Study Guide for Philosophy 100 Final

I Epistemology and Metaphysics Section

Know the definitions of epistemology and Metaphysics

Know the difference between Mind brain Identity Theory, which is part of the mind body problem and Personal Identity, which has to do with how we define a person over time.

Know the difference between apriori knowledge and a posteriori knowledge.

Know the three different proofs for the existence of God including Contemporary intelligent design arguments, which are apart of the teleological proof.

Know Locke’s causal theory of perception and what two types of qualities make up our perceptions.

Berkeley’s Critique of Locke

Berkeley’s argument for why everything is mind dependent

Know what Qualia is

Know Ivan’s argument for why he must deny God being all-good and Heaven

Know the difference between Functionalism, Behaviorism and Identity Theory, which are all Physicalist theories.

Know Descartes’ First and second meditation

Know the difference between Determinism, Indeterminism, Libertarianism and Compatibalism.

Know the Dualist position and their argument for the non-physical mind existing

Know Hume’s argument against the teleological proof for the existence of God.

Short answer Questions

What does Descartes find doubtful in the beginning of the first meditation?

What is Aquinas’ proof for the existence of God?

What are the three traditional criteria for having knowledge?

What does a Determinist believe and Why?
What are the similarities between determinism and compatibilism?
Lock, Berkeley and Hume are all in what epistemological group?

**II Ethics Section**
Know Hume and A.J. Ayers critique of Ethics
Know Rachels’ critique of the argument
Know the difference between a prescriptive claim and a descriptive claim.
Know the main point of Plato’s Book “Euthyphro”
Know Judith Jarvis Thomson’s argument for why some abortions are permissible.
Know the basic thesis of Utilitarianism
Know the two types of Utilitarianism and how they differ.
Know Kant’s argument for how we ought to treat one another.
Kant’s Two Categorical Imperatives
Peter Singer argument for Famine relief.

**Short Answer Questions**
What are the basic problems with Utilitarianism?
According to Thomson what does the right to not be killed mean and why?
What are Kant’s two categorical imperatives?
Utilitarianism is based on three basic principles what are they?
Singer argues that proximity from suffering people as well as giving the minimum amount to suffering people, are not good reasons to not give as much aid as possible to the suffering. Why not?