



# Victorian Certificate of Education 2010

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## STUDENT NUMBER

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# PHILOSOPHY

## Written examination

Monday 15 November 2010

Reading time: 11.45 am to 12.00 noon (15 minutes)

Writing time: 12.00 noon to 2.00 pm (2 hours)

## QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

### Structure of book

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
A	4	4	15
B	3	3	15
C	3	3	15
D	3	1	15
			Total 60

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

### Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 11 pages.

### Instructions

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- All written responses must be in English.

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**SECTION A**

**Instructions for Section A**  
Answer **all** four questions.

**Question 1**

In the debate with Callicles, Socrates holds that ‘self-discipline makes for greater happiness than self-indulgence’.

Why does he think this? Is his case convincing?

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4 marks

**Question 2**

‘To say that happiness is the chief good seems a platitude, and a clearer account of what it is is still desired.’ (Aristotle)

Outline and evaluate some elements in Aristotle’s ‘clearer account’ of happiness.

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**Question 3**

Outline and evaluate Nietzsche's main criticisms of contemporary European morality.

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**Question 4**

Murdoch thinks that the advance of science has made life seem 'self-enclosed and purposeless'. To develop a better view of life, what strategies does she recommend?

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3 marks

Total 15 marks















