MAULANA AZAD COLLEGE

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY MODEL QUESTIONS SEM-4,CC-10

MCQ/Objective type (Each question carries 1 Marks):-

- 1. What is the topic of semantics?
- 2.What is a word?
- 3. What is a symbol?
- 4. What is a sign?
- 5. What is an ambiguity?
- 6.Do you know the solution of this problem?-- is an example of a) propositional knowledge b) knowledge through acquaintance c)knowing how or ability.
- 7.A black cat is black-- is a case of a)strong sense b) weak sense of knowing.
- 8. The statement "all red things are coloured" is a) synthetic b) analytic
- 9.To go back to the past is a)logically possible b)logically impossible c) practically possible.
- 10.Physical objects are logical constructs out of sense-data-- is the opinion of the a)Rationalists b) Phenomenalists c) Empiricists.
- 11. State Lock's definition of substance?
- 12. How do you distinguish between a law and the theory?
- 13. What is an a priori statement?
- 14. Who advocated the theory of conceptualism?
- 15. Write the name of the philosopher who believes in the necessary connection between cause and the effect.
- 16. Who are the skeptics?
- 17. Who says that 'I think therefore I am.'
- 18. Whose theory leads to solipsism?

Short type (Each question carries 5 Marks):-

- .1.Put correct quotation marks in the following sentence.
- Cats is a word which stands for the word cats, which stands for cats.
- 2. What does epistemology deal with?
- 3. What is truth as coherent?
- 4. what do you understand by ostensive definition? Explain with examples.
- 5.In what sense has the word 'know' been used in the following sentences?

- a)Do you know how to perform autopsy?
- b)Do you know what happened to him after he left home?
- 6.Distinguish between strong sense and weak sense of knowing.
- 7a.What is the meaning of 'law of nature'?
- b. Which of the following would you consider to be law of nature? a) All crows are black
- c) Iron rusts when exposed to oxygen.
- 8.Is a self contradictory proposition meaningless? Give reasons for your answer.
- 9. How would a phenomenalist translate the following sentence" the table exists in the next room".
- 10. Distinguish between a law and a theory.
- 11. Explain in brief Plato's theory of universals?
- 12. Explain in brief the conceptualist theory of universals?
- 13. Are Arithmetical propositions synthetic or analytic ?Discuss
- 14. What is the problem of induction? Is it a genuine or pseudo problem?
- 15. What is Cause? Briefly discuss the characteristics of Cause.
- 16. What is the sense of the term "must"? Explain with example.
- 17. Distinguish between Logical necessity and Causal necessity.
- 18. Distinguish between Descriptive law and Prescriptive law.
- 19. Explain the concept of Plurality of Cause.
- 20. If I doubt then I must exist—what is the significance of this statement?
- 21. What kind of belief is called Perceptual Realism?
- 22. Distinguish between Illusion and Delusion.
- 23. What is Hallucination?
- 24. Explain the difference between the following:
 - a) To be is to be perceived.
 - b) To be is to be perceivable.

Broad type (Each question carries 15 marks)

- 1. What is correspondence theory of truth? Explain and Analyse.
- 2. What is pragmatic theory of truth? Explain and examine the pragmatic theory of truth.
- 3.a) What are the necessary and sufficient conditions for saying that S knows that P?
- b) In what sense has the word 'know' been used in the following sentences?
- i) Do you know the meaning of 'Xenophobia'?
- ii)Do you know her intimately?
- 4.a) Explain with examples two definitions of analytic statement.
- b) Is the analytic-synthetic distinction tenable? Discuss after Hospers.
- 5.a) Explain different types of possibility and impossibility with illustrations.
- b) How are they mutually related?
- c)Are the following logically possible?
- i) Auditory sensation of some colour.
- ii) For a solid iron rod to float on water.
- iii.) For a thing to be red and green all over at the same time.
- 6.a) Discuss the principal tenets of Phenomenalism.
- b) Explain the defects of this theory.

- 7. Explain and elucidate Plato's theory of Universals? What are the difficulties of his theory?.
- 8. What is the meaning of "law of nature"? Can the law of uniformity of nature provide justification for induction?
- 9. Explain in detail how the nominalistic theory of universals differ from Aristotelian realism?
- 10. What is a Priori statement? Are there a priori statements that are synthetic?
- 11. State the distinction between the philosophers who acknowledge the existence of substance behind qualities and those who commit to the view that substance is nothing but a bundle of qualities?
- 12.. Explain critically David Hume's theory of Causation. What is the actual meaning of the term "constant conjunction"? (5+10)
- 13. Distinguish between necessary and sufficient condition according to J. S.Mill. Explain with example.
- 14. Is the Principle of Causality infallible? Discuss from Empiricist point of view.
- 15. Explain the nature of Apriority of Causal Principle.
- 16. Explain the main tenets of native realism.
- 17. Explain and examine the view called representative Realism.
- 18. Distinguish between strong and weak idealism. Discuss in this connection the thesis-Esse est percipi.
- 19. Explain Berkeley's dictums that the object of knowledge is nothing but the families of sense experience. Explain in this connection Berkeley's account of the distinction between veridical and non-veridical perception.