

Study Guide for Quiz 3 – Final Official Version

1. Explain the difference between practical reasons to believe in God and theoretical reasons to believe in God.
2. PEE* the argument from meteorology. What does this show about the importance of having a clear conception of God before engaging in debate about God's existence?
3. Present and fully explain the official Phil 100A definition of the concept of God. Be sure to define any technical terms that appear in your account.
4. What are the traditional perfections? Explain why we define omniscience as we do, rather than just by saying "all-knowing". What other properties is God traditionally thought to have? State Principle G.
5. IEE* three versions of the Sandbox Cosmological Argument. Draw and explain appropriate diagrams to illustrate the arguments.
6. IEE* Paley's Argument from Design. Discuss an objection based on an alleged ambiguity in the concept of a purpose.
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8. Identify and explain Anselm's Ontological Argument. Describe Gaunilo's Parody and discuss what it shows about Anselm's Argument. Be prepared to discuss whatever you take to be the most serious objection to this argument.
9. IEE* the argument about the Problem of Evil. Be prepared to explain and comment upon the Free Will Defense and the Necessary Evils Defense.
10. Be prepared for a required extracto.

IEE* = If this is on the quiz, the argument itself will be provided on the second page of the quiz. You will be required to identify, explain, and evaluate.