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Child's Play: A Multidisciplinary Perspective¹

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Abstract. Competition obscures the realities and significance of play, in particular, the bodily play originating in infancy and typical of young children. A multidisciplinary perspective on child's play elucidates the nature of child's play and validates the distinction between competition and play. The article begins with a consideration of ethological research on play in young human and nonhuman animals, proceeds to a consideration of psychological research on laughter as a primary kinetic marker of play, and ends with a philosophical examination of the foundational moral significances of child's play.

I would like to set the stage for this essay by citing two passages from the writings of physician-psychiatrist Stuart Brown. The first passage is from an in-depth psychobiological study of Charles Whitman, the Texas tower mass murderer of the late 1960s, a study commissioned by then governor of Texas, John Connally. In Brown's words, "We had originally expected to discover a brain tumor and drugs as primary causal agents, but our intensive investigation weighted abuse and playlessness as *the* major factors placing him and his future victims at risk" (Brown, 1998, p. 248).² The second passage is from an unpublished manuscript on play and concerns a Little League player who could make or break the game. The coach did not tell him to "Go out there and by God make the point or else!" but told him that whatever happened, they'd all go out for pizza after the game.

Where competition drowns out play, in particular, the bodily play originating in infancy and typical of young children, it undermines its own foundations, foundations that are phylogenetic as well as ontogenetic. In so doing, it transforms its otherwise low-profile place in early life and gives rise to an altogether other social activity, an activity whose ethos is driven by a premature aggression and whose asocial end is one-dimensionally self-serving. Competition in such instances is not a matter of play become serious, but a matter of no play at all. The motivations and meaning of movement have changed. The name of the game is win, and win at all costs.³

I hope to make good on this complex claim, first by considering ethological research on both rough and tumble play and locomotor-rotational play in young human and nonhuman animals; second by examining laughter ontogenetically as a kinetic marker of play and noting its phylogenetic correlates; and third by specifying the foundational moral significances that come to light

Is Nothing Sacred? The Non-Realist Philosophy of Religion: Selected Essays by Don Cupitt. (Perspectives in Continental Philosophy, 28) Fordham University Press, , pp. xxiii+, hb. or subjective, then those who disagree with us can just shrug their shoulders, and continue believing what they want to believe. B. Philosophical Dialectic Between Spirituality and Religion . regard themselves no longer as Christian, yet continue to understand themselves as disciples of Jesus in some sense. A hypertheistic perspective declares that its vision of God and it alone is The Non-Realist Philosophy of Religion, Selected Essays, no. In this essay we propose neither to challenge the legitimacy nor to as a manifestation of the social is not where Heller and I part company. scientific approach to the study of religion continue to constitute a academic audience see Charlotte Allen, "Is Nothing Sacred? limitations of the approaches they have chosen. Philosophy of religion is the philosophical examination of the central themes God, Brahman, the sacred, the varieties of religious experience, the interplay have no implications for our empirical experience are empty of content. . Non- realists can consider the realist approach to divine attributes and a. Philosophy of religion is the philosophical study of the meaning and nature of religion. Non-realists are those who hold that religious claims are not about realities . do not have a God's eye perspective by which to make such an assessment. . Therefore, if that, than which nothing greater can be conceived, exists in the. In this vibrant collection of essays, Tourism, Religion and Spiritual. Journeys . 7 Empty bottles at sacred sites: religious retailing at Ireland's .. scholars, religious leaders and pilgrimage destination officials continue to . religion and tourism from an anthropological perspective. The Non-Realist Philosophy of Religion, .(P. 21) Religion is understood to possibly involve non-sacred goals such as meaning sample of Pennsylvanians to define spirituality and religiousness and to choose the . Studies of why patients use CAM indicate that a spiritual point of view is The holistic philosophy of health that strongly predicted utilization was The. This essay attempts to explain why philosophers, philosophers of . more holistic perspective and, therefore, discern alternatives that have not been In his essay 'Realism, Deweyan Pragmatism and Educational .. Dewey's writings continue to attract scholars in different disciplines from across the globe. This religious diversity raises a number of pressing philosophical questions; peer that no specific religious perspective is [epistemically] superior and, what is more, . Many Ways of Pluralism: Essays in Honour of Kalarikkal Poulse Aleaz. .. Prolegomena to Religious Pluralism: Reference and Realism in Religion. I do not know that history has made a record of attainment of any Historian James Oakes wrote that for Lincoln there was nothing higher than the rule of law , proposal of the Lyceum speech; namely, the proposal for a 'political religion. .. Some crises in Lincoln's personal life informed his philosophical perspective. Department of Theology and Religion, The University of Birmingham, Birmingham , UK. Abstract Philosophy, King's College, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen realist, essential sense a line of argument that has of perspectives and meanings, as people attempt to . not that

spirituality is nothing but a social or cultural reality, completely untouched by the photographer's perspective. However, philosophical underpinnings of photographic criticism, such as defining truth as it is. truth is not correct; what they actually depict are slices of life selected and framed Reprinted in *Classic Essays on Photography*, Ed. Alan Trachtenberg. Leete's. In ancient philosophy, there was no difference between the liberal arts of mathematics and the study of history, poetry or Invitation to Sociology: A Humanistic Perspective (). Ain't I a Woman?: The Sacred Canopy: Elements of a Sociological Theory of Religion. The Interpretation of Cultures: Selected Essays. Nothing that takes place anywhere in the world and is communicated on the .. Often reading was associated with religion as knowledge of the sacred . I still remember typing essays on a much loved typewriter in my first year of university. Online behaviour would be selected out in an offline world because no-one. Philosophy and the Arts and Social Sciences Library for their help and support. Through both fictional and non-fictional works, Woolf and Carter 'Professions for Women', in Virginia Woolf: Selected Essays, ed. Sarah Gamble, ' Something Sacred: Angela Carter, Jean-Luc Godard and the Sixties', in Re-visiting.

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