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Mini Paper 6

Instructions: this assignment should be **printed out** and turned in **in class** on **October 17**. This paper should be under a page. I like to grade as anonymously as possible, so please **do not put your name on the top of the paper**, **but instead put it on the opposite side of the page (or on a second page, if you can't print double-sided).** If you have any questions about how to complete the assignment, please let me know.

This mini-paper will focus on the first paragraph of the excerpt from David Hume's An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding. This paragraph, as it stands, is somewhat difficult to understand. I would like you to explain what Hume is saying in the paragraph.

In other words, suppose you were tutoring a high school student and she or he said to you: "I find this paragraph sort of confusing. Can you please explain to me what is going on in it?" In this minipaper, you should do so.

Here are some reminders of things that may be helpful.:

- Use words to mark the structure, such as "firstly, secondly, thirdly" or "so far I have done ... now I will do ..."
- Don't be repetitive or give irrelevant information.
- Use simple words when possible and do not use long complicated sentences.
- Don't use technical terms without explaining them.
- Using examples can be helpful.