

Reading Questions for Thursday, April 18, 2019

We ask you to submit comments on the following papers by midnight Wednesday April 17:

- Background on Rawls' Liberal Egalitarianism.
- How to Make Money: Chapter 6.

Your comments should include both answers to the specific reading questions and generic response about the papers. You are welcome to include any questions you have about the papers in your comments. After submitting your own comments, you'll be able to see others' submitted comments. You can comment on others' submissions and answer raised questions on Canvas. Discussion on Canvas is strongly encouraged.

Furthermore, note that you are being asked to read two philosophy papers, which may be new to most or all of you. One of the aims of the class is to clarify the main arguments of the paper. To that end, please do note where you have questions, confusions, or would like to know more!

1 Reading Questions

1. Pick one of the five arguments against unregulated private money creation in "How to Make Money: Chapter 6." State the argument in your own words in a short paragraph, identifying the conclusion and what you take to be the major points of support for that conclusion (premises).
2. Give an additional argument in support of the argument that you chose in Question 1, drawing on Rawls two principles of justice from Background on Rawls Liberal Egalitarianism.
3. Give a counter-argument to the argument you outlined in Question 1. You might target a background assumption that you take to be false, or argue against one of the premises of the argument.

4. Pick either classic or full reserve banking. Identify and describe the strongest argument in favor, and the strongest argument against. They can be from the van t Klooster, the Raskin and Yermack, or your own argument.

2 Generic Response

Respond to the papers following the guidelines in the course syllabus (under “Submit Comments and Presenting Papers”).