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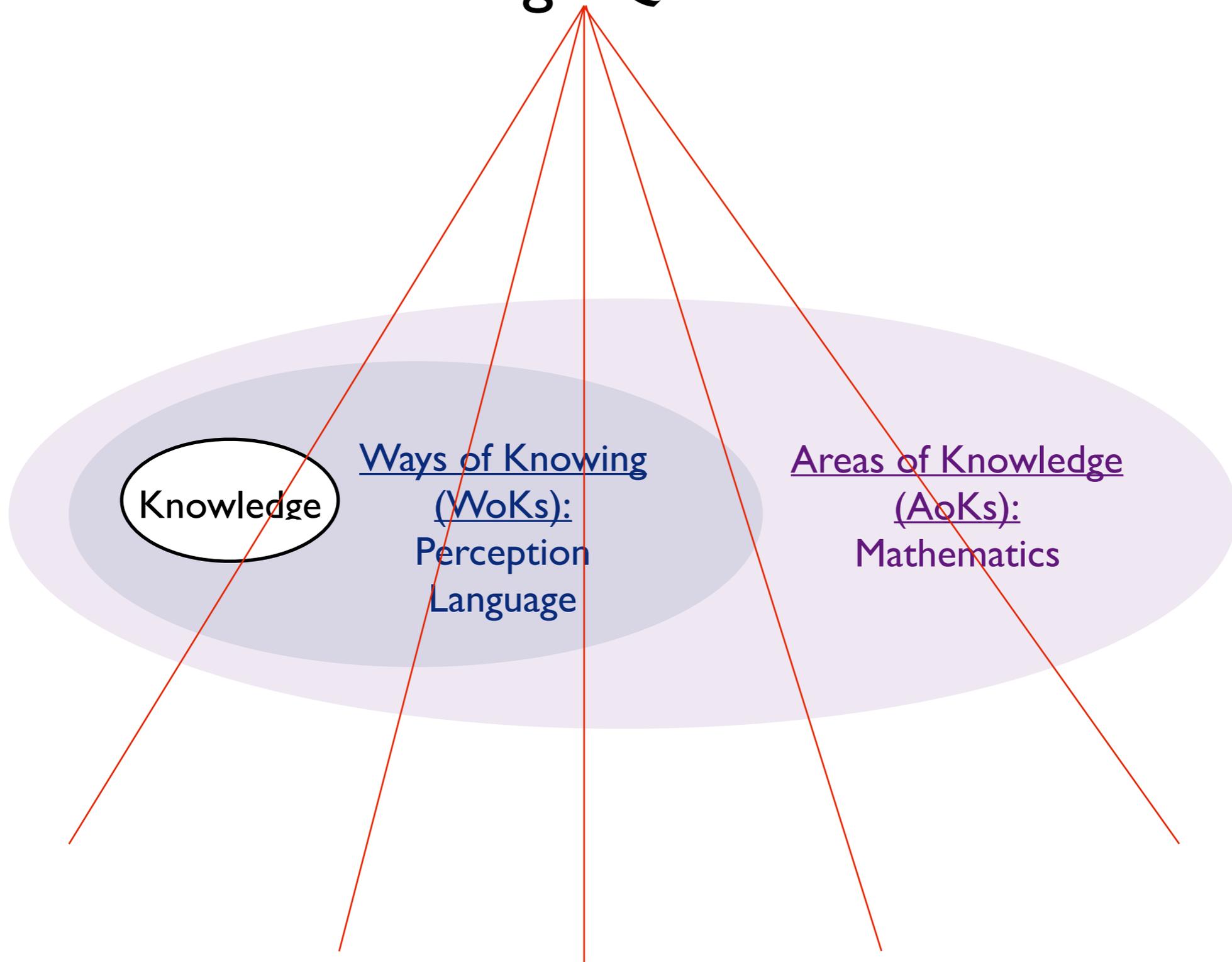
Introduction

