

Welcome to the Southam College  
Sixth Form



# Welcome to A level Philosophy and Ethics

# Why chose A Level Philosophy and Ethics?

- ▶ We have **OUTSTANDING** teaching in this subject
- ▶ August 2019 we achieved 83% A\* - B at A Level
- ▶ At AS Level we achieved 90% A - C in August 2019
- ▶ We use a wide range of teaching styles from debates, to discussions and formal essay writing
- ▶ We are the best which can only make you the best philosophers!!



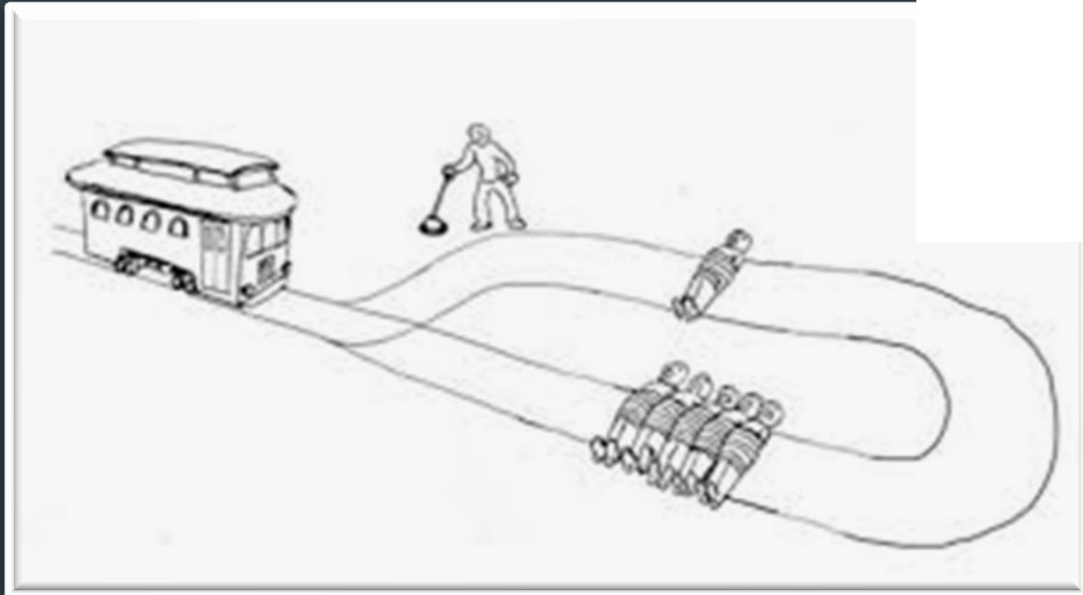
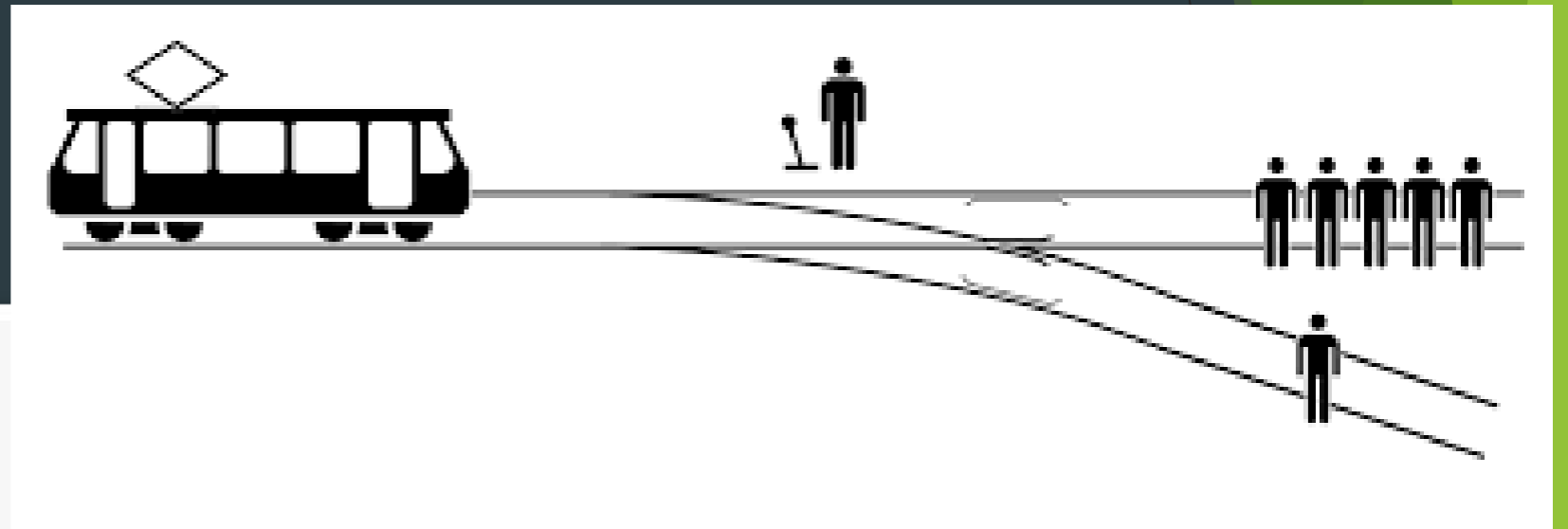
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- ▶ Philosophy is a subject which you won't have studied before
- ▶ Philosophy asks deep questions, which includes questioning the meaning of life? What our purpose is? If we even have a purpose? Is there any form of existence after this life? What makes us who we are? Where does evil originate from? Do we truly have freewill?
- ▶ Ethics asks questions about your everyday life and evaluates how we come to know our morality. It encourages you reassess how you go about your everyday life in the world and makes you think on a deeper level of what really is wrong and right. Ethics is involved in every judgement you make and there's no escaping it.
- ▶ Christian Thought - Explores human nature, the self and the afterlife. Within this we examine sin and grace and the concepts of Christian Ethics. Are Christian Ethics and values the right way to live or are these Ethics now out of date and irrelevant?



