

Trinity 2007

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Our Knowledge of the Internal World

Lecture One (Wednesday 2nd May): *Starting in the middle*

Our topic is a subject's knowledge of his own phenomenal experience and of the content of his thought, but I will approach the topic from the outside, treating the subject as an object in the world and looking for an external account of that subject's epistemic relation to his inner world. The first lecture will characterize, in a general way, this externalist strategy, and look at some familiar examples of it in the recent philosophical tradition.