

Philosophy 3334 Fall 2023
Reading questions #9
Due Thur, Oct 19

1) Read Harden chapter 2. Look at the chart on page 29 of lay estimates of genetic influence. Of these, which traits are much more heritable than people estimated? Which traits are less heritable? Which traits surprised you the most?

2) Obviously there are no genes for wealth. Yet researchers found that people who scored highest on a polygenic index were much more wealthy on average than people who scored lower. What do you think might be (part of) the explanation?

3) After reading the chapters, come up with a question that you want answered or a topic that you would like to be discussed. This could be something that the chapters forced you think about or it could be something that you thought was particularly confusing in the chapters.