

Philosophy and Ethics questions

Philosophy: Believing in God

A questions - Answer in three full sentences. Start a new line for every sentence.

Outline three things the revelation of Jesus shows about God's nature. (3)

Outline three types of revelation. (3)

Outline three things visions show about the nature of God. (3)

Outline three things miracles show about the nature of God. (3)

Outline three types of religious experience. (3)

Outline three types of moral evil. (3)

Outline three types of natural evil. (3)

B questions - Answer in two paragraphs; starting a new line for each paragraph. Each paragraph should contain a point and an explanation of that point.

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe that Jesus is the culmination of God's revelation. (4)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe that the Bible proves the existence of God. (4)

Explain two examples of Biblical visions. (4)

Explain two examples of non-Biblical visions. (4)

Explain two reasons why visions may lead to belief in God. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to visions. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to visions. (4)

Explain two examples of Biblical miracles. (4)

Explain two examples of non-Biblical miracles. (4)

Explain two reasons why miracles may lead to belief in God. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to miracles. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to miracles. (4)

Explain two examples of religious experience. (4)

Explain two reasons why religious experience may lead to belief in God. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to religious experience. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to religious experience. (4)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe the Design Argument leads to belief in God. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to the Design Argument. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to the Design Argument. (4)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe the Cosmological Argument leads to belief in God. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to the Cosmological Argument. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to the Cosmological Argument. (4)

Explain two reasons why the problem of evil leads some Christians to examine or reject their belief in God. (4)

C questions - Answer in two paragraphs; starting a new line for each paragraph. Each paragraph should contain a point and an explanation of that point. One of your points should contain a source of wisdom and authority (eg Bible / sayings of saints or the Pope / prayers etc.)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe that Jesus is the culmination of God's revelation. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe that visions are important. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two beliefs about God's nature which Catholics believe are shown by visions. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe that miracles are important. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two beliefs about God's nature which Catholics believe are shown by miracles. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe that the Design Argument is important. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why Catholics believe that the Cosmological Argument is important. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why evil and suffering in the world cause a problem for Catholic belief. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two ways in which Catholics respond to the problem of evil and suffering. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

D questions - Answer in a minimum of 3 paragraphs - one explaining arguments for the statement, one explaining arguments against the statement and a conclusion. In each paragraph you should try to include: Point, Explanation, Source of wisdom and authority, Analysis and Counter argument.

"The Bible proves that God exists." (12)

"Visions prove that God exists." (12)

"Miracles prove that God exists." (12)

"Religious experiences prove that God exists." (12)

"The Design Argument proves that God exists." (12)

"The Cosmological Argument proves that God exists." (12)

"Evil and suffering in the world are not the fault of God." (12)

"Evil and suffering in the world are not a problem for Catholics." (12)

Ethics: Relationships in the 21st Century

A questions - Answer in three full sentences. Start a new line for every sentence.

Outline three marriage vows. (3)

Outline three Catholic teachings about marriage. (3)

Outline three Catholic teachings about sexual relationships. (3)

Outline three Catholic teachings about sexual relationships outside of marriage. (3)

Outline three Catholic teachings about homosexuality. (3)

Outline three Atheist and Humanist attitudes to sexual relationships. (3)

Outline three reasons why the family is important to Catholics. (3)

Outline three different types of family. (3)

Outline three ways the Catholic Church tries to help families. (3)

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Outline three reasons why support from the Church for families is important. (3)

Outline three Catholic teachings about contraception. (3)

Outline three types of contraception. (3)

Outline three Catholic teachings on divorce. (3)

Outline three Catholic teachings on annulment. (3)

B questions - Answer in two paragraphs; starting a new line for each paragraph. Each paragraph should contain a point and an explanation of that point.

Explain two Catholic teachings about marriage. (4)

Explain two reasons why marriage is important for Catholics. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to marriage. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to marriage. (4)

Explain two Catholic teachings about sexual relationships. (4)

Explain two Catholic teachings about sexual relationships outside of marriage. (4)

Explain two Catholic teachings about homosexuality. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to sexual relationships. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to sexual relationships. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to same-sex relationships. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes same-sex relationships. (4)

Explain two reasons why the family is important to Catholics. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to different types of family. (4)

Explain two non-religious ideas about the family. (4)

Explain two ways the Catholic Church tries to help families. (4)

Explain two reasons why the Catholic Church tries to help families. (4)

Explain two reasons why support from the Church for families is important. (4)

Explain two Catholic teachings about contraception. (4)

Explain two non-Catholic Christian teachings about contraception. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist teachings about contraception. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to contraception. (4)

Explain two Catholic teachings about divorce. (4)

Explain two Catholic teachings about annulment. (4)

Explain two non-Catholic Christian teachings about divorce. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist teachings about divorce. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes to divorce. (4)

Explain two advantages of divorce according to Situation Ethics. (4)

Explain two disadvantages of divorce according to Situation Ethics. (4)

Explain two Catholic attitudes towards the role of men and women in the family. (4)

Explain two non-Catholic attitudes towards the role of men and women in the family. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes towards the role of men and women in the family. (4)

Explain two Catholic attitudes towards gender prejudice and discrimination. (4)

Explain two examples of Catholic opposition towards gender prejudice and discrimination. (4)

Explain two non-Catholic attitudes towards gender prejudice and discrimination. (4)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes towards gender prejudice and discrimination. (4)

Explain two Catholic responses to the Atheist and Humanist attitudes towards gender prejudice and discrimination. (4)

C questions - Answer in two paragraphs; starting a new line for each paragraph. Each paragraph should contain a point and an explanation of that point. One of your points should contain a source of wisdom and authority (eg Bible / sayings of saints or the Pope / prayers etc.)

Explain two reasons why Catholics get married. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why Catholics are against people having sex before they are married. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why Catholics are against same-sex marriage. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why the family is important for Catholics. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why the local Parish helps families. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why there are different Christian attitudes to contraception. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two Catholic attitudes to contraception. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two Atheist and Humanist attitudes to contraception. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why the Catholic Church does not allow divorce. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why a Christian may look to Situation Ethics to make a decision about divorce. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why there are different Christian attitudes to equal roles of men and women in the family. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why there are different Christian attitudes to equal roles of men and women in religion. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

Explain two reasons why Catholics are opposed to gender prejudice and discrimination. In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority. (5)

D questions - Answer in a minimum of 3 paragraphs - one explaining arguments for the statement, one explaining arguments against the statement and a conclusion. In each paragraph you should try to include: Point, Explanation, Source of wisdom and authority, Analysis and Counter argument.

"Couples who live together are living in sin." (12)

"You cannot break a marriage vow." (12)

"Marriage is the most important sacrament." (12)

"Sex should only take place in a marriage." (12)

"Marriage is for a man and a woman." (12)

"The family is more important for Catholics than non-religious people." (12)

"A nuclear family is the best type of family." (12)

"The help of a local parish is what makes a family successful." (12)

"The world would be a better place if everyone followed the Catholic teachings on contraception." (12)

"Using artificial methods of contraception is a sin." (12)

"Christians should never divorce." (12)

"Men and women are totally equal and so should have completely equal roles in the family." (12)

"Men and women are totally equal and so should have completely equal roles in the Church." (12)

"Christians should never treat women differently from men." (12)