

1: What is behaviourism? [3 Marks]

Errors

- Explanation is not precise enough.
- Fail to identify the analytic reduction; i.e. only talk about a translation of mental states to behaviour.

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2: Explain Ryle's claim that substance dualism makes a 'category mistake'. [5 Marks]

Errors

- Failure to fully explain what a category mistake is; i.e. that it is a logical/semantic error of assigning something to the wrong category – e.g. “numbers” to “things that have weight”.
- Not explaining precisely how Substance Dualism makes a category mistake; i.e. that Descartes assigns “mind” to “thing”, “substance”, “cause”, “effect”, ec.
- Not referring to any of the analogies; e.g. Oxford University or Team Spirit.
- Confusing the charge of a category mistake and substance dualism; i.e. claiming that it involves Substance Dualism positing that mind and matter are the same thing.
- Just outlining Substance Dualism and Soft Behaviourism.

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3: Explain the issue of circularity that behaviourists face when defining mental states. [5 marks]

Errors

- Referring to multiple realisability of behaviour rather than the circularity of the Behaviourist's analysis.
- Not recognising that the circularity lies in needing to refer to mental states in order to explain mental states.
- Focusing too much on the analytic reduction and claiming that to be the issue of circularity.
- Could be more explicit about the circularity of mental states; i.e. only gives an example without really making it explicit.

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4: Outline the view that behaviour is neither a necessary, nor sufficient condition of mindedness (the Super-Spartan and zombie objections). [12 marks]

Errors

- Not identifying the claim that behaviour is not a necessary sufficient condition of mindedness (only focusing on it not being a sufficient definition).
- Mixing up necessary and sufficient conditions.
- Not explicitly identifying necessary or sufficient conditions.
- Only explaining either Super-Spartans or Philosophical Zombies but not both.

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