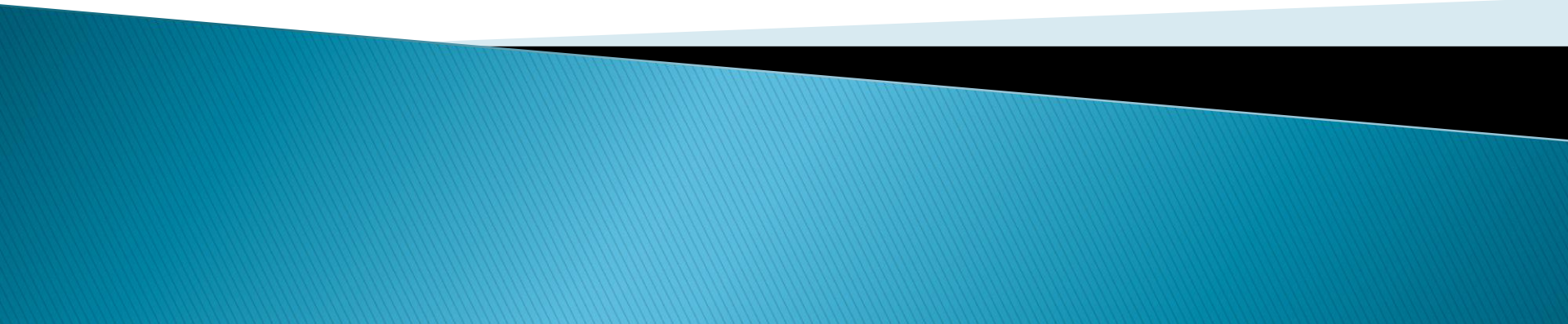


In the Cave:

Philosophy and Addiction



**My name is Peg and I
am...**

A philosopher
An alcoholic

Philosophy is not a luxury

Paulo Freire

Philosophy ought only to be written in the form of a poem

The rock experiences of our daily lives

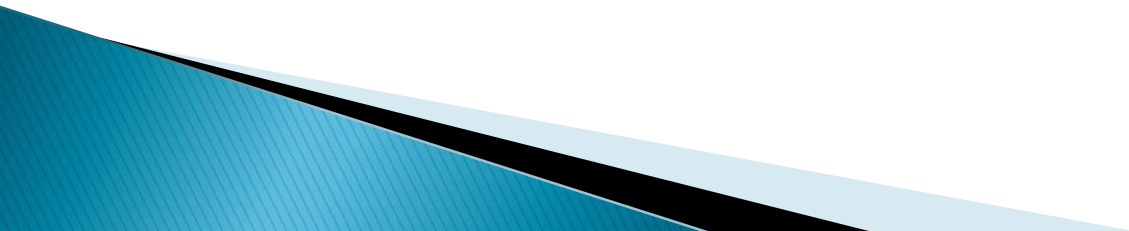
Philosophy is a way of living



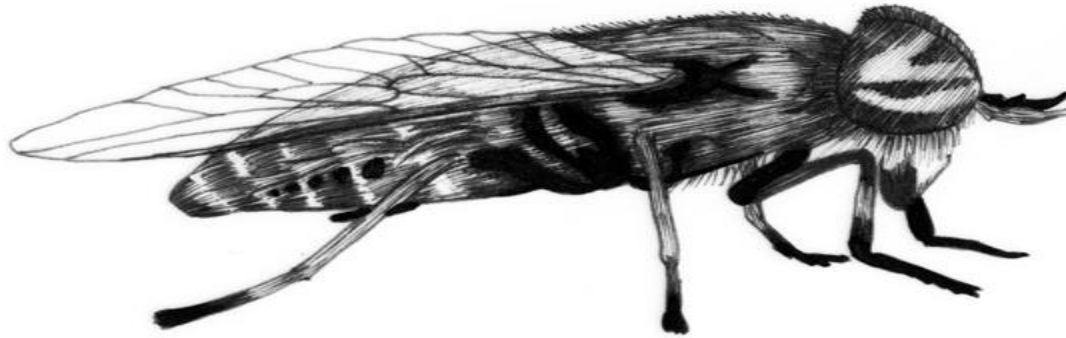
Socrates (470–399 BCE)

Socrates

The unexamined life is not worth living.



