1. What is justice according to Plato?

2. What is teleology?

3. According to Aristotle, what is the final purpose of man?

4. Why did Aristotle prefer Polity to the other two regime types?

5. Why did Hobbes say that it is prudential for citizens to obey the state?

6. Why did Hobbes prefer monarchy?
7. According to Hobbes, what can make man disobey the state?

8. Will civil society provide citizens with perfect liberty? Justify your position.

9. Why did Plato go to Sicily?

10. What happened when Plato returned to Athens from Sicily?

11. List the three major actors in Plato’s ideal state.

12. Why did Plato dislike democracy?

13. Why did Plato distrust aristocracy/oligarchy?

14. What are the three divisions of the soul identified by Plato?

15. What is *Raison d’etat*?

16. What is Realpolitik?
1. Why did Thomas Hobbes describe life in the state of nature as solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short? (10 marks)

2. Explain John Locke’s ideas on private property. (10 marks)
3. Explain what J. J. Rousseau meant by the General Will and particular Will in his theory of social contract? (10 marks)

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4. Explain Aristotle’s ideas on monarchy, aristocracy and polity? (10 marks)

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5. “The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggles” (Marx and Engels). Identify these classes and explain the nature of the struggle. (10 marks)

6. Explain Plato’s idea of the organisation of the state in relation to his method of selection of rulers. (15 marks)
7. Machiavelli identifies six ways available to a leader to behave in order to consolidate power. Explain these ways in relation to the state. (15 marks).
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