

Reading Questions for December 4

These questions cover a chapter by Jennifer Radden called “Identity: Personal Identity, Characterization Identity, and Mental Disorder” from a book called *The Philosophy of Psychiatry, A Companion*. The answers do not have to be turned in. You will probably have to read more than once to get the answers.

*Background:*

We’re continuing discussing the question: what makes up my identity? Today we’re looking at identity and mental illness. As noted before, for this section of the course, you all are practicing the skill of identifying questions to focus on while reading. I’ve given you a somewhat long reading, so it will be especially important to start by skimming through to identify the key parts, so you can focus your attention on these.

*Questions:*

1. If you were preparing reading questions for this text, what are the questions you would ask?
2. What are the answers to your reading questions?