

B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2017
Semester-VI
Philosophy
Course – H-13
(Western Epistemology)

Time: 3 Hours

Full Marks: 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.

Answer **any four** questions from the following.

1. Give an account of knowledge by description, after Russell. How does 'knowledge by description' depend on 'knowledge by acquaintance'? 7+3=10
 2. Critically explain the coherence theory of justification of belief. 10
 3. State and explain the different uses of the term 'knowledge'. Do you think that 'knowledge how' depends on 'knowledge that'? Give a reasoned answer. 7+3=10
 4. Critically explain the Pragmatic theory of truth. 10
 5. State and explain the entailment theory and incompatibility thesis regarding the relation between knowledge and belief. 5+5=10
 6. Explain the main arguments in favour of scepticism. What is the difference between 'real knowledge' and 'practical knowledge'? 7+3=10
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