The Structure of ToK

Knowledge and Knowers

Ways of Knowing (WoKs):
Perception
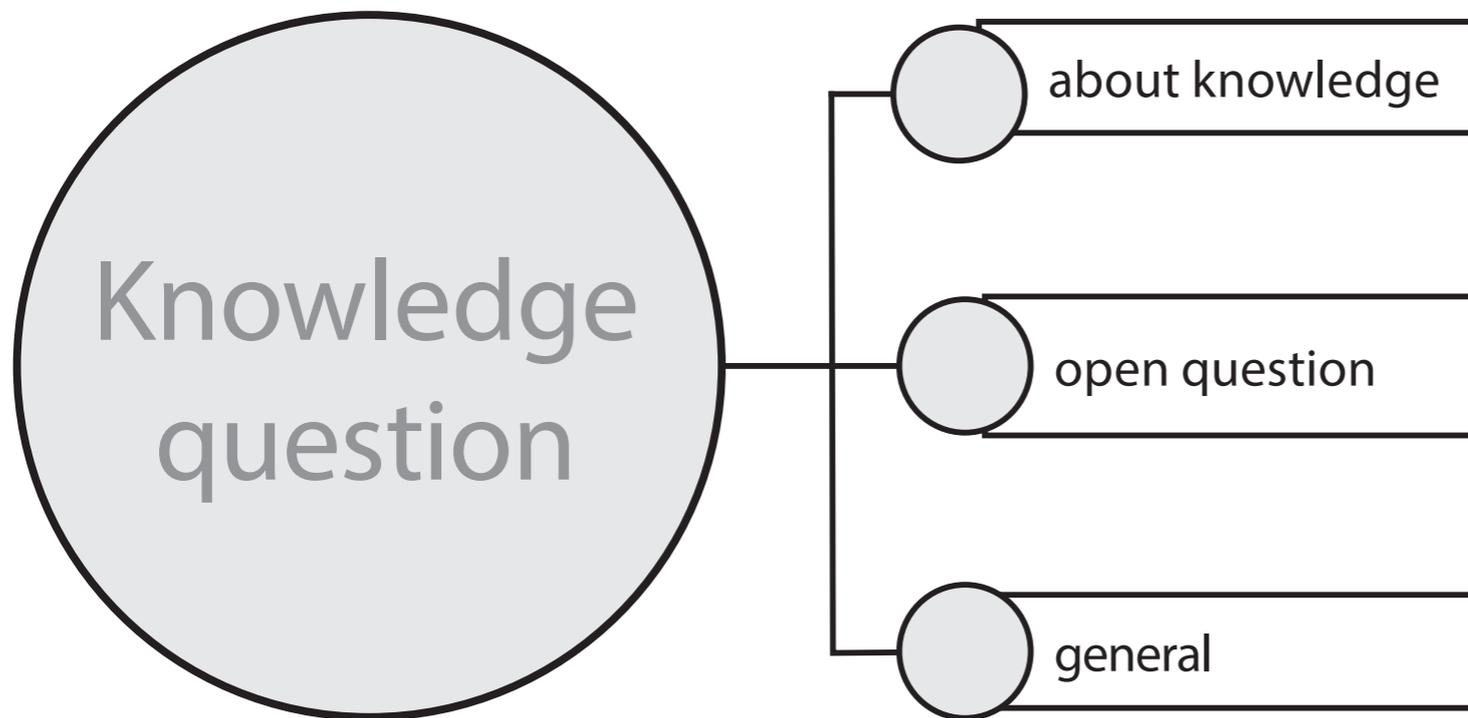Language
Reason
Emotion
Intuition
Faith
Imagination
Memory

Areas of Knowledge (AoKs):
Mathematics
Human Sciences
Natural Sciences
Ethics
History
The Arts
Religious knowledge systems
Indigenous knowledge systems

Knowledge Questions

Knowledge

Ways of Knowing (WoKs):
Perception
Language

Areas of Knowledge (AoKs):
Mathematics

Knowledge Questions

Knowledge question

- about knowledge
- open question
- general

Instead of focusing on specific content, <u>knowledge questions focus on how knowledge is constructed and evaluated</u>

Knowledge questions don't have one single right answer. Knowledge questions (and their answers) are contestable

Knowledge questions are expressed in general terms rather than subject specific terms

Major Assessments in ToK

- Each Semester you will write one formal paper that will be between 1000-1600 words in length. This paper will center on using knowledge questions to explore an aspect of human knowledge. For diploma candidates, one of the papers you write in senior year will be submitted to IB and will count as 67% of your overall IB grade.

- For those who continue into ToK 12, in the Spring of your senior year, you will make a formal presentation that will explore a real life situation in terms of the knowledge questions that arise from that situation. For IB diploma candidates, this will count as 33% of your IB grade.

ToK and the IB Diploma

CASS
+
ToK
+
EE
+

6 tests/including3 HL
24 total points.

Any score below 3
on an HL test must
be made up on
another HL test

		Theory of knowledge					
		Excellent A	Good B	Satisfactory C	Mediocre D	Elementary E	Not submitted
Extended essay	Excellent A	3	3	2	2	1 + Failing condition*	N
	Good B	3	2	1	1	Failing condition*	N
	Satisfactory C	2	1	1	0	Failing condition*	N
	Mediocre D	2	1	0	0	Failing condition*	N
	Elementary E	1 + Failing condition*	Failing condition*	Failing condition*	Failing condition*	Failing condition*	N
	Not submitted	N	N	N	N	N	N