



A Level Philosophy and Ethics



TASK 1:

- **DEFINE THE FOLLOWING KEY TERMS**

Key term	Definition
Philosophy	
Epistemology	
Metaphysics	
Ethics	
Validity	
Logic	
A priori	
A posteriori	
Sense experience	
Predicate	
Tautology	
Empirical knowledge	
Normative ethics	
Applied ethics	
Metaethics	

TASK 2:

- **CREATE A TIMELINE OF IMPORTANT PEOPLE RELATED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHICAL THOUGHT. INCLUDE ALL OF THOSE LISTED BELOW AND FEEL FREE TO ADD YOUR OWN. INCLUDE SOME BRIEF INFORMATION ABOUT EACH ENTRY.**

Socrates

Plato

Aristotle

Irenaeus

St Augustine of Hippo

Boethius

Gaunilo

St Anselm

St Thomas Aquinas

Rene Descartes

David Hume

Immanuel Kant

Jeremy Bentham

John Stewart Mill

Charles Darwin

Richard Swinburne

Sigmund Freud

Wittgenstein

Bertrand Russell

John Hick

Anthony Flew

Richard Dawkins

Peter Singer

TASK 3:

- **CREATE A SHORT PRESENTATION ON ONE CHOSEN PHILOSOPHER FROM YOUR TIMELINE ABOVE. THIS MUST INCLUDE THE PHILOSOPHER'S BACKGROUND/PHILOSOPHICAL OR ETHICAL CONCEPT AND ASSESS THE PHILOSOPHICAL/ETHICAL IDEA, WHAT ISSUES ARISE FROM SUCH IDEAS? INDICATE THE POSITIVES AND NEGATIVES OF THIS PHILOSOPHICAL OR/AND ETHICAL IDEA.**

TASK 4:

➤ PANPSYCAST PODCAST: EUTHANASIA PART 1

(Ignore the bad joke at the start) go to 2.45! <https://tinyurl.com/RSEuthanasia>

Theme	Notes
The word Euthanasia	
The Ancients and Euthanasia	
Voluntary Euthanasia-consent	
Non-voluntary Euthanasia	
Involuntary euthanasia-murder	
Living will	
Active Euthanasia	
Passive Euthanasia	
Assisted Suicide	
The Law in the UK	

The Law in the world	
PVS	
Sanctity of Life	
Imago Dei	
Church views	
Quality of Life	
High Quality of life	
Low Quality of life	
Control of your body	
Libertarianism	
Case study 1 Belgium- Frank Van Den Bleeken (FVD)	

FVD Bleeken and Natural Moral Law (NML)	
Principle of double effect	
Fletcher and Euthanasia	
FVD and Situation Ethics (SE)	
Jesus and FVD Bleeken	
Justice and FVD	
Pragmatism and FVD	

OPTIONAL PREPARATION:

WHAT CAN I WATCH?

Crash Course Philosophy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNYJQaZUDrI&list=PL8dPuuaLjXtNgK6MZucdYldNkMybYIHKR>

School of Life

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VDiyQub6vpw&list=PLUHoo4L8qXtioCFtkDBK_L2bac_P5Sh

Films

The Matrix, I Robot, Eye in the Sky, The Truman Show, Life of Pi, The Sea Inside, The Good Place (Netflix)

WHAT CAN I LISTEN TO?

- The Panpsycast is a great Podcast and is used for wider reading homework within the course in more detail.

<https://thepanpsycast.com/home>

- BBC Sounds has some great podcasts however they are quite heavy so don't worry if you get a little confused but a good place to stretch yourself though.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p01f0vzr? page=1>

Listen to whatever takes your interest. For Philosophy specifically, you could concentrate on the ones below by simply searching them on BBC sounds:

Plato's Republic, St Thomas Aquinas, Augustine, The Ontological Argument, The Soul, Kant, Relativism, Utilitarianism, William James.