

Perspectives in Science and Mathematics

Final Exam

Due Thursday April 28th

Instructions

Type your answers to the questions below. Question 1 is worth 75% and should be a thorough discussion of at least 2 pages. Question 2 is worth 25% and should be less than 1 page.

The video URL is also listed on Blackboard. Be sure to test it early in the week to avoid technological issues.

Question 1

Watch the video “Why we should trust science” by Dr. Naomi Oreskes, available at

<https://mediasite.video.ufl.edu/Mediasite/Play/99c0728a94414214a1bafa5d4959bc361d>.

Write an essay about what you learn in the video, making sure to address each of the following:

- Compare the talk to what you’ve learned throughout this semester in this class. How are they similar? How are they different? Cite specific examples as well as general ideas.
- What is the purpose of the talk from the presenter’s point of view? Talk about the primary claims and how she justifies them.
- What is the purpose of the talk from the organizer’s point of view? Note that the original title of the talk given by the organizer was “Should We Trust Science? Perspectives from the History and Philosophy of Science.”

Question 2

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