Study Guide, Final
Philosophy 106

Chapter 1
1. Know what Critical Thinking is (p. 2-5)
2. Basics of an argument (p. 5-12)
3. The two types of arguments (p. 14-16)
4. Truth, knowledge and value judgments (p. 16-17)

Chapter 2
1. Know the different parts of an argument (p. 41-43)
2. Deduction
   A. Know what makes a deductive argument valid or invalid
   B. Know the two criteria for sound and unsound
3. Inductive arguments
   A. Know what makes an inductive argument strong or weak
   B. Know the two criteria for a cogent argument.

Summary: Be able to do the following: explain the difference between deductive and inductive arguments; recognize deductive and inductive argument forms in a short passage; know what makes an argument valid and sound, and what makes an argument strong and cogent.

Chapter 3
1. Know the difference between vague and ambiguous statements. Can be very tricky! (p. 69-81)

Summary: recognize vague and ambiguous statements.

Chapter 6
1. Appeal to force (p. 186-188)
2. Appeal to emotion, Pity, Apple Polishing, Guilt Trip, Wishful Thinking and Peer Pressure (p. 1188-1191)
3. Argument from popularity (p. 1192-194)
4. Two wrongs make a right (196-197)
5. Red Herring (p. 197)

Chapter 7
1. Ad Hominem Fallacy: Abusive, Inconstancy, Circumstantial, Poisoning the Well and Genetic Fallacy. (p. 212-215)
2. Straw Man (p. 215-217)
3. False Dichotomy or False Dilemma (p. 217-220)
4. Slippery Slope (p. 21-22)
5. Misplaced Burden of proof (p. 22-224)
6. Appeal to Ignorance (p. 224-226)
7. Begging the Question (p. 229-228)

Other Fallacies to Know:
Tu Quoque (you too)
Composition and Division
Unqualified authority
Hasty generalization
Gamblers fallacy
Weak analogy

Summary: Be able to do the following: recognize when informal fallacies are being committed in a passage, and explain why it represents an instance of that fallacy; provide a general definition of each informal fallacy.

Chapter 9
1. Basic Truth Functions (p.297-301)
2. Regular Truth tables for Arguments, be able to test for validity  (p. 302-309)

Summary: Know the basic truth functions of each connective. When given an argument be able to construct a truth table for it and illustrate whether it is a valid invalid argument

Chapter 12
1. Be able to differentiate between value judgments and non moral claims.
2. Be able to differentiate between Moral Value Judgments and Non-Moral Value Judgments.
3. Moral Principles one and two, I.E. Consistency and Burden of Proof Principles
4. Consequentialism and Utilitarianism
   A. What is the basic argument that utilitarians make?
   B. What are the problems with Act-Utilitarianism
   C. How does John Stuart Mill get around these problems?
   D. What are the problems with His version of Utilitarian?
5. Know the main point of Plato’s Book “Euthyphro” How does it pertain to “Divine Command Theory” or “Religious Absolutism”
6. What does Religious absolutism contend
7. What is “Moral Relativism”
8. Virtue Ethics as it pertains to what is described in the book
9. What is Deontology
10. What is Kant’s Categorical Imperatives and what is their logic.
11. What is Moral Rights? And what are our Basic Rights