**Skepticism/Perception**

- definition of Epistemology

- definition of Skepticism in terms of Philosophy

- Philosophers of Skepticism

- Rene Descartes

- John Locke

- George Berkeley

- Rationalism vs. Empiricism

- Definitions of both

- Differences between them

- Philosophers of each

- Rene Descartes from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

- *Cogito, ergo sum – I think, therefore I am*

- Evil Demon Theory & the Brain in the Vat Theory

- Problems with Descartes theories

- John Locke from\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

- *No man’s knowledge here can go beyond his experience*

- The Tabula Rasa

- Objective qualities (the object itself, rather than our subjective experience of it)

- Primary Qualities and Secondary Qualities

- If a tree falls in the forest… based on Locke’s philosophy

- George Berkeley from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

- *Esse est percipi – To be is to be perceived*

*-* Berkeley and Idealism

- Berkeley critique of Locke (physical things vs. nonphysical ideas)

-*Mind independent physical object*

- the role of God

-*The Matrix*

- How does *The Matrix* integrate Descartes Brain in the Vat theory?

- Does *The Matrix* also incorporate any Lockean philosophy or Berkelean Philosophy?

- in what ways?

- What does *The Matrix* offer us about our modern day perceptions of our world and the implications concering our future and future perceptions?