A-level
PHILOSOPHY
Paper 2  The metaphysics of God and the metaphysics of mind

Specimen  Time allowed: 3 hours

Materials
You will need no other materials.

Instructions
• Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
• Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
• Answer all questions.
• You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or in the blank pages.
• Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information
• The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
• The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
• You will be assessed on your ability to:
  − use good English
  − organise information clearly
  − use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
Section A – The metaphysics of God

Answer all questions in this section.

01
Explain the difference between the claims ‘God is eternal’ and ‘God is everlasting’.

[3 marks]

02
Explain the evidential problem of evil.

[5 marks]
Outline Aquinas' Third Way.

[5 marks]
Compare and contrast Paley’s and Swinburne’s versions of the design argument.

[12 marks]
Is religious language meaningful?

[25 marks]
Section B – The metaphysics of mind

Answer all questions in this section.

What do eliminative materialists claim about mental states? [3 marks]

Outline Descartes' conceivability argument for substance dualism. [5 marks]
Explain how Block’s China thought experiment can be used to argue against functionalism.

[5 marks]
Outline mind-brain type identity theory and explain how the issue of multiple realisability challenges this view.

[12 marks]
Does philosophical behaviourism give the correct account of mental states?

[25 marks]
END OF QUESTIONS