Philosophy 12 Independent Study:

**Summary, Reflection, and Response on a New Philosopher**

**1. Choose a philosopher from the online book *The Philosophy Book: Big Ideas Explained***

* + Pick from the “Contents” section (p 8-11)
  + https://cabmakassar.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/The-Philosophy-Book-DK.pdf
  + Read the page about your chosen philosopher

**2. Present the following information (in any format you like):**

* + Basic philosopher information
    - Time period, biography, etc
  + Summary of the philosopher’s ideas
    - What kind of philosophy do they do?
    - What claims are they are making? (quote or paraphrase these)
  + Explanation of how these ideas may have been important, controversial, provocative, or new
    - Are there others they disagree with?
    - Who might have agreed with them? Who might have disagreed?
    - How do their ideas relate to what we’ve learned in class?
  + A personal response to these ideas
    - what about their ideas do you disagree with, and why?
    - what do you agree with, and why?

**3. Read the marking rubric below to ensure your assignment fulfills all requirements (similar to previous rubrics).**

**4. Submit by Tuesday January 11th 3pm**

Independent Study Rubric

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|  | Emerg. | Dev | Prof. | Good | Excell. |
| Demonstration of understanding philosopher’s biography/**ideas** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thorough explanation of **significance** of philosopher’s ideas |  |  |  |  |  |
| Clear, extensive personal **reflection** on philosopher’s ideas |  |  |  |  |  |
| Creativity / originality |  |  |  |  |  |
| Assignment format (cohesive, appropriate, understandable) |  |  |  |  |  |

