

## Home exam EXPHIL03E, seminar option, spring 2018

### *Short answers:*

Give short answers to the questions (1 – 3 sentences in each answer). The answers count 1/3 towards the grade on the home exam.

- 1 What is Socrates trying to demonstrate when he asks the slave boy to double a square?
- 2 What categories does Aristotle divide living beings into?
- 3 What is the difference between human beings and animals according to Descartes?
- 4 Kant claims that the law of causality is synthetic a priori. What does he mean by this?
- 5 What does Smart's postulate about 'ripples in the water' mean?
- 6 What is the purpose of a virtuous life according to Hursthouse?
- 7 What is the principle of conventionality according to Feldman?
- 8 What role do habits play in Hume's epistemology?
- 9 Deontology gives the right priority over the good, according to Fried. What does this mean?
- 10 What is the prerequisite for having interests according to Singer?

### *Long answers:*

#### **Part I**

Please answer one of the two questions below. The answer should not be more than 400 words. The answer counts 1/3 towards the grade on the home exam.

1 Is morality based on reason or feelings, or both? Draw on the work of two philosophers from the syllabus in your answer.

2 Are human beings and animals fundamentally different? Discuss different views and arguments, drawing on the work of two philosophers from the syllabus.

#### **Part II**

Please answer one of the two questions below. The answer should not be more than 400 words. The answer counts 1/3 towards the grade on the home exam.

1. All actions have consequences. What role do consequences play in different normative ethical theories? Draw on two normative ethical theories from the syllabus in your discussion.

2. Is it ever morally acceptable to tell a lie? Draw on the work of two philosophers from the syllabus in your discussion.