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PHILOSOPHY IV - (PHG 4)
(An outline of Western Philosophy)

The total number of questions in this paper is 10.

Answer five questions only.

Time allowed: Three (03) Hours

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01. Why are the milesian thinkers considered as the first Greek Philosophers? Discuss.
 02. either
Outline and discuss Socrate's contribution to Western philosophy
or
Elucidate Plato's theory of forms
 03. Would it be correct to say that medieval philosophers ascribes to faith rather than to reason.
 04. How does Thomas Aquinas proves the existence of the God?
 05. Briefly introduce Cartesian method of doubt and explain what Descartes means by 'I think therefore I am'.
 06. How would you understand the term 'Innate Ideas' and critically examine how John Lock rejects the 'innate ideas'.
 07. What is Rationalism? How do you explain difference between Rationalism and empiricism.
 08. What is Russell's logical Atomism?
 09. (i) Briefly introduce Salient features of Later Wittgenstein.
(ii) What is Language game. What roles language-games play.
 10. Write brief account on any two of the following.
 - (i) Immanuel Kant's Corpernicm Revolution.
 - (ii) Marx's Historical Materialism.
 - (iii) Existentialism and Human destination.
 - (iv) Logical positivism.
 - (v) David Hume and Empiricism.
