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Quiz 9
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Indicate whether each statement is true or false.

According to van Inwagen, in "The Argument from Evil,"

1. A defense purports to give God's actual reasons for allowing evil in the world.
2. "Compatibilists" hold that free will is the possession of an unimpeded will.
3. Even if compatibilism were true, God could not have made human beings freely do what he wants them to do.
4. An omnipotent being can bring it about that free beings always freely do what's right.

According to van Inwagen's fully elaborated free will defense,

5. Genes predisposing us to selfishness were present in the gene pool prior to the disaster in which human beings freely turned away from God.
6. The first humans used their free will in such a way as to separate themselves from God.
7. The consequences of separation of God included suffering but not physical death.
8. Before human beings were separated from God, they lived in perfect union with God AND their genetic predisposition to be selfish was easy to resist.
9. In our present state, the more fully you cooperate with God, the less likely you are to have something bad happen to you.
10. God has put a "rescue plan" into effect that will eventually bring everyone back into union with himself.
11. God wants our freely given love.
12. God's reason for not preventing many of the evils in the world is to teach us what it means to be separated from God.