

Movies:

I Heart Huckabees – A comedy concerning the meaning of life.

The Matrix – Descartes 'Evil Demon' argument in film form.

Ex Machina – An exploration of what exactly it means to be human and 'feel'. Most films with a focus on A.I. cover this in some way.

Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind – A romantic tragicomedy concerning the nature of memories and love.

Minority Report – A sci-fi movie concerning free will and determinism.

The Truman Show – Plato's Cave in movie form.

Waking Life – A docufiction film concerning different philosophical issues and approaches.

Inception – A sci-fi film concerning the nature of the mind and dreams.

Memento – A thriller film based around an unreliable narrator that asks the question "What counts as truth and knowledge?"

Force Majeure – A comedy-drama that asks what ethical responsibility we have towards other people.



Television:

The Good Place – A comedy set in the afterlife covering a lot of major ideas in ethics.

Westworld / Humans – Two differing sci-fi series covering concepts about personhood and the nature of the mind.

Orphan Black – A sci-fi series discussing cloning and the ethical implications.

Closer to the Truth – On camera conversations with leading scientists, philosophers, theologians and scholars covering many different topics.

The Story of God with Morgan Freeman – A documentary series looking at different religions and cultures, and their take on questions related to God or a higher power.

Black Mirror – An anthology series that indirectly discusses some major philosophical topics.

You could also look into episodes of **Horizons** that cover philosophical topics.

Books:

I've deliberately kept to suggestions for fiction books here, there is a reading list covering the major philosophical texts we will discuss on the AQA website.

Easier reading:

Sophies World by Jostein Gaarder

The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

His Dark Materials by Phillip Pullman

Slightly more complex:

Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep? by Phillip K Dick

1984 by George Orwell

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

Difficult:

Crime and Punishment by Fyodor Dostoyevsky

The Brothers Karamazov by Fyodor Dostoyevsky

Anthem by Neal Stephenson

Podcasts / Radio

<https://www.open.edu/openlearn/whats-on/ethics-bites> - Ethics bites from the Open University. Covers major and minor ethical questions.

<https://philosophybites.com/> - Philosophy bites. Top philosophers covering interesting topics in bite size chunks.

<https://historyofphilosophy.net/> - The History of Philosophy without any gaps.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p01f0vzr/episodes/downloads> - BBC In Our Time Philosophy. Explores the contributions of some major philosophical thinkers.

<https://verybadwizards.fireside.fm/> - A philosopher and a psychologist ponder human morality.

<https://partiallyexaminedlife.com/> - A philosophy podcast by some guys who were at one point set on doing philosophy for a living, but then thought better of it.

Websites / Youtube

<https://plato.stanford.edu/> - Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy (this is high level)

<https://www.iep.utm.edu/> - Internet Encyclopaedia of Philosophy

<https://www.philosophybro.com/> - Useful for simplified overviews of some key philosophical topics (Beware: Strong language).

<http://sqapo.com/> - Squashed Philosophers. Major philosophical texts (including Aristotle, Descartes, Hume, Kant and more) compressed to be readable in a short period of time.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8dPuuaLjXtNgK6MZucdYldNkMybYIHKR> – Crash Course Philosophy. A youtube playlist dedicated to covering some of the major ideas in Philosophy in digestible chunks with helpful animations. Part of the Crash Course channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/thephilosophytube> - Philosophy Tube. A youtube channel covering some of the major ideas of Philosophy and their applications.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/schooloflifechannel> - The School of Life. A self help channel that covers a huge amount of philosophical questions in a way that may help you rethink how you live your life.