## **Philosophy Made Simple**

# Introduction – What is philosophy?

Always answer on a separate sheet in full sentences and with examples where possible. Blend quotes into your own sentences if you can't paraphrase an answer. Look for the sub-headings – they are at the start of each section. (/20)

#### Popular usages

- i. "Philosophy" as a word is derived from which Greek phrase?
  - i. Philosophy is derived from the Greek term "love of \_\_\_\_\_"
- ii. Explain the three popular usages of the word "philosophy". (3)

#### **Popular conceptions**

iii. Explain the two popular attitudes or conceptions of what we think philosophers actually do with their time. (2)

## The Philosophical Enterprise

- iv. After examining "the universe at large and the world of human affairs", what has the philosopher attempted to do? (1)
- v. We all have information and opinions. What do philosophers insist we do with our information and opinions? (1)

#### **The Socratic Contention**

- vi. How did Socrates defend his vocation (aka his life's work) as a philosopher? (1)
- vii. What is "philosophizing" according to Popkin and Stroll? (2)

#### What does a philosopher do?

viii. What can't philosophers agree upon? (1)

### Varieties of philosophy

ix. How do the aims of Descartes and Marx differ? (1)

#### Who Are Philosophers?

- x. Despite the point in Section 5, most philosophers share which conviction? (1)
- xi. What do philosophers say to those who *feel* an answer is correct? (1)

#### Two examples/The Greek Philosophers

xii. What did the Greek philosophers challenge 2500 years ago? What did they want instead? (2)

#### The Book of Job

xiii. What did the writer of the Book of Job have to settle for? (1)

#### **Conclusion**

xiv. Are you the type of person who just accepts an answer, or do you often question its validity (truthfulness)? Explain! (3)