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Question 1 — Arguments in Action

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(a) What is an argument in philosophy?

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(b) Add the missing premises or conclusions to form valid arguments.

(i) Premise 1 All fruits are edible.

Premise 2 An apple is a fruit.

Conclusion

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(ii) Premise 1 If I am in Glasgow, I am in Scotland.

Premise 2

Conclusion Therefore, I am in Scotland.

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(c) The following is an everyday argument. Write down the premises and conclusion in standard form.

James is telling a lie. When people tell a lie they blush. Look at his face - he's blushing.

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You claim that the boy did not steal the goods but why should anyone listen to you? Your father was caught speeding on the motorway.

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(c) Descartes aimed to find a certain foundation for knowledge.
Explain why Descartes thought the Cogito gave him that foundation.

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(d) “Descartes’ Cogito has no weaknesses.”

Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer.

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Question 2 (continued)

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- (e) Explain **one** reason why Hume believed that we do not have any innate ideas.

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Question 3 — Moral Philosophy

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(a) State the meaning of the term “consequentialism”.

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(b) (i) What is Rule Utilitarianism?

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(ii) Describe **one** weakness of Rule Utilitarianism.

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Your best friend has invited your group of friends to the cinema for her birthday. You are not old enough for the film and look young for your age. Your friend offers to organise fake ID for you.

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You have raised £300 for a local charity. Your family is desperate for money. You are tempted to keep the money for your family.

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