Course Title: A Level Philosophy – Student day/conference

About this event:

This event is aimed at students who are taking AQA A Level Philosophy. It may also be of interest to those who are about to take the course or are studying a related qualification such as A Level Religious Studies. The event will provide stimulating talks on several different topics on the specification as well as a session on exam technique.

Students will gain:

- Understanding of several different topics from different aspects of the course: Epistemology, Moral Philosophy, Metaphysics of God, Metaphysics of Mind.
- High quality resources including lecture notes and PowerPoint slides.
- Understanding of what examiners look for in A Level Philosophy answers.

Session Outlines

A typical full day event would be divided into 4 sessions. The programme below is given as an example – other topics/titles could be delivered on request

Session 1: Rationalism vs Empiricism A look at some famous thinkers who are on either side of this philosophical divide developing their key ideas through short text extracts. Looking at some of the arguments that might help us decide who is right.

Session 2: The only way is Ethics – sources: a walk through Utilitarianism, Kantian Deontological Ethics and Aristotle's Virtue Ethics looking at some text extracts to help us understand these different theories. Discussing the strengths and weaknesses of each theory, vote for which is best.

Session 3: Meet the Examiner: a look at what makes for good exam technique and a chance to practice being the examiner on some sample answers. Focusing particularly on the 25-mark essay questions

Session 4: EITHER Dualism vs Materialism thought experiments and arguments from the Philosophy of Mind **OR : Does the idea of God prove his existence?** Exploring the Ontological Argument from Anselm and Descartes

Delivery Options

All schools and colleges are different in terms of available time. Full day, half day or even twilight options are available where a half day or twilight covers some of the above by agreement. A more bespoke package tailored to your needs can be delivered as required. The above package can be delivered online if this is preferred or in the event of face to face delivery not being possible.

Your trainer

Chris Eyre has been a head of department and teacher of A level RS and Philosophy teacher for over 20 years. He is also an experienced examiner: he is currently Principal Examiner for a leading exam board. He has co-written a number of textbooks and revision guides for A Level Religious Studies. He has considerable experience as a CPD trainer in a range of settings

For booking or more information

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