

1. Explain the most important differences between Kantian ethics and utilitarianism.
2. Explain the first formulation of Kant's Categorical Imperative (from the Sandel reading).
3. What does the word "happiness" mean in the classical tradition?
4. Explain in detail the privation theory of evil.
5. What do the character and description of Lady Philosophy tell us about Boethius's understanding of philosophy?
6. Explain Lady Philosophy's arguments that bodily pleasure does not bring happiness.
7. Explain the connection between unity and goodness in the *Consolation of Philosophy*.
8. Explain how Lady Philosophy defends her claim that "the powerful men are in fact always the good, while the wicked are always the abject and the weak."
9. Explain the overall plan for Descartes's *Meditations on First Philosophy*.
10. Descartes uses the image of a sailor and ship to explain his understanding of the soul and body. Explain his point.
11. Explain both the similarities and differences between the concepts of the "soul" found in Plato and Descartes.
12. Explain what methodological doubt is and how Descartes employs it for his *Meditations*.
13. Explain the first argument for God's existence in Meditation 3.
14. Explain Elisabeth's objection to Descartes's dualism.
15. Compare and explain the positions of Nussbaum and the stoics on hope.
16. Explain why Frankl believes that we should *not* ask about the meaning of life. What is his alternative?
17. Explain what Frankl means by tragic optimism.
18. What is the form of the good?
19. What is "virtue" and how did it come up in this class?
20. Explain the death of God.
21. Explain Kierkegaard's theory of the spheres of existence.
22. Explain what Kierkegaard means by subjectivity.