



The Philosophers

Exam A

ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. What four categories of philosophy does Mr. Callihan mention? Give a brief definition of each. (12 pts.)

2. In what sense did Socrates claim he was wise? (8 pts.)

3. Why has Gnosticism been such a persistent ideological temptation for Christians through the ages? (12 pts.)

4. Why does Socrates bring up a city in his discussion of the human soul? (8 pts.)

5. According to Aristotle, what is wisdom? (12 pts.)

6. What is perfect friendship and why is it rare? (12 pts.)

7. Why does Aristotle say that plot is more important than character in a play? (8 pts.)

8. What does Mr. Callihan say that stories do for us? (8 pts.)

9. The Apostle Paul quotes pagan authors of his time. What does Mr. Callihan say we should therefore do in our day? (10 pts.)

10. What is the main thing that Mr. Callihan says the Greeks failed to do as a culture? (10 pts.)

EXTRA CREDIT

11. Though a classical education is not common today, why is it useful to learn from the books of the past? (5 pts.)

12. How can it be a good thing for heresies to arise? (5 pts.)
