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Question 1 — Arguments in Action

    (a) Give an example of a sentence that is not a statement.

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    (b)   (i) State **two** features of deductive arguments.   **2**

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        (ii) Give an example of a deductive argument.   **1**

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    (c) Is the following argument valid? Give **two** reasons for your answer.

All cooks love food.
Peter is a cook.
Therefore, Peter loves food.   **3**

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Question 1 (continued)

(d) What is a false dilemma fallacy? Give an example to support your answer.

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Question 2 — Knowledge and Doubt

    (a)   Describe **one** philosophical definition of "knowledge".   **4**

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    (b)   (i)   Describe what Hume means by impressions and ideas. Give an example of **each** to support your answer.   **4**

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(ii) What problems are there with Hume's theory of impressions and ideas?

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(c) (i) What is "Rationalism"?

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Question 2 (c) (continued)

(ii) Evaluate Rationalism.

You may support your answer with reference to philosophers, texts or sources.

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Question 3 — Moral Philosophy

(a) (i) State **two** features of Bentham's utilitarianism.   2

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(ii) Explain **two** problems with Bentham's utilitarianism.   4

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Question 3 (continued)

(b) Read the scenario below.

> You are driving fast to take an ill child to hospital. Should you go through a red light?

Explain how a Rule Utilitarian might respond to this scenario. **4**

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Question 3 (continued)

You have studied a moral theory **other than Utilitarianism.**

    (c) Name your **chosen theory** and explain **two** problems with it.   **4**

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Question 3 (continued)

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(d) Read the scenario below.

Your friend has fallen behind with coursework and is in danger of failing. You have finished and could easily cheat by writing it for her.

Explain how a follower of your **chosen theory** might respond to the situation.

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