Metaphysics Exercise 1


1. According to our reading, which of the following statements is correct?
   a. Socrates is a body; the whiteness in Socrates is an abstract substance.
   b. Socrates is a primary substance; the whiteness in Socrates is a secondary substance.
   c. Socrates is an object; the whiteness in Socrates is an essence.
   d. Socrates is a primary substance; the whiteness in Socrates is an individual accident.
   e. None of the above.

2. Socrates' arm is in Socrates. Why is it not “in a subject”?
   a. Socrates is not a “subject.”
   b. It is in Socrates as a part.
   c. It is in Socrates, but it is not in Socrates' substance.
   d. (a) and (c).
   e. (b) and (c).

3. Next to each of the items in the right column below, write the letter of the description in the left column which applies. (Note: you will obviously have to use some letters more than once.)

   an inch: ___
   John Bowin: ___
   color: ___
   heat: ___
   older than: ___
   rat: ___
   the unfortunate width of my pet rat, Dr. Finkelstein: ___
   plant: ___
   fire: ___
   metaphysics: ___

4. Which of the following is an eternal, immovable substance (according to Aristotle)?
   a. the earth
   b. Dr. Finkelstein
   c. a quantifier
   d. essence
   e. none of the above