in philosophy?

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What does Nietzsche call Kant?

- A ▶ that most deformed concept-cripple of all time
- B ▶ the German Hume
- C ▶ the great iconoclast
- D ▶ the great Chinese of Hanover

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iClicker Question

Who, according to Dilthey, was looking for an analysis of understanding that is at the root of the the rules we use to interpret texts?

- A ▶ Bertrand Russell
- B ▶ Friedrich Schleiermacher
- C ▶ Martin Luther
- D ▶ Jacques Derrida

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For which discipline other than the interpretation of texts is hermeneutics a key discipline, according to Dilthey?

- A ▶ history
- B ▶ politics
- C ▶ chemistry
- D ▶ behaviourism

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Which two examples are, according to Jürgen Habermas, examples of the limits of hermeneutics?

- A ▶ performance and rationality
- B ▶ the past and the future
- C ▶ psychoanalysis and critique of ideology
- D ▶ the Jews and the Gnostics

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Which concept does Gadamer seek to rehabilitate as not being contrary to reason and freedom?

- A ▶ determinism
- B ▶ tradition
- C ▶ innate abilities
- D ▶ genius

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iClicker Question

What is the role of time for understanding, according to Gadamer?

- A ▶ it is a positive and productive condition that enables understanding
- B ▶ it is fundamentally asymmetric, you can go forwards but not backwards
- C ▶ it is a gulf to be bridged that separates us from historical events
- D ▶ it is scientifically reducible to archeological artefacts

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iClicker Question

Which war is used as an example that the name we give it now could not have been used at its outbreak?

- A ▶ The Thirty Years War
- B ▶ The First World War
- C ▶ The Great War
- D ▶ The War of Roses

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iClicker Question

Habermas makes reference to which philosopher's linguistic analysis?

- A ▶ Russell
- B ▶ Putnam
- C ▶ Hegel
- D ▶ Wittgenstein

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Which of these principles is Carnap's?

- A ▶ the principle of contiguity
- B ▶ the principle of reciprocity
- C ▶ the principle of equivalence
- D ▶ the principle of tolerance

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iClicker Question

Einstein and Perrin's work on Brownian motion scientifically established

- A ▶ the existence of galaxies
- B ▶ the existence of space curvature
- C ▶ the existence of atoms
- D ▶ the existence of gravitational waves

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iClicker Question

How, according to Popper, should we test a theory?

- A ▶ by induction
- B ▶ by abduction
- C ▶ by deduction
- D ▶ by obduction

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What distinguishes, according to Popper, a scientific problem from a non-scientific problem?

- A ▶ the scientific problem can be answered one way or another by a proof
- B ▶ the scientific problem is stated such that there is a method for verification
- C ▶ the scientific problem is stated to make it possible for a hypothesis to be falsified
- D ▶ the scientific problem can be solved a priori, without reference to experience

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What does Foucault identify as a problem with modern discourse about sex?

- A ▶ modernity is too body-focused (instead of mind-focused) in its sexuality
- B ▶ we talk about sexual desire too much (the endless mill of speech)
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- D ▶ men want sex, women want conversation (gender imbalance with respect to verbal and sexual intimacy)

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- C ▶ an erosion of monogamy due to homosexuality
- D ▶ the Christian dogma of the Trinity

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iClicker Question

What is the narrative eighty years after Damiens' execution to which the public execution is set in contrast?

- A ▶ the overcrowding of prisons
- B ▶ the abolition of the death penalty
- C ▶ a timetable of rules for young prisoners
- D ▶ institutional racism in prisons

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What, according to Foucault, is the relationship between knowledge and power?

- A ▶ knowledge and power have separate domains
- B ▶ power corrupts knowledge
- C ▶ power produces knowledge, power and knowledge imply one another
- D ▶ knowledge constrains power

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Who is Herculine Barbin (Foucault uses her to show that categories of sex are constructed through historically specific modes of sexuality)?

- A ▶ a nineteenth-century hermaphrodite
- B ▶ Foucault's mother
- C ▶ a woman who was condemned to death by hanging
- D ▶ a French postmodern philosopher

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

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Which three philosophers' views of sex does Butler describe in more detail?

