

Responsibility Essay Questions

130604 Q5

What can we learn from Aristotle's discussion of voluntary action?

140610 Q4

Does Aristotle have a good account of why one should be blamed for negligence?

150610 Q3

In what circumstances, if any, would Aristotle blame a drunk driver for unintentionally running over a pedestrian?

160302 Q3

Does Aristotle manage to show that virtuous and vicious character states are up to us? Why is it important for him to establish this?

170608 Q4

If mixed actions are voluntary then why are they 'mixed'? Discuss whether the notion of mixed actions is helpful in understanding responsibility.

170608 Q5

'How can I be "in some way" responsible for my character? Either I'm responsible for it, or I'm not.' Discuss whether this is a good objection to Aristotle.

180602 Q5

According to Aristotle, what kinds of ignorance in the agent make her action involuntary? Is this view coherent?

180602 Q6

On what grounds does Aristotle think that the acquisition of virtue and vice is up to us? Is his view defensible?

200528 Q10

When, if ever, can someone be blamed for their actions according to Aristotle?

210603 Q4

How, if at all, does Aristotle's discussion of decision and wish help him explain what virtue is?

220603 Q5

'I choose how I act, but I don't choose how I feel. Therefore, virtue and vice are not up to me.' Discuss.