

**Philosophy – The Big Questions
Unit 1 In-Class Evaluation**

Throughout Unit 1, we have explored different perspectives on what it means to be a person.

- Choose one of the below questions to answer
- Provide three different arguments to support your position (one paragraph per argument)
- Writing in 1st or 3rd person is fine
- Size 12 font, double spaced, approx. 400-500 words
- Upload to brightspace assignment folder when complete

1. If your physical body, your thoughts, your psychological makeup, and your experiences constantly change over time, then are you one and the same person from one day to the next, one year to the next, and one decade to the next?

- If yes, what is it that makes you the same person over time? Explain.
- If no, explain why not.

OR

2. Is thinking the feature that, all on its own, makes a human being a person? If this were true, then could other thinking things (i.e. animals and computers) also qualify as persons? Explain.

*Refer to different philosophers/theories/concepts we have studied to support YOUR view.

Criteria	Level 4	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1	B/E
COMMUNICATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Answer is clearly articulated and well organized • Minimal errors in spelling and grammar 	Excellent	Very Good	Adequate/ Good/ Satisfactory	Complete/ Needs Improvement	Incomplete/ poorly done
THINKING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent supporting evidence (relevant examples and logical references to philosophers and theories). 	Excellent	Very Good	Adequate/ Good/ Satisfactory	Complete/ Needs Improvement	Incomplete/ poorly done
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