Gadfly



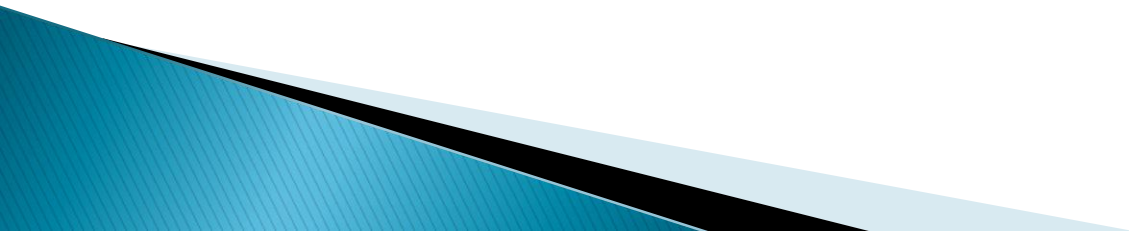
Drawing of a philosopher at rest but preparing to annoy

Socrates's Trial

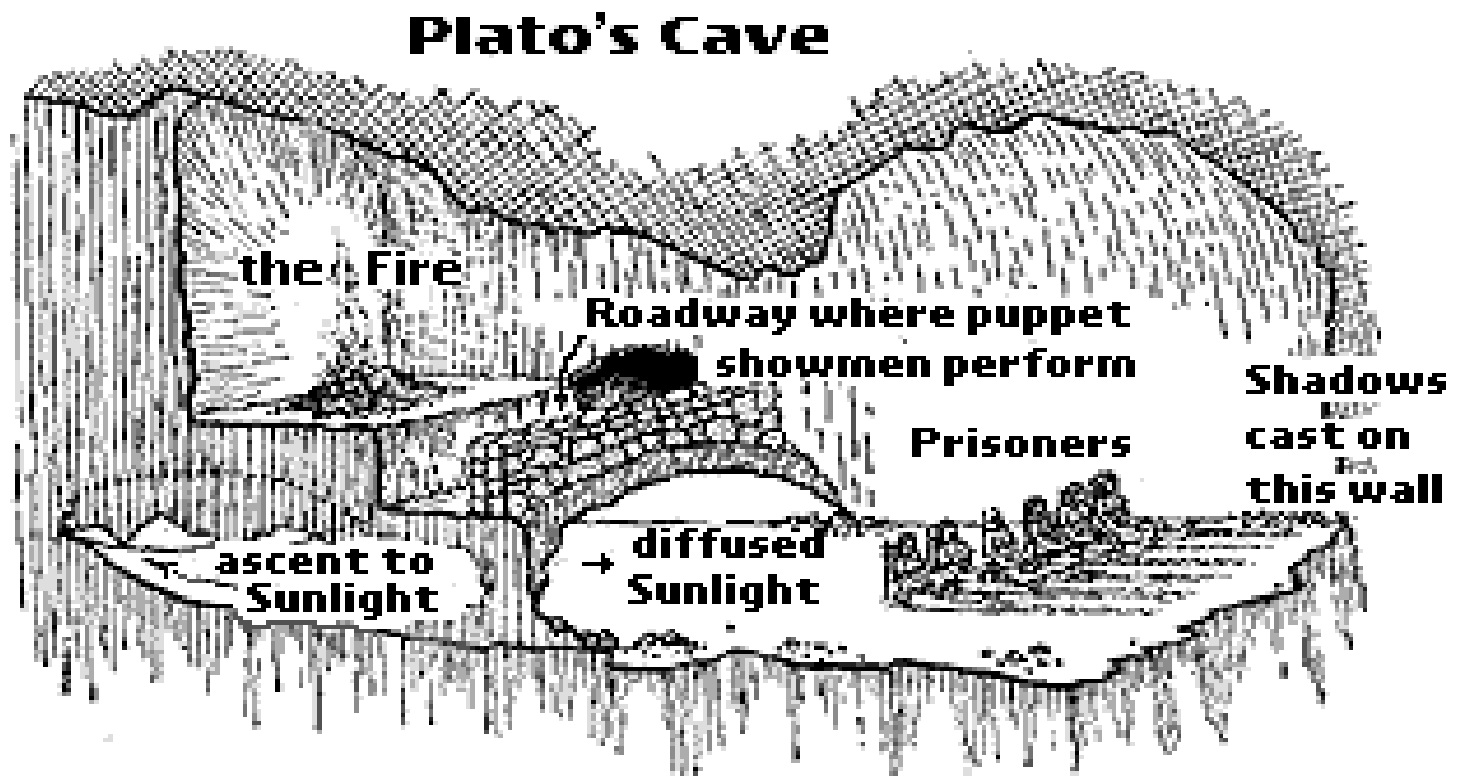
Charged with worshipping false gods and corrupting the youth

