Philosophy Final Report: Part I

Introduction

1) State the question you are investigating. Explain what it means. Explain your terms.
2) Explain why you chose this question.

Literature

3) Review typical answers people give to this question.
4) Review what one or more philosophers have said about this question.

Methodology

5) Explain how you investigated your question.
6) Explain what kind of data from real life you need to investigate your question.
7) Formulate your data question with which you collected your data.

Data

8) Give 20 real life examples that you are using as data. Number them.

Analysis

9) Discuss your examples. You can break your examples into features or factors, what makes them the different or the same.
10) Group your examples. You can refer to them by number. You can make a table to show what factors they have.
11) Relate your groups. Think of them as giving different points of view. Draw a structure of how you think they are related.

Conclusion

12) What are the main conclusions that you have found?
13) To what extent have you answered your question? What questions remain further?
14) How can you investigate further?

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New Questions

15) Are you happy with how you formulated your original research question? Why or why not? If not, then how did you restate it?
16) What additional questions did you want to explore?
17) Do any new terms appear in your questions? How do you define them?

New Ideas

19) What philosophy text did you study?
20) What was the philosopher's goal in writing that text?
21) What are the philosopher's ideas that you found interesting?
22) What ideas of your own did that help you develop?
23) What else did you do to get ideas? And what ideas did you get? In particular, did you come up with your own investigatory methods? How did you apply them?
New Data

24) Did you collect additional data? What kind of data did you collect and why? In particular, what was your data question?
25) If you have new data, then list and number the real life examples or other data that you collected.

Grouping and Structuring Your Data

26) Draw pictures or diagrams or tables that show how you grouped and structured your real life examples.
27) Explain the factors which distinguish your groups.
28) Describe the structures by which you organize your groups.

Drawing Conclusions

29) What is the significance of the structures, regularities, principles or truths that you discovered?
30) Where do you think those structures, etc. exist? In the mind? In the world? Or both?
31) What do you think your philosopher might say about those structures?
32) What practical applications do you think your findings might have?
33) What would you like to investigate further?