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**SECTION 3 — MORAL PHILOSOPHY — 30 marks**

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SECTION 1 — ARGUMENTS IN ACTION — 20 marks

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1. (a) The following list contains statements, commands and exclamations.  
Tick (✓) the four statements.

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- ☐ Shut that door.
- ☐ Those biscuits were in the oven for too long.
- ☐ What an amazing sunset!
- ☐ Recycle your waste.
- ☐ My friend was not at school today.
- ☐ What a great film!
- ☐ I can't wait for the summer holidays!
- ☐ Either we go to Paris or we go to Rome.

- (b) Put the following argument into standard form.

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Supermarkets should do more to promote healthy eating. Convenience food is damaging our health. The health benefits of a nutritious diet are well documented in medical journals. Cut down on junk food now!

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## 1. (continued)

(c) (i)



Explain why this is not an argument in the philosophical sense.

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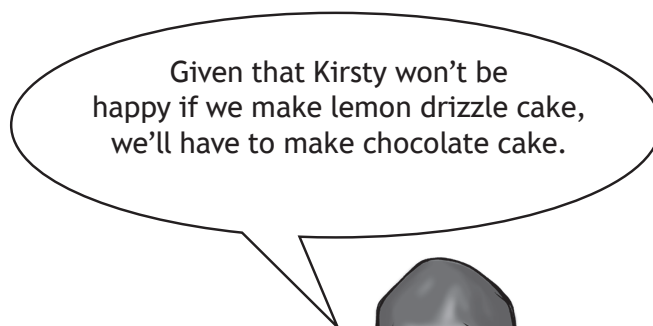
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1. (c) (continued)

(ii)



Alexander

State the premise and conclusion of Alexander's argument.

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(iii) Explain why Alexander's argument is invalid.

Your answer should include a definition of validity.

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1. (continued)

- (d) Give any **two** premises to make a valid argument.

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Premise 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Premise 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Conclusion — Buddy has four legs.

- (e) Explain what a fallacy is.

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- (f) Explain the fallacy of attacking the person.

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- (g) Give an example of the fallacy of attacking the person.

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## 2. (continued)

(c) According to Hume, how do we get the idea of God?

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(d) Describe the other examples Hume uses to show that all ideas are derived from impressions.

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(e) Describe the strengths and weaknesses of Hume's theory of impressions and ideas.

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(f) Describe Descartes' dream argument.

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## 2. (continued)

(h) Describe **one** problem with Descartes' dream argument.

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(i) Describe Descartes' deceiving God argument.

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## SECTION 3 — MORAL PHILOSOPHY — 30 marks

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3. (a) What do Utilitarians mean by the term 'equity'?

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- (b) What do Utilitarians mean by the term 'hedonism'?

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- (c) Describe Bentham's Hedonic Calculus.

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(d) Read the following scenario.

Use the Hedonic Calculus to show that the right thing to do would be to return the wallet to its owner.

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Give examples to support your answer.

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## 3. (continued)

- (f) State **one** criticism of Mill's distinction between higher and lower pleasures.

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- (g) What did Mill mean by 'competent judges'?

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- (h) Explain why the difficulty of predicting consequences causes problems for Utilitarianism.

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## 3. (continued)

- (i) Happiness doesn't matter when you make moral decisions.  
How might a Utilitarian respond to this statement?

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