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碩士班甄試 英文閱讀理解能力試題

本測驗旨在測量英文閱讀與理解能力，請說明以下引文論旨，不必逐句翻譯：

1. (50%)

Some neuroscientists believe that the brain is the power that creates the world and that it does so according to its own conception. We ourselves are brains in vats; that is, we are brains in biologically evolved vats of skin and bone. And we are victims of an illusion on a grand scale, for when we see and touch and hear, we misguidedly take ourselves to be in contact with the way things are here and now before us... What we are aware of is never more than a picture or model constructed by the brain according to its own rules.

\*Noe, Alva. (2009). *Out of Our Heads*

2. (50%)

In the appropriate sentient beings is it possible that a stimulation of C-fibers should have existed without being felt as pain? If this is possible, then the stimulation of C-fibers can itself exist without pain, since for it to exist without being felt as pain is for it to exist without there being any pain. Such a situation would be in flat out contradiction with the supposed necessary identity of pain and the corresponding physical state, and the analogue holds for any physical state which might be identified with a corresponding mental state. The trouble is that the identity theorist does not hold that the physical state merely produces the metal state, rather he wishes the two to be identical and thus a fortiori necessarily co-occurrent.

\*Kripke, Saul. (1972). *Naming and Necessity*