



General Certificate of Education  
Advanced Subsidiary Examination  
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# Philosophy

# PHIL2

## Unit 2 An Introduction to Philosophy 2

Tuesday 24 May 2011 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

**For this paper you must have:**

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

**Time allowed**

- 1 hour 30 minutes

**Instructions**

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is PHIL2.
- Answer **four** questions.
- Choose **two** themes and answer **both** questions on each theme.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

**Advice**

- You are advised to read through the examination paper before you attempt the questions.
- You are advised to spend the same amount of time on each theme.

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**Theme 1: Knowledge of the external world**

**0 1** Outline and illustrate **two** ways of distinguishing primary from secondary qualities. (15 marks)

**0 2** 'Sense-data theories cause more problems than they solve.'  
Assess whether this claim is justified. (30 marks)

**Theme 2: Tolerance**

**0 3** Explain and illustrate **two** characteristics of a tolerant individual. (15 marks)

**0 4** Assess whether a liberal society should tolerate religious minorities. (30 marks)

**Theme 3: The value of art**

**0 5** Explain and illustrate **two** reasons for regarding form as important in judging a work of art. (15 marks)

**0 6** 'We value art because of the information it conveys.'  
Assess the validity of this claim. (30 marks)

**Theme 4: God and the world**

**0 7** Outline and illustrate **two** reasons for supposing natural disasters are compatible with the existence of God. (15 marks)

**0 8** 'We see examples of design throughout the natural world and conclude that an intelligent designer is clearly demonstrated.'  
Assess whether this argument succeeds. (30 marks)

**Theme 5: Free-will and determinism**

**0 9** Explain and illustrate the distinction between determinism and fatalism. (15 marks)

**1 0** Assess the claim that we are responsible for our actions. (30 marks)

**END OF QUESTIONS**