

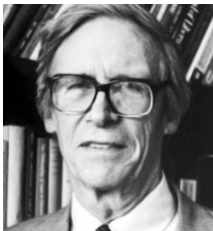
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IN DISCUSSION WITH

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POLITICAL SCIENCE



Prof. John Rawls (1922-2002)

ROBERT NOZICK (1938-2002)

FACTS....

Where was he from....

What was his field of study...

What historical issues influenced his work...

Why is his work of importance...

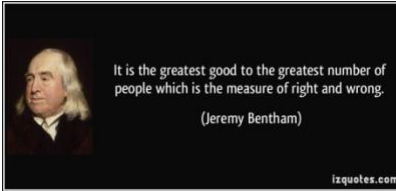
NAME TWO OF NOZICK'S MOST FAMOUS WORKS

Prof. Nozick was a libertarian, he believed in radically limited government interference, what is his argument for this...

Explain your understanding of the term "the night watchman state"...

John Rawls was Nozick's mentor, what was the difference in their approach to justice, and which perspective do you agree most with?





The average Danish person pays approximately 45% income tax, which supplements the welfare of that state. Denmark is also one of the happiest countries in the world according to the World Happiness Report rankings. Looking at the other countries on that report, including Ireland. Is there a correlation between welfare state and happiness? Discuss this below...

Jeremy Bentham had a different perspective of justice, which approached it from the angle of consequences for all as opposed to an individual rights-based approach.

Below is a sign that Nozick thought was just. What was his rationale?



ADAM SMITH (1723-1790) WAS A SCOTTISH ECONOMIST WHO WROTE "THE WEALTH OF NATIONS". HE IS CONSIDERED BY MANY TO BE THE FATHER OF CAPITALISM. WHAT DOES THE TERM "THE INVISIBLE HAND" REFER TO?

Ireland has sold housing stock to what some consider to be "Vulture Funds". Explain what that terms means, discuss how Ireland came to sell the housing stock to these funds and debate the justice of this situation, what would Nozick think?

The term affirmative action is a practice or policy of favouring individuals belonging to groups known to have been discriminated against previously; positive discrimination. Are there any instances of this in Ireland, it is just? Debate.

