## Daniel Immerman Introduction to Philosophy

## Reading Questions for September 12

These questions cover pages 42 to 45 of Robert Nozick's book, *Anarchy, State, and Utopia*. In particular, they cover the section titled "The Experience Machine." The answers do not have to be turned in. You will probably have to do the reading more than once to get the answers.

- 1. Nozick introduces the example of the experience machine in part to criticize utilitarians. See if you can figure out for yourself how it is supposed to be a criticism of utilitarians.
- 2. On pages 43-4, Nozick gives three different reasons for not plugging into the machine (he introduces them with "first" "a second reason" and "thirdly.") Are these reasons any good?