

Introduction to Philosophy

Extra Credit #4: Hume on Design

Due Date

Thursday, September 22nd, at the beginning of class.

Late extra credit assignments will *not* be accepted unless you and I agree on a reasonable accommodation *prior* to this due date.

Instructions

Your write-up should be 250–300 words in length and conform to the course's "General Technical Requirements for Formatting Papers". This should be submitted as a computer-type-written hardcopy directly to me.

This extra credit assignment has you listen to a podcast, available on the course website, and do a short write-up addressing some questions about it.

Topic

Listen to the *Philosophy Bites* episode with Stewart Sutherland discussing Hume on design, and answer the following questions.

Questions

1. How does Sutherland explain the argument from design? What faults does Hume see with this argument? Does Sutherland believe these are good criticisms of the argument?
2. Do you think the argument from design a good argument? Are Hume's criticisms good ones or can they be addressed?