- history of philosophy; however, what our textbooks say about the history of a philosophical concept has much to do with our understanding of that concept.
- 2. Alvin Goldman explicitly states this requirement as a desideratum of his own analysis of justified belief in "What is Justified Belief?", in George S. Pappas (ed.), Justification and Knowledge (Dordrecht: Reidel, 1979), p. 1. Roderick M. Chisholm's definition of "being evident" in his Theory of Knowledge, 2nd ed. (Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Prentice-Hall, 1977) does not satisfy this requirement as it rests ultimately on an unanalyzed epistemic concept of one belief being more reasonable than another. What does the real "criteriological" work for Chisholm is his "principles of evidence". See especially (A) on p. 73 of Theory of Knowledge, which can usefully be regarded as an attempt to provide nonnormative, descriptive conditions for certain types of justified beliefs.
- 3. The basic idea of this stronger requirement seems implicit in Roderick Firth's notion of "warrant-increasing property" in his "Coherence, Certainty, and Epistemic Priority", Journal of Philosophy 61 (1964): 545-57. It seems that William P. Alston has something similar in mind when he says, "... like any evaluative property, epistemic justification is a supervenient property, the application of which is based on more fundamental properties" (at this point Alston refers to Firth's paper cited above), in "Two Types of Foundationalism", Journal of Philosophy 73 (1976): 165-85 (the quoted remark occurs on p. 170). Although Alston doesn't further explain what he means by "more fundamental properties", the context makes it plausible to suppose that he has in mind nonnormative, descriptive properties. See Section 7 below for further discussion.
- 4. See Chisholm, ibid., p. 14. Here Chisholm refers to a "person's responsibility or duty *qua* intellectual being".
- 5. This term was used by A.J. Ayer to characterize the difference between lucky guessing and knowing; see *The Problem of Knowledge* (New York & London: Penguin Books, 1956), p. 33.
- 6. Notably by Chisholm in Theory of Knowledge, 1st ed., ch. 4.
- See Rudolf Carnap, "Testability and Meaning", Philosophy of Science 3 (1936), and 4 (1937). We should also note the presence of a strong coherentist streak among some positivists; see, e.g., Carl G. Hempel, "On the Logical Positivists' Theory of Truth", Analysis 2 (1935): 49-59, and "Some Remarks on 'Facts' and Propositions", Analysis 2 (1935): 93-96.
- 8. In W.V. Quine, Ontological Relativity and Other Essays (New York: Columbia University Press, 1969). Also see his Word and Object (Cambridge: MIT Press, 1960); The Roots of Reference (La Salle, Ill.: Open Court, 1973); (with Joseph Ullian) The Web of Belief (New York: Random House, 1970); and especially "The Nature of Natural Knowledge" in Samuel Guttenplan (ed.), Mind and Language (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1975). See Frederick F. Schmitt's excellent bibliography on naturalistic epistemology in Hilary Kornblith (ed.), Naturalizing Epistemology (Cambridge: MIT/Bradford, 1985).
- 9. Or confirmational relations, given the Positivists' verificationist theory of meaning.