*TOPICS:  
1) Do you agree/disagree with John Locke’s claim that personal identity is a matter of memories and  
that the body is irrelevant to a person’s self-identity? Briefly summarize Locke’s position and  
present your own point of view.  
Reading: pp.335-339  
2) In your view, who is “Schwanda” in Meredith Michaels’ story of the steamroller accident?  
Clearly explain the reasons for your position.  
Reading: pp.346-349  
3) Do you agree/disagree with Jean-Paul Sartre’s existentialist claim that the self is a matter of  
personal choice and responsibility? Briefly summarize Sartre’s view and explain the reasons for  
your own position.  
Reading: pp.350-354*

*General instructions:  
• Choose one topic below, clearly indicate your topic, and address the questions asked  
• Write a paper of about 400 words (it may be longer but not shorter)  
• Give the correct titles of the texts and name of authors you use  
• Do not consult any additional sources. Your only source is the textbook!  
• If you quote, follow the original text word for word (if you quote only part of an original  
sentence, indicate the omission; if you integrate part of a quote into you own sentence, the overall  
sentence still has to be grammatically correct)  
• Use quotation marks for all literal quotes  
• Give page references to the textbook for all quotes as well as for ideas you appropriate and  
paraphrase  
• Clearly organize and explain your thoughts*

*• Avoid grammatical and orthographic errors*

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quality of own arguments and ideas in response to the text; concise and persuasive presentation of own  
arguments; creative connections made; quality of writing – use of proper English.*