



The exam for the second unit will be modeled after IB paper 1A.

Watch the short video [“They Are Made of Meat.”](#) Identify the core philosophical issue addressed by the video and the argument that it suggests with regard to this issue. Then construct a persuasive essay structured according to the guidelines established in the ACAR Model of Writing described in class. Keep in mind the following:

- Your essay will argue for one of the perspectives that we have examined in class, so your thesis should be in the form of a statement, rather than a question.
- In your introduction you must clearly connect the stimulus to your argument. If possible, use the stimulus as a source of examples to illustrate the points made in the body of the exam. Remember, however, that your essay is a philosophical argument, not a review, summary or critique of the video.
- Grading is based on the quality of your arguments, not on length. However, it is probably not possible to complete the essay in less than two sides. Most A-B scores in the past have been between 3-4 sides

Please keep the following general requirements in mind:

- You **must** include **at least three** quotes from readings used in class in your paper, but you should use the documents whenever necessary to explore and support your arguments.
- Your argument must be in essay form - it cannot be a series of bullet points.
- You will have only one period to complete this essay, and the essay you submit must be written during this time.
- You may use a single 8.5 x 11 sheet of notes during the exam only.
- You must periodically smile during the exam to indicate the intense joy involved in constructing a well made argument.

The following suggestions are based on the first exam

- Only use two perspectives at most.
- Depth of analysis and argumentation is recommended over breadth of coverage.
- Don't insert quotes from the documents just to insert quotes. Insert them because they advance your argument or provide interesting issues for the development of your essay. Choose your quotes carefully.
- Use the outline template provided to make a detailed outline. You may use this outline on the day of the exam.

This exam will be conducted on Friday, September 8, 2017. It will be worth 10% of your semester grade.