

Second Paper Topic
Philosophy 22
Fall, 2009

You are to give a textual analysis on the topic described below. Length should be around five pages. Use annotated quotations from the texts to back up your assertions about their contents. Please confine your research to the course reading assignments and materials from the lectures and discussion sections (including notes written for this class on the Web). Please double-space and leave adequate margins for comments by the grader.

As this is a General Education “Writing Experience” course, papers will be graded in part on the basis of organization, style, use of language, and logical coherence. It is expected that you will use the comments you receive on your writing in this paper to improve the quality of your writing on the second paper.

Due: Monday, November 23, 2009, in class.

No paper will be accepted after the last day of instruction, **December 4, 2009**.

Explain the treatment of causality in Locke and Hume. You should (at the least) examine these questions. What is the origin of our idea of a causal relation? What is the nature of the relation of cause and effect? Why do we believe that there are causal relations? What kinds of things can be causes and what kinds of things cannot be causes?