

What is Philosophy?

The study of the fundamental nature of knowledge, reality, and existence, especially when considered as an academic discipline.

There are six types of Philosophy, which are Metaphysics, Epistemology, Value-Theory, Ethics, Aesthetics, and Logic.

Metaphysics

Definition: The study or theory of reality.

Examples; What is reality? What is real?

Is reality some kind of "thing"?

Is it one or many "things"?

Epistemology

Definition: The study or theory of knowledge.

Examples: What is knowledge?

What does it mean "to know"?

Can we be really certain of anything?

Value-Theory

Definition: The study of value.

Examples: What is value?

The value of tables, steaks, political ideologies, laws, actions, etc.

Famous Names in Philosophy

Plato

Socrates

Aristotle

Nietzsche

Kant

Locke

Marx

Descartes

Diderot

Machiavelli

Ethics

Definition: The study of moral value, right and wrong.

Examples: What is morally good?

Are there any absolute or universal moral principles? What is right?

Aesthetics

Definition: The study of beauty and art.

Examples: What is art?

Is there any objective standards in which artistic works may be judged?

Logic

Definition: The principles of right reasoning.

Examples: What is/the purpose of logic?

Is logic relative or absolute?

(Mostly a tool used by Philosophers.)

Philosophy Quote

