

General Certificate of Education  
June 2003  
Advanced Level Examination



**PHILOSOPHY**  
**Unit 4 Themes**

**PLY4**

Thursday 19 June 2003 Afternoon Session

**In addition to this paper you will require:**  
a 4-page answer book.

Time allowed: 1 hour

**Instructions**

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is PLY4.
- Answer **one** question.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want marked.

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- You will be assessed on your ability to use an appropriate form and style of writing, to organise relevant information clearly and coherently, and to use specialist vocabulary, where appropriate.
- The degree of legibility of your handwriting and the level of accuracy of your spelling, punctuation and grammar will also be taken into account.

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Answer **one** question.

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**Theme: Philosophy of Mind**

**1**

**Total for this question: 50 marks**

- (a) Describe and illustrate **two** criticisms of dualism. *(18 marks)*
- (b) Assess the view that the mind is the brain. *(32 marks)*

**2**

**Total for this question: 50 marks**

- (a) Describe and illustrate how solipsism is possible. *(18 marks)*
- (b) Assess solutions to the problem of other minds. *(32 marks)*

**Theme: Political Philosophy**

**3**

**Total for this question: 50 marks**

- (a) Describe and illustrate **two** differences between negative freedom and positive freedom. *(18 marks)*
- (b) Assess whether laws should attempt to uphold the moral standards of society. *(32 marks)*

**4**

**Total for this question: 50 marks**

- (a) Describe and illustrate **two** criticisms of the view that punishment should be used as a deterrent. *(18 marks)*
- (b) Assess whether we have an obligation to obey an unjust law. *(32 marks)*

**Theme: Philosophy of Science**

**5**

**Total for this question: 50 marks**

- (a) Describe and illustrate **one** explanation of how scientific revolutions occur. *(18 marks)*
- (b) Assess the view that science is a rigorously critical activity. *(32 marks)*

**6**

**Total for this question: 50 marks**

- (a) Describe and illustrate the problem of induction. *(18 marks)*
- (b) Assess the extent to which scientific method is appropriate in the social sciences. *(32 marks)*