

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

M. PHIL. EXAMINATION 1999 for Internal Students

PHILOSOPHY

Monday, 10 May. 10.00 - 1.00.

Heidegger

Answer THREE questions.

1. Does Heidegger's talk of 'entities' (*Seiendes*) presuppose just that ontology of 'Things' from which he wishes to detach us?
2. Does Heidegger have anything useful to say about the sciences?
3. 'Heidegger's distinction between the *existentiell* and the *existential* is no more than an application of the Kantian distinction between experience and the transcendental conditions which make it possible.' Discuss.
4. Is answering an examination question on Heidegger merely 'passing the world along'?
5. Why must Dasein 'choose its hero'?
6. In what sense, if any, is death Dasein's 'ownmost, non-relational possibility'?
7. 'Heidegger's ontology is a theology without God.' Discuss.
8. What does Heidegger mean by 'the destruction of the history of ontology', and how persuasive is his claim that this is required?
9. When Heidegger asks 'How is it with nothing?' (*What Is Metaphysics*) is he making a logical mistake?
10. 'With his later turn to "thinking" Heidegger ceases to be of interest to philosophers.' Discuss.

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