Philosophical Questions
3 categories of philosophical question:

- Metaphysics
- Epistemology
- Value
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- Topics included:
  - Causes
  - Nature
  - Motion
  - What things are made of
  - Senses
Metaphysics

- Meta (after) physics
- Topics included:
  - Reality
  - Order vs chaos
  - Origin of world
  - Priority
  - Change
Metaphysics

• Concerns questions about existence, essence, and meaning.
  – Existence: What exists? Why is there something rather than nothing?
  – Essence: What is the nature of ________? Why is ________ the way it is and not some other way?
  – Meaning: What does the word ________ mean?
Epistemology

• Epistemology is concerned with knowledge and understanding.
• To know something is to have a justified true belief.
Epistemology

Propositions

Truths

Beliefs

Knowledge

Poorly justified true beliefs
Values

• **Morality (Ethics)**
• Justice (Social and Political Philosophy)
• Beauty (Aesthetics)
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