

HUL 360: Selected Topics in Philosophy  
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Minor 2

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## Instructions

1. Please take the first ten minutes to think about your answer and make notes; only start writing your answer after that.
2. Be as clear and precise as possible, and illustrate your answer with examples.
3. Feel free to write in Hindi, or to use Hindi words and phrases in your answer.

## Question 1 (10 marks, 1000-1200 words)

Consider the following theory of punishment: "It is just to punish offenders because doing so gives a feeling of satisfaction to victims and their families."

- (a) Is this a retributivist theory of punishment? Explain why or why not.
- (b) Analyse this theory in light of each of the four principles (guilt, equal treatment, proportionality, and excuses) discussed by Rachels.

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