



Taunton School 13+ Academic Scholarships

Philosophy & Ethics Essay Paper – sample questions

SAMPLE



[Candidates answer one question only in 45 minutes]

Classical Civilisations

- Was slavery wrong even when no-one believed it was?
- What did it mean to be a 'hero' in the ancient world and does it mean the same today?

Geography

- If we successfully landed a human being on another planet, what would he/she most usefully do?
- Can anyone prove how old the Earth is?

History

- Is there such a thing as a true historical record?
- Why are we so keen on telling stories about our past?

Religious Studies

- Why does God allow humans to sin, and sin again?
- Does 'god' have relevance for non-religious people?

*Please note these questions are illustrative only.*