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- ▶ Have a look at this 'ethical' dilemma as an example of what Ethics is and what you will study as part of your Philosophy and Ethics A Level



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3i2-Dj1e2wM>



# Where will A Level Philosophy and Ethics take you?

- ▶ Students who have studied Philosophy and Ethics at A Level have gone onto study the following:
- ▶ Medicine - Ethical decision making
- ▶ Politics - Debating philosophical and ethical issues
- ▶ Teaching - Primary and Secondary
- ▶ Police - Ethical decision making 
- ▶ Lawyer - Ethical law and discussing ethical issues
- ▶ International Relations - Debating and discussing
- ▶ Forensic science - Ethical law
- ▶ Social Work and Policy - Ethical decision making
- ▶ Marketing and advertising - Ethics behind advertising
- ▶ Film, Culture and The Media - Exploring Philosophical, Ethical and Cultural themes within the media



# A Level Philosophy and Ethics enrichment



▶ Global Virtues ambassadors promote the following:

- ▶ Democracy
- ▶ Rule of law
- ▶ Individual Liberty
- ▶ Mutual respect
- ▶ Tolerance



# A Level Philosophy and Ethics

- ▶ Memorable experiences that have been organised in the past:
  - ▶ University conferences including Worcester and Chester
  - ▶ Rome
  - ▶ Spiritualist visit
  - ▶ Age UK
  - ▶ International Peace Conference
  - ▶ KS5 Debate Club
  - ▶ Homeless Shelter visit
  - ▶ Foodbank visit
  - ▶ Coventry Women's Aid
  - ▶ Red Cross, Alpha Charity, Help The Heros and a Prison Officer visit



# A Level Philosophy and Ethics entry requirements

- ▶ Entry requirements for Philosophy and Ethics include a Grade 6 in English Literature or Language, desirable
- ▶ GCSE Religious Studies is not required





# A Level Philosophy and Ethics

I opted to take Philosophy as it provides a fascinating insight into real-world debates, issues, and dilemmas; As well as providing a whole new perspective of looking at the world and universe. There are many different aspects to the course of Philosophy, such as different theories of existence, ethical theories, including their applications to different scenarios, from Business Ethics to Euthanasia. Philosophy is a vast subject that is applicable to all subjects, such as Psychology, English Literature/Language, Sociology, and Politics. Within Philosophy lessons, there are many debates and discussions into topic areas which help with not only the development of knowledge and understanding but also personal confidence!  
(Current Year 13 Student)



Doing A-level Philosophy was one of the most challenging yet beneficial experiences of sixth form. For anyone wanting to go into Politics, Journalism, Law or Academia, I would seriously urge them to take on this wonderful course. Doing International Relations at King's College London now, I feel like I'm a step above the other students that didn't take Philosophy not just because the way my teachers prepared me to think critically but also the way they encouraged me to write essays to the highest of standards."

Christopher Simmons, 2018



# A Level Philosophy and Ethics

- ▶ If you would like more information on the A Level Philosophy and Ethics course, please see Mrs Thomas for more details.



- ▶ We look forward to working with you in September 2021 😊

