

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA
PHILOSOPHY 4: INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS
WINTER QUARTER 2009

PAPER ASSIGNMENT TWO

Due Friday, March 6, 2009: Late papers will not be accepted without a university recognized written excuse (for questions about late papers see the syllabus).

The essays should be **at least 4 pages long but no more than 5 pages**, double-spaced, one-inch margins, and 12-point font, times new roman or equivalent (not wingdings). This paper is worth 30% of your course grade.

Write on the following topic, answering each part of the topic:

Prompt:

(A) What is psychological egoism? (B) What is ethical egoism? (C) What is the bad argument for ethical egoism? (D) Explain the two reasons the bad argument is a bad argument. (E) Is torturing babies for fun morally permissible according to ethical egoism? (F) Defend your answer.