

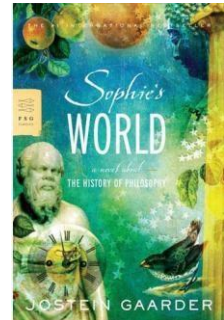
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# Summer Reading for IB Philosophy

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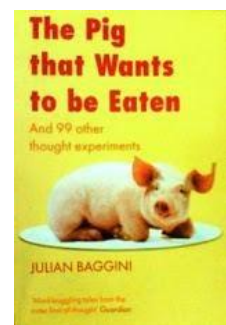
## 1. *Sophie's World* by Jostein Gaarder

- This whole book is very good, but especially chapter one.
- Make notes on the key ideas of at least 10 major philosophers mentioned in the book.
- Note down anything that might suggest an answer to the question "what is a person?"



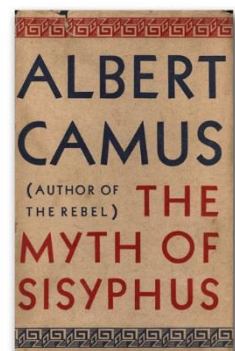
## 2. *The Pig that Wants to be Eaten* by Julian Baggini

- Pick 5 thought experiments from this book and write down your own thoughts to the scenario. How would you respond?
- Some of the thought experiments are available on <http://thepigthatwantstobeaten.blogspot.co.uk/>



## 3. *The Myth of Sisyphus* by Albert Camus

- A classic in the field of existentialism.
- After reading, summarize Camus' attitude to the meaning and purpose of life.
- <http://dbanach.com/sisyphus.htm>



*If you want to get ahead and think more deeply about the discipline of Philosophy sign up to and complete this OpenLearn course, it is free and you will get a certificate of completion to show your teacher, it requires a bit of a time commitment, but the tasks and activities are very varied and it is an excellent starting point:*

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