- B ▶ Kant, Foucault, Derrida
- C ▶ Kant, Hegel, Nietzsche
- D ▶ Irigaray, Greer, Schwarzer
- A ▶ Irigaray, Foucault, Wittig

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iClicker Question

According to Taylor's understanding of Foucault, the idea of a liberating truth is

- A ▶ Humanity's salvation from oppression
- B ▶ A profound illusion
- C ▶ Worthy to be pursued despite its inherent difficulty
- D ▶ An outdated concept that no longer functions in our society

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Taylor draws a close link between Foucault's notion of truth and power and this other philosopher:

A ▶ Friedrich Schiller

B ▶ John Locke

C ▶ Aristotle

D ▶ Friedrich Nietzsche

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Which philosopher's work on writing and figurative speech does Derrida use as his starting point for his own reflections?

- A ▶ Jean-Jacques Rousseau
- B ▶ Jean-Paul Sartre
- C ▶ Michel Foucault
- D ▶ Voltaire

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iClicker Question

Which analogy (or origin) does Derrida use to show how the practice of writing won out over the practice of reading?

- A ▶ space travel (satellites)
- B ▶ alchemy and chemistry (production of ink)
- C ▶ musical notation (staves)
- D ▶ agriculture (ploughs and furrows)

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Where, according to Barthes, does the text assume a measure of unity and focus?

- A ▶ in the reader
- B ▶ in the author
- C ▶ in the narrator
- D ▶ in the writer

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Which of these triplets does not reflect the three stages of society in Derrida/Rousseau?

- A ▶ savage/barbaric/civil
- B ▶ pictography/hieroglyphs/alphabet
- C ▶ fetishism/polytheism/monotheism
- D ▶ hunter/shepherd/ploughman

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God and his hypostases: which one of these is not one of them?

- A ▶ law
- B ▶ reason
- C ▶ science
- D ▶ monogamy

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iClicker Question

The X argument: someone whose life is guided by usual practices is in direct danger of becoming an X. Who is X?

- A ▶ Oblomov
- B ▶ Eichmann
- C ▶ The Big Lebowski
- D ▶ Charles Duhigg

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

What is the relevant pair of contrast for Odo Marquard's essay?

- A ▶ accidents and narrative
- B ▶ accidents and coincidence
- C ▶ accidents and apriority
- D ▶ accidents and choices

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

Which H.C. Andersen fairy tale does Marquard use to illustrate the relationship of "progress" to "myths"?

A ▶ The Snow Queen

B ▶ The Emperor's New Clothes

C ▶ Thumbelina

D ▶ The Ugly Duckling

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

Which of these statements reflects Marquard's position on narrativism?

- A ▶ there must be one overarching grand narrative called a monomyth
- B ▶ to narrate is necessary
- C ▶ it is possible to strip myths away without acquiring new ones
- D ▶ the story of monotheism ought to be replaced by the story of progress

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

What is Kolakowski's thesis statement?

- A ▶ No explanatory method exists in the study of cultural history
- B ▶ facts can be abolished by a supreme synthesis
- C ▶ History would have turned out the same if certain important people (Descartes, Nietzsche) had died in infancy
- D ▶ Western civilization must decline as a matter of historical necessity

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

iClicker Question

According to Kolakowski, given the past, the future is

- A ▶ unpredictable
- B ▶ directed at a specific end
- C ▶ predictable in its major movements
- D ▶ predictable in detail

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

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"The whole world is a work of art" – who is quoted saying this in Solnit?

- A ▶ Virginia Woolf
- B ▶ Jean-Paul Sartre
- C ▶ Andrew Warhol
- D ▶ Immanuel Kant

Choose from the following options. This item will be graded.

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Why did Charlie Musselwhite stop drinking himself to death?

- A ▶ because of a religious conversion experience
- B ▶ because he heard of a not-yet two-year old being saved from a well
- C ▶ because Aristotle appeared to him in a dream
- D ▶ because he was shipwrecked and had no access to alcohol