SECTION A

SHORT ESSAY (50 marks)

Write an essay on EITHER Question 1 or Question 2.

Question 1
Explain Meno’s paradox concerning the search for knowledge, and explain how, in your view, Socrates’ theory of learning as recollection is supposed to respond to the paradox. (In answering this question, you are not required to explain the conversation between Socrates and the slave boy about the area of the square, though you may refer to that if you wish to.)

Question 2
When Socrates in the Apology asks Meletus who improves the youth, Meletus responds: “The laws.” To what extent do you believe this statement to be true? Give reasons for your answer. (You may refer to Protagoras’ argument/s, if you wish to.)
LONG ESSAY (100 marks)

Write an essay on EITHER Question 3 or Question 4.

**Question 3**
3.1. How convinced are you by Socrates’ argument in the *Apology* that he could not intentionally corrupt someone? Give arguments to support your view.

3.2. How convinced are you that if Socrates corrupted people unintentionally, he should not be punished but instead taken aside and educated about his error? Give arguments to support your view.

**Question 4**
In the *Protagoras*, Protagoras argues that virtue can be taught.

4.1. Explain why Protagoras believes this.

4.2. Do you find his argument/s convincing or unconvincing? Provide reasons for your view.

**Total marks for Section A: 150**

SECTION B

SHORT ESSAY (50 marks) (1-2 pages)

Answer ONE of the following:

5. Explain the allegory of the cave and the role it plays in the argument of *The Republic*.

6. What is a prisoner’s dilemma? What can it tell us about the relation between self-interest and justice?

LONG ESSAY (100 marks) (2-4 pages)

Answer ONE of the following:

7. Which do you think is more profitable – a life of justice or a life of injustice? Why?
8. How do you think you would likely behave if you had something like the ring of Gyges that enabled you to escape any negative consequences for evil actions?

9. In the light of Axelrod’s research which indicates that we do not need central authority in order to develop and maintain cooperation, do you think we need authority structures like government or management, at all? Why?

10. How does the success of Tit For Tat in various Prisoner’s Dilemma tournaments challenge Plato’s ideas about justice? How does it challenge Thrasymachus’s ideas about justice?

**Total Marks for Section B: 150**