God & Persons (PHL 320 N)
Dialogue questions
Summer 2007
Name ________________________________

Write short answers (several sentences) to each of the following, and hand the sheet in on the assigned day. Make two copies, and keep one for your use in classroom discussion. Due: Tuesday, April 17


1. Hick proposes that what is common to all of the major world religions is some sort of response and transformation. Briefly explain each of these.

2. What are the principal doctrines of Christianity which are stumbling blocks to religious pluralism, and why are they stumbling blocks?

3. If, as Hick argues, there are common elements of all of the great religious traditions, what is his explanation for the appearance of so many differences between these traditions?

4. What is the point about Hick’s distinction between the Real an sich and the Real as humanly experienced?

5. How, according to Hick, can one establish whether a religion is authentic?