Addicts examine our lives all the time but we misperceive

What prompts us to examine our lives more honestly and rigorously?



Plato's Cave Allegory (c.428–347 BCE)



Aristotle (384–322 BCE)



Aristotle

Excellence, then, is not an act
but a habit.



Aristotle

Habit

Character

Friendship

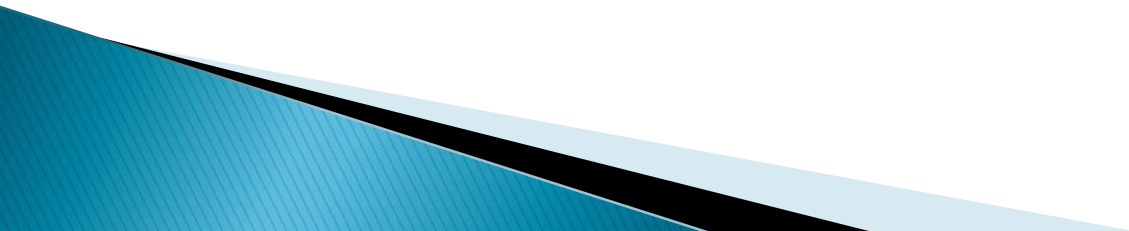
Happiness

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Kierkegaard (1813–1855)

Kierkegaard

Anxiety is the dizziness of
freedom



Kierkegaard

Anxiety

Yawning abyss

Freedom and possibility

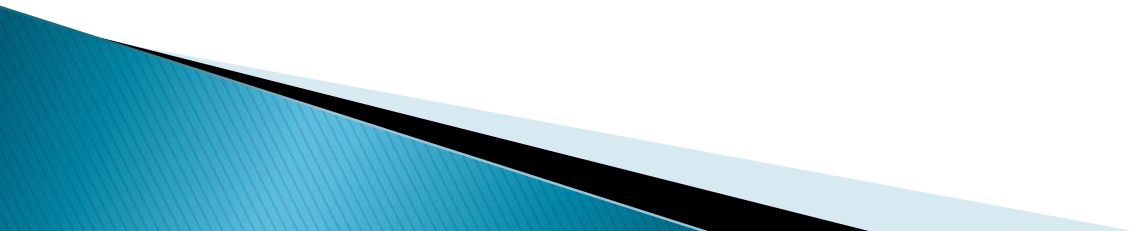
Faith



Nietzsche (1844–1900)

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Freedom is the will to be responsible to ourselves.

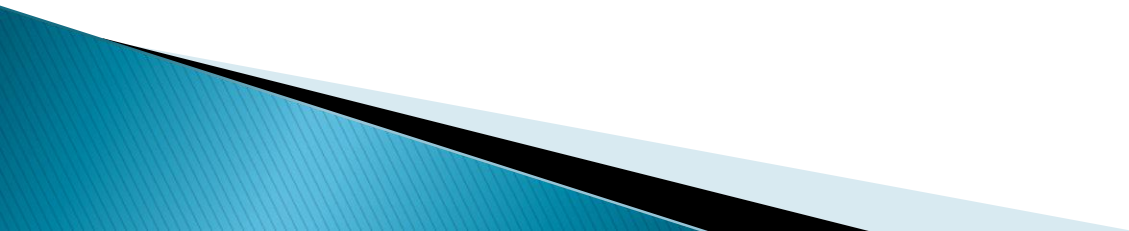


Nietzsche

God hypothesis

Nihilism

Will to power



Myth of Eternal Recurrence

The ultimate test of responsibility



James (1842–1910)

James

The sense of Presence of a higher and friendly power seems to be the fundamental feature in the spiritual life.



