

Chapter 9

Impressions and Ideas

9.1 Homework

Readings :

- Hume: T 1.1-1.7, pp. 7-22
- Introductory Material: I16-I21
- BGH3 (Broughton)

Study Questions :

1. Draw a diagram representing the various kinds of perceptions as well as the relationships between them, as Hume distinguishes them in Section 1.
2. What is the point of Paragraph 1.1.1.10? What do you think of Hume's claim that "the instance is so particular and singular, that 'tis scarce worth our observing, and does not merit that for it alone we shou'd alter our general maxim"?
3. What do you think of Hume's "division of the subject"? What is he interested in studying? What is he not interested in studying? Why? Do you think it is legitimate?
4. What are the three principles of association of ideas?
5. What is Hume's point in Paragraph 1.1.4.6?

Text Analysis : Section 7: pp.17-19, beginning to "...and find but few inconveniencies to arise in our reasoning from that abridgment."