

THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE

EXAMINATION FOR THE ORDINARY DEGREE OF BA

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5704 PHILOSOPHY IB: MORALITY, SOCIETY & THE INDIVIDUAL

TIME: TWO HOURS

[In addition, candidates are allowed TEN minutes before the examination begins, to read the paper.]

**ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS,
ONE FROM SECTION ONE AND ONE FROM SECTION TWO.**

ANSWER EACH QUESTION ON A SEPARATE PAGE

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SECTION ONE

- 1 Describe and assess the Deterrence and Retributive Theories of punishment.
- 2 Discuss the morality of abortion
- 3 Do we assume determinism? Is determinism a well-supported hypothesis? Also briefly indicate how such questions are related to the issue of free-will.
- 4 Both the libertarian and the soft determinist believe that we are free, that we could have done otherwise. Indicate how they differ in their accounts of what it is to be free, to have been able to do otherwise. Assess the soft determinist viewpoint.
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SECTION TWO

- 1 'The sole end for which mankind are warranted, individually or collectively, in interfering with the liberty of action of any of their number is self protection'. (J. S. Mill) Explain and critically assess Mill's principle.
- 2 Discuss the issue of Legal or Governmental Paternalism. Your answer must include some discussion of Mill's view.
- 3 What is meant by positive and negative freedom? What does Norman take to be the fundamental sense of freedom? How does he think such freedom can best be achieved?
- 4 Discuss the issue of social (rather than legal or democratic) equality.

END OF EXAMINATION QUESTIONS