

Philosophy of Language: Situation-Based Approaches in Semantics

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## Take-Home Exam

Please elaborate answers (maximally 2 pages per answer) to these questions (which will have equal weight for the grade):

1. Situations, states of affairs, facts, events, and tropes

How do these things differ and how do we refer to them in natural language

2. Events and situations

What roles do they play or have been taken to play in the semantics of natural language?

3. There are two important problems in the metaphysics relations: Bradley's regress and the problem of the order of arguments.

What are these problems and how could they be dealt with?

4. What is truthmaking, in metaphysics and in semantics, and what sorts of things could be truthmakers? Discuss.