Plato

الأسم:	مسابقة في مادّة الفلسفة العامّة	
الرقم:	المدّة: ثلاث ساعات	

Choose <u>One</u> of the following three subjects:

First subject:

Reason is the right reference to make an objective judgment in perception.

1-	Explain this judgment of Kant and state the problematic it raises.	(9 points)
2-	Discuss this judgment in light of other theories that you know.	(7 points)

3- Can the permanent perception of the misfortune of others harden the heart? Justify your answer. (4 points)

Second subject:

Philosophy is dead; philosophers have not kept up with modern developments in science, particularly physics.

1-	Explain this judgment of Stephen Hawking and state the problematic it	
	raises.	(9 points)
2-	Discuss this judgment in light of other views emphasizing the	
	complementarity between science and philosophy.	(7 points)
3-	Can philosophizing and overthinking increase human anxiety? Justify your	_
	answer.	(4 points)

Third subject: Text

- Socrates: This entire allegory (of the cave), I said, you may now add, dear Glaucon, to our previous argument, the sight of the prison and the flame of the fire in it resembles the shining light of the sun; If we resemble the journey upwards and seeing what is on the surface of earth to the ascent of the soul from the prison of ignorance to the supreme intellectual world, then you will not be apart from what I express, as long as you desire to understand it, and God knows whether this is right or wrong. Whether true or false, the opinion that I've chosen means the following: the "Idea of the Good" in the world of knowledge, appears the highest of all we can reach and understand. It is seen only with an effort, but when we see it, we conclude with confirmation that in any condition, it is the source of all what is beautiful and right; in the visible world, it produces the light and the lord of light and in the intellectual world it is the source of reason and truth. He who wants to act with common sense, in public and in private life, has to keep the "Idea of the Good" in front of his eyes.

- Glaucon: I agree with your opinion, as far as I am able to understand you.

1-	- Explain this text and state the problematic it raises.	
2-	Discuss the thesis of the text in light of other attitudes dealing with the	
	problem of the Good and values.	(7 points)
3-	Can man be happy despite the economic crisis? Justify your answer.	(4 points)