Metaphysics Exercise 1


1. According to our reading, which of the following statements is correct?
   a. Socrates is an individual; the whiteness in Socrates is a genus.
   b. Socrates is said of a subject; the whiteness in Socrates is in a subject.
   c. Socrates is not said of a subject; the whiteness in Socrates is said of a subject.
   d. Socrates is a quantity of substances; the whiteness in Socrates is an individual substance.
   e. None of the above.

2. Socrates' arm is in Socrates. Why is it not “in a subject”?
   a. It is not an accident.
   b. It is an accident.
   c. It is not a genus or a species.
   d. It is in Socrates as a part.
   e. (a) and (d).
   f. (b) and (d).

3. Next to each of the items in the right column below, write the letter of the description in the left column which applies. (Note: you will obviously have to use some letters more than once.)

   three inches: ___
   the moon: ___
   the distance to the moon: ___
   Descartes: ___
   whiter than: ___
   yellow: ___
   Descartes’s knowledge of physics: ___
   air: ___
   orangutan: ___
   the volume of the air in this room: ___

4. Which of the following is an eternal, immovable substance (according to Aristotle)?
   a. the moon
   b. virtue
   c. quality
   d. essence
   e. none of the above