

Philosophy for Beginners,

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Reading List: Lecture One:

- Waterfield, R: The First Philosophers: The Pre-Socratics and the Sophists (2000 Oxford World Classics) ISBN 0-19-282454 – 6
- Plato: Five Dialogues: Euthyphro, Apology, Crito, Meno, Phaedo (transl. By G.Grube, publ. 2002, Hackett) ISBN-10: 0872206335
ISBN-13: 978-0872206335
- Barnes, J: Aristotle: A Very Short Introduction (Oxford, 2002) ISBN-10: 0192854089 ISBN-13: 978-0192854087
- Descartes, R: Meditations on First Philosophy (Cambridge University Press 1996) ISBN-10: 0521558182 ISBN-13: 978-0521558181
- Priest, S: The British Empiricists (Routledge 2006) ISBN-10: 0415357241
ISBN-13: 978-0415357241
- Mill, J.S. &
Bentham, J: Utilitarianism and Other Essays (Penguin Classics) ISBN-10: 0140432728 ISBN-13: 978-0140432725
- On Liberty (Longman) ISBN-10: 0140432078 ISBN-13: 978-0140432077
- Grayling, A: Wittgenstein: A Very Short Introduction (Oxford 2001) ISBN-10: 0192854119 ISBN-13: 978-0192854117

General Introductions to Philosophy:

- Russell, B: The Problems of Philosophy (Echo 2007) ISBN-10: 1406841102
ISBN-13: 978-1406841107
- Blackburn, S: Think, (Oxford 1999) ISBN: 0-19-210024-6
- Law, S: The Philosophy Gym (Headline 2003) ISBN: 0-7472 -3268 – 7
- Baggini, J &
Fosl, P: The Philosopher's Toolkit, (Blackwell 2003) ISBN:0-631-22874-8

Lecture Two: Logic and argument.

- Priest, G: Logic: A Short Introduction (OUP ISBN 0-19-289320-3)
- Hodges, W: Logic, (London, Penguin 1977) ISBN-10: 0141003146
SBN-13: 978-0141003146
- Read, S: Thinking About Logic; An Introduction to the Philosophy of Logic
(Oxford paperbacks , 1995) ISBN-10: 019289238X
ISBN-13: 978-0192892386
- Haack, S: Philosophy of Logics (CUP, 1978) ISBN-10: 0521293294
ISBN-13: 978-0521293297
- Sainsbury, M: Logical Forms: An Introduction to Philosophical Logic
(Blackwell's, 2000) ISBN-10: 0631216790
SBN-13: 978-0631216797

Lecture Three: Ethics and Politics.

- Aristotle: The Nicomachean Ethics, (transl. by Terence Irwin (Hackett
Publishers 1988, especially Books 1–3.
- Hughes, G. J. Aristotle on Ethics, London, Routledge (2001).
- Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, 2005 '[Aristotle's Ethics](#)'
- Kant, I.: Groundwork for the Metaphysic of Morals, Hill, T. (ed.), Zweig,
A. (trans.), Oxford, Oxford University Press (2003).
- Kant's Groundwork is also available on line in a translation into modern idiom by the philosopher Jonathan Bennett:
- Kant, I.: [Groundwork for the Metaphysic of Morals](#) , Bennett, J. (trans.)
- Scruton, R.: Kant, Oxford, Oxford University Press 1982.
- Mill, J. S., Utilitarianism, Crisp, R. (ed.), Oxford, Oxford University Press
1998 (first published 1863).
- Crisp, R.: Mill On Utilitarianism, London, Routledge 1997

Lecture Four: Metaphysics and Epistemology

Metaphysics:

Loux, M: Metaphysics: A Contemporary Introduction (Routledge 1998) ISBN:)-415-26107 – 4

Loux, M: Metaphysics: Contemporary Readings (Routledge 2001) ISBN-10: 0415261090 ISBN-13: 978-0415261098

Crane, T &
Farkas, K: Metaphysics: A Guide and Anthology (OUP 2004) ISBN-10: 0199261970
ISBN-13: 978-0199261970

Epistemology:

Dancy, J: An Introduction to Contemporary Epistemology (Blackwells, 1985) ISBN-10: 0631136223 ISBN-13: 978-0631136224

Sosa, E
& Kim, J: Epistemology: An Anthology (Blackwell's 1999) ISBN-10: 0631197249
ISBN-13: 978-0631197249

Pritchard, D: What Is This Thing Called Knowledge? (Routledge 2006) ISBN-10: 0415387973 ISBN-13: 978-0415387972

Lecture Five: Philosophy of Mind and Language

Philosophy of Mind

Chalmers, D: Philosophy of Mind, classical and contemporary readings OUP 2002, ISBN 0-19-514581

Crane, T: The Mechanical Mind: A Philosophical Introduction to minds, machines and mental representations, Penguin 1995 ISBN 0-14-016857-5

Philosophy of Language

Lycan, W: Philosophy of Language: A Contemporary Introduction, Routledge 1999, ISBN 0415171164

Additional topics: Philosophy of Science and of Religion

Philosophy of Science:

Okasha, S: A Very Short Introduction to Philosophy of Science (OUP 2002) ISBN-10: 0192802836 ISBN-13: 978-0192802835

Chalmers, A.F: What is this Thing Called Science? (Open University Press, 1999)
ISBN-10: 0335201091 ISBN-13: 978-0335201099

Rosenberg, A: Philosophy of Science: A Contemporary Introduction (Routledge
2005) ISBN-10: 0415343178 ISBN-13: 978-0415343176

Philosophy of Religion:

Davies, B: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion (OUP 2003) ISBN-
10: 0199263477 ISBN-13: 978-0199263479

Brown, S: Philosophy of Religion: An Introduction with Readings
(Routledge, 2000) ISBN-10: 0415212383 ISBN-13: 978-
0415212380

Mawson, T: Belief in God: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion
(Clarendon Press, 2005) ISBN-10: 0199284954 ISBN-13: 978-
0199284955

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here:

<http://onlinecourses.conted.ox.ac.uk/subjects/philosophy.php>