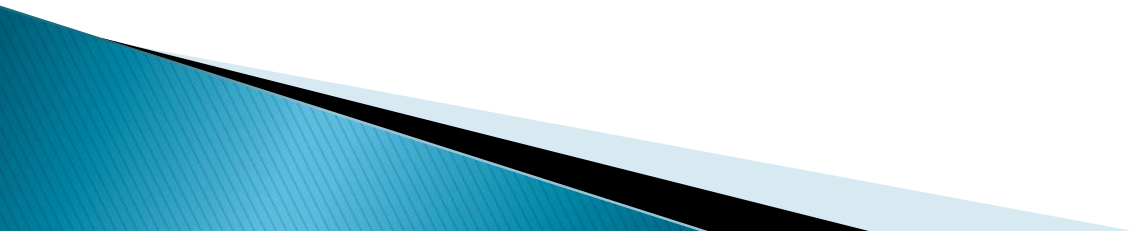
James

The acute fever

Misery threshold

Habitual center of personal energy

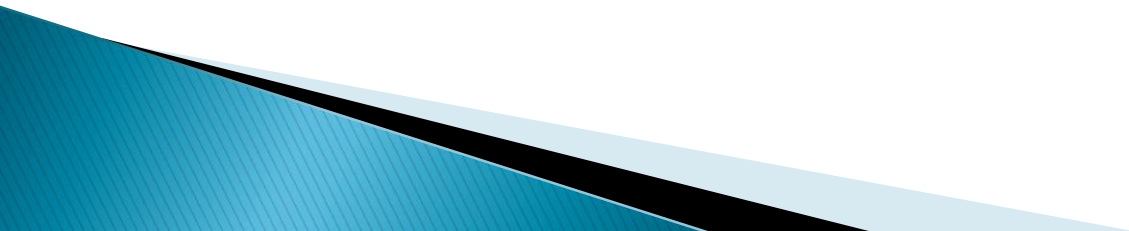
Conversion



James

Higher and friendly power

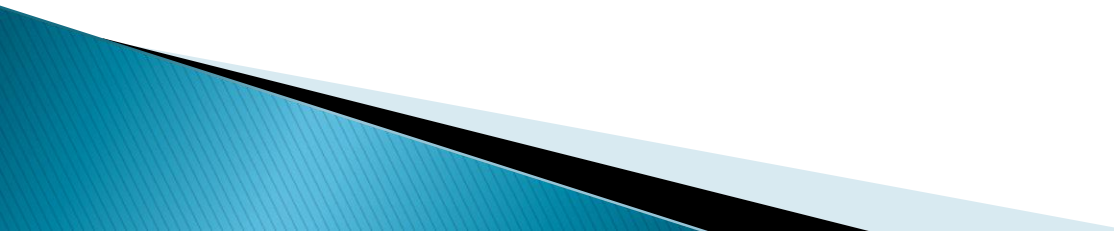
The practical fruits: firmness, stability, and equilibrium



Wittgenstein (1889– 1951)

Wittgenstein

One human being can be a complete enigma to another....We do not *understand* the people....We cannot find our feet with them.

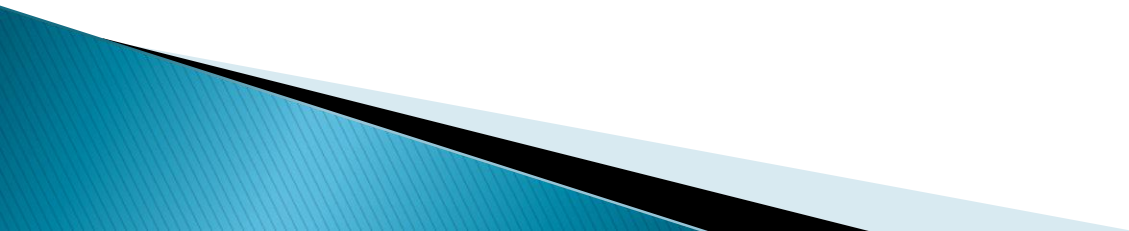


Wittgenstein

Forms of life

Language games

Family resemblance



Wittgenstein

