

HUL 360 Selected Topics in Philosophy

Major

2 hrs

15 marks

1. Can we conceive a human subject as an individual non-self? If yes, how? If no, why?
(5)
2. Imagine two bird watchers A and B. A comes from a country where there are no peacocks and she has not seen them, or heard about them. B has seen peacocks before and knows a lot about them. Both A and B, together are watching a peacock. What will be the difference in the content of their experience? Discuss.
(5)
3. Write brief notes on the following. (1 mark each)
 - a. "To be is the value of a bound variable"
 - b. "Every thought about the world would have to be at least a thought in the world. We cannot think the world from above or from the outside, and for this reason we literally cannot think about the world."
 - c. "Whereas others must rely on what I say and do in order to know what I think or feel, my access to my own psychological states isn't exclusively based on behavioral evidence."
 - d. To take an example, the stone which has not yet existed not only cannot now commence to be unless it has been produced by something which possesses within itself, either formally or eminently, all that enters into the composition of the stone.....
 - e. "Knowledge of the actual location of the object, I claim is neither necessary nor sufficient for the access of the motor intentional activity directed towards it."