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Title Of Paper: Contemporary Western Philosophy	

Unit	Description in detail	Weightage (%)
1	Background of Contemporary Western Philosophy Affirmative and negative attitude toward Metaphysics. F.H.Bradly- The nature of ultimate reality- Degrees of Reality.	
2	G.E.Moore's refutation of Idealism- The Philosophy of sense data. Bertrand Russell's theory of knowledge: knowledge by Acquaintance and by Description. Radical Pragmatism of William James.- Instrumentalism of Dewey. Phenomenological method- General background of Phenomenology- Husserl's Phenomenological Principles.	
3	Kierkegaard's Philosophy: Three levels of existence- Subjective and Objective Truth.- Heidegger's Philosophy: Being, Human existence (Dasein) Death, Anxiety, Time and Temporality.	
4	Sartre: Being for itself and Being itself- Concept of Freedom and Sartre's Psychology.- Logical Positivism : The theory of Meaning and its criticism- Linguistic Philosophy of Wittgenstein.	

Basic Text & Reference Books:

- JhonPassmore: A Hundred Years of Philosophy.
- Datta D.M.: The chief Currents of Contemporary Philosophy
- Shukla J.J.: SamakalinPaschatyaTatvagnan
- Baxi M.V.: SartrenuTatvagnan
- Kotecha M.D.: Bertrand RussellnuTatvagnan.

