

Reading Questions for October 30

These questions cover three readings regarding how to write philosophy papers, one from Jim Pryor, one from Angela Mendelovici, and one from Simon Rippon. The answers do not have to be turned in.

*Background:*

At times in this half of the semester we're going to look at some tips about how to improve some skill we're practicing in this class. For today, the tips will be about writing philosophically. After we discuss these, we'll switch back to the question for this week and discussion what you take to be the best response to the problem of evil.

*Questions:*

1. I've given you three readings on how to write philosophy papers. That's a fair bit of reading, so you shouldn't feel obliged to read them all thoroughly if you don't want; it could be that you'll find some more useful than others. Here are some questions to think about when reading them: What tips that you read do you think are most important? Which ones were most surprising? Are there any that you disagree with?
2. What do you take to be the best response to the problem of evil? How might someone criticize your response? How would you respond to them?