

## Notes

<sup>i</sup> Short historical reference for the city of Weimar: Weimar is one of the great cultural sites of Europe, since it was the home to such luminaries as *Bach, Goethe, Schiller, and Herder*. It has been a site of pilgrimage for the *German intelligentsia* since *Goethe* first moved to Weimar in the late 18th century. The tombs of *Goethe, Schiller, and Nietzsche* may be found in the city, as may the archives of *Goethe and Schiller*.

The period in German history from 1919-1933 is commonly referred to as the *Weimar Republic*, as the *Republic's constitution* was drafted here while the capital, *Berlin*, with its streets rioting after the 1918 revolution, was considered too dangerous for the *National Assembly* to convene.

Weimar was the center of the *Bauhaus movement*. The city houses art galleries, museums, the *German national theatre*, and the *Bauhaus University*, which attracts students specializing in *Media and Design, Architecture, and Music* from all over Germany. During World War II, there was a concentration camp near Weimar, at *Buchenwald*, a little wood that *Goethe* had loved to frequent only 8 kilometers from the city center. More than 55,000 prisoners entered the gates bearing the motto "*Arbeit macht frei*"-- work will set you free. Visitors today can view areas used for shelter, medical experimentation, cremation, and labor. A somber, disturbing experience, yet one that must be endured.

UNESCO selected the city as *cultural capital of Europe ("Kulturstadt Europas")* for 1999. (*Wikipedia, The free Encyclopedia, www.wikipedia.org*)

<sup>ii</sup> The animal Chameleon: in reality the animal itself is solitary and rivalry. Some Chameleon species are able to change their body color, which made them one of the most famous lizard families. Contrary to popular belief, this change of color is not an adaptation to the surroundings but rather an expression of the physical and physiological condition of the lizard. The skin color is changed under influence of mood, light and temperature. The skin color also plays an important part in communication and rivalry fights. (*Wikipedia, The free Encyclopedia, www.wikipedia.org*)

<sup>iii</sup> "7-Eleven" is a corporate chain of mini-markets very popular all over the US.

<sup>iv</sup> "But as a result of his urge to know everything, to know the world in its totality, and to verify all thought by means of the criterion of coherence, which for him means that nothing must be left out which would leave thought incomplete, he confuses the distinction between "having" and "knowing" in experience, and ends by trying,

in Appearance and Reality to get an experience in which "thought has...to become one thing with sense and feeling", and by attempting to find out what immediate experience is before thought has destroyed it - since this immediate experience will, he thinks, give him a direct contact with Reality." "For Bradley the demand of thought is for self-consistency and all-inclusiveness; and "truth is identical with Reality in the sense that, in order to perfect itself, it would have to become a Reality". To be "real" is to include all experience, and this, of course, must include immediate experience; to determine the "degree of reality" of any thought, you must appeal to immediate experience - since without it as a factor any thought is a "prey to contradiction". (Robert D. Mack, *The Appeal to Immediate Experience, Philosophic Method in Bradley, Whitehead and Dewey*, Conclusion, p. 70.)