Philosophy in KS2

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L/O: To learn about the ontological argument for the existence of God.

Ontology = to do with **being**, existence and what kinds of existence there are.

Ontology - seriously, what are you talking about?

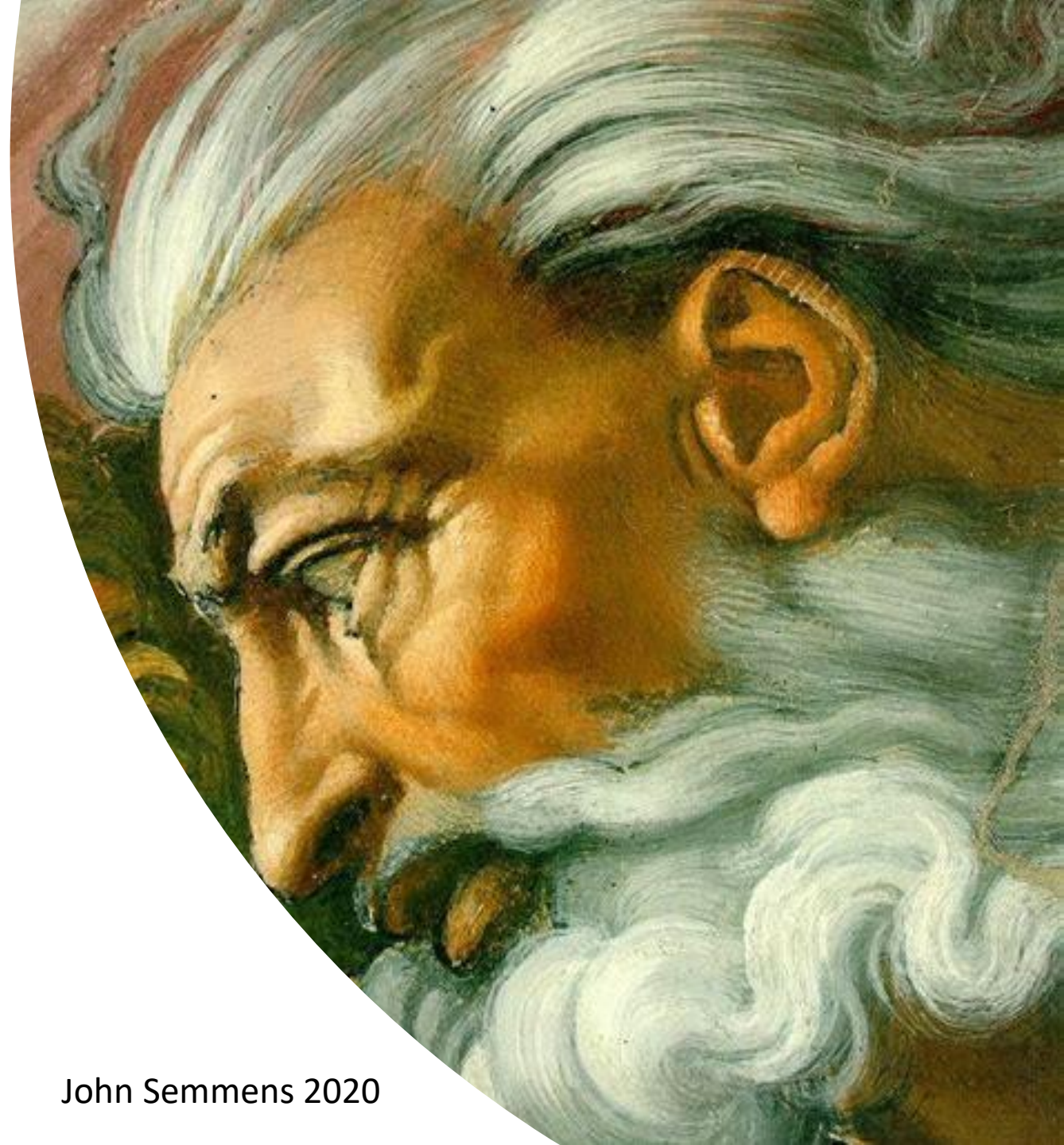|			
Take a look at one of the objects in front of you....	What is it?	What is it made of?	How was it made?
Is made the right word to describe the process which brought that object into being?	What kind of existence does that object have?	How do you know it exists?	What are its qualities? • Colour? • Weight? • Size (or extension)? • Is it 3D?

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Let's try it with God!

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- How was it made?

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God is....

- Omnipotent = all powerful
- Omniscient = all knowing
- Omnibenevolent = all good
- Omnipresent = all present (as in everywhere...

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Now - answer these questions:

In order for God to be God He/She/It would have to be all of these things, right?

Now - answer these questions:

So if God is all these things how can you be all powerful but not exist?

Now - answer these questions:

If God was all powerful but didn't exist God wouldn't be powerful, right?

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Now - answer these questions:

So if God is all powerful then God must exist, right?

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Problem Solved.

God's existence proven, right?

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<u>Try to explain these qualities of God with writing or drawings on your table's dove:</u>

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Now add the word 'Existence' to your dove...

Does it make your description any more Godly?

Does this prove God's existence?

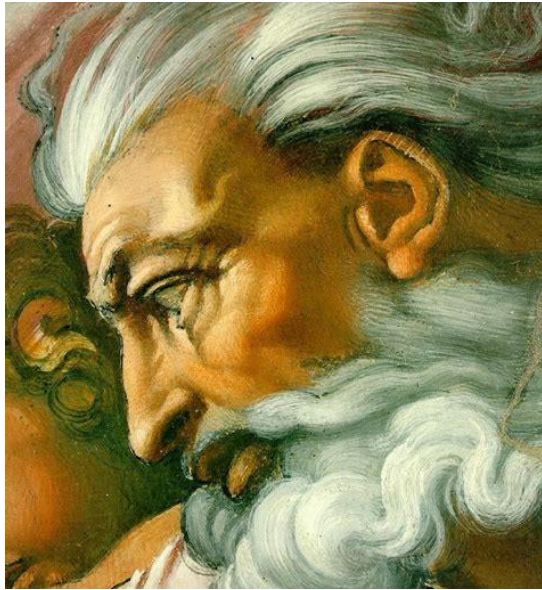What are the problems with this?

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Take this unicorn….
Have you ever seen
anything fluffier?

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A pink fluffy unicorn that exists only in your head is not as fluffy as one that exists in real life. Therefore, in order for there to be a unicorn that is the fluffiest thing in the world it must exist. Otherwise it's not as fluffy as your imaginary one.

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Ontology: It can be used to define anything into existence

Existence cannot be assumed.

The unicorn, sadly doesn't