

JUNE 2024							JULY 2024						
Sun	30	1	2	3	4	5	Sun	7	14	21	28		
Mon		6	7	8	9	10	Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue		11	12	13	14	15	Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
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THURSDAY

1. Because Logic, for Aristotle, is about Form, Not Matter.

• Aristotle's Prior Analytics is not about what is the case in the world, but about how reasoning works.

• It is not the role of logic to decide what is, but to ask:

1) "If these things are granted, what follows?"

2) "Is the reasoning valid?"

• He is abstracting away from facts to examine the structure of reasoning. Whether or not the premises are true is a separate issue.

2. He is Studying the Form of Deductions

In Prior Analytics, Aristotle is doing something groundbreaking:

• He is the first in history to treat deductions (syllogismos) as a formal object — an object we can analyze purely on the basis of the relations between premises and conclusions.

• This means: 1) He works with terms, predicates and relations as they are said. 2) He asks, "If you say All A is B and all