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Due Date: _____

Introduction

Welcome to this homework sheet on pre-20th century religious language. This topic is crucial in understanding the development of philosophical thought and its impact on religious beliefs and practices. By the end of this assignment, you will be able to analyze and evaluate the key concepts, arguments, and perspectives related to pre-20th century religious language.

Multiple Choice Questions

Choose the correct answer for each question:

1. Who is credited with the development of the concept of analogia entis?

- a) Thomas Aquinas
- b) Immanuel Kant
- c) Friedrich Schleiermacher
- d) Søren Kierkegaard

2. What is the primary concern of the via negativa approach to religious language?

- a) To describe God's attributes
- b) To understand God's nature
- c) To acknowledge the limitations of language when describing God
- d) To prove God's existence

3. Which of the following is a key feature of mystical experiences?

- a) Emphasis on rational understanding
- b) Focus on scripture and tradition
- c) Direct, personal experience of the divine
- d) Rejection of institutional religion

Short Answer Questions

Answer each question in 100-150 words:

1. Explain the concept of analogia entis and its significance in pre-20th century religious language.

2. Discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the via negativa approach to religious language.

3. Describe the role of mystical experiences in shaping pre-20th century religious thought.

Essay Question

Choose one of the following essay questions and write a well-structured response (500-750 words):

1. Evaluate the contribution of Thomas Aquinas to the development of pre-20th century religious language.

2. Discuss the implications of the via negativa approach for our understanding of God's nature.

3. Analyze the relationship between mystical experiences and institutional religion in pre-20th century religious thought.

Extension Activity - Research Project

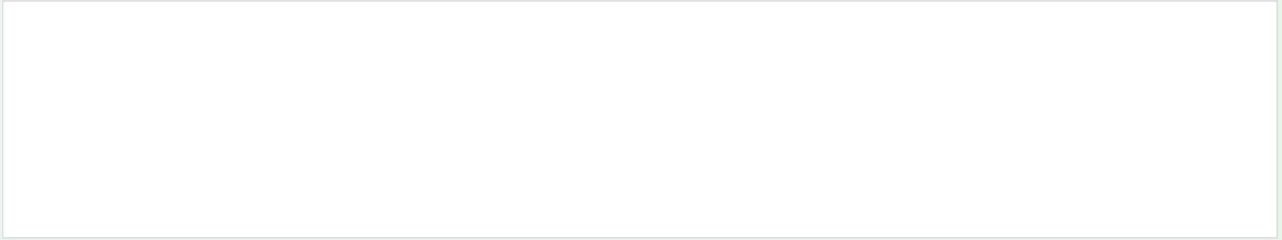
Conduct in-depth research on a specific pre-20th century religious thinker (e.g., Augustine, Aquinas, Eckhart) and their contribution to the development of religious language. Present your findings in a 1000-1500 word essay.

Extension Activity - Debate

Prepare a debate on the topic: "The via negativa approach is the most effective way to understand God's nature." Take on the role of either the proposition or opposition and present your arguments in a 5-7 minute speech.

Extension Activity - Reflective Journal

Keep a reflective journal throughout the assignment, recording your thoughts, questions, and insights on the topic. Write a final reflection (200-300 words) on what you have learned and how your understanding of pre-20th century religious language has developed.

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Success Criteria

To achieve success in this assignment, you will:

- Demonstrate a clear understanding of key concepts and arguments related to pre-20th century religious language
- Analyze and evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of different approaches to religious language
- Present well-structured and coherent written work
- Engage with a range of sources and perspectives
- Meet the deadlines and time guidelines for each activity

To support your child's learning, please:

- Encourage them to manage their time effectively and allocate sufficient time for each activity
- Provide a quiet and comfortable workspace for them to complete the assignment
- Offer guidance on research skills and academic writing
- Encourage them to ask questions and seek help when needed
- Review their work and provide feedback on their progress

Conclusion

By completing this homework sheet, you will have developed a deeper understanding of pre-20th century religious language and its significance in the context of AQA Philosophy. Remember to review the success criteria and seek help when needed. Good luck!