

Phil 3600
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Quiz #4

1. According to Plantinga, our cognitive faculties are reliable if
 - (a) They never mislead us.
 - (b) They produce a vast number of beliefs.
 - (c) The vast majority of the beliefs produced by them are true.**
 - (d) All of the above.
 - (e) None of the above.

2. True or false? According to Plantinga, the theory of evolution is false.

3. For Plantinga, *naturalism* is the view that
 - (a) Everyone behaves in a natural, non-artificial manner.
 - (b) There are no such person as God or anything like God.**
 - (c) Everyone ought to behave in a natural, non-artificial manner.
 - (d) All of the above.
 - (e) None of the above.

4. According to Plantinga, naturalism combined with evolution is
 - (a) True.
 - (b) Self-defeating.**
 - (c) Probably true.
 - (d) All of the above.
 - (e) None of the above.

5. For Sober, a “likelihood argument”
 - (a) Establishes the probability, relative to all our information, of its conclusion.
 - (b) Attempts to show that some observation is more likely given one hypothesis than given one or more alternative hypotheses.**
 - (c) Attempts to show that some hypothesis is definitely true.
 - (d) All of the above.
 - (e) None of the above.

6. **True** or false? According to Sober, the fine-tuning argument is undermined by the fact that we would not be here to observe the fact if the values of the basic physical constants were not right for life.

7. **True** or false? In the firing squad analogy, the prisoner says it's just as likely that the sharpshooters missed by chance as that somebody planned a mock execution.

8. True or **false**? Sober thinks the firing squad analogy strongly rebuts the objection to the fine-tuning argument mentioned in question 6 above.