

Philosophy 2330: Science and Society
Spring 2017
Fifth short essay assignment

Please print your essay and bring it to class on Tuesday, April 18th. **ALSO** please make your essay anonymous by putting your R# at the top of the page and **NOT** your name.

You are to write roughly one page (400-600 words) on something related to Alex Rosenberg's Moral Nihilism. This is an argumentative paper. You must describe and defend some particular thesis. A good paper is clear, easy to read, and provides good arguments for its conclusion. But exactly what you write about is open ended. You might explore Rosenberg's idea that humans have a 'core morality' or Rosenberg's claim that the fact that morality is good for us actually serves to undermine its truth. You could argue that "Nice Nihilism" is in fact not very nice at all or you could examine what Clark says about moral motivation and compare what he says to Rosenberg. Any of these topics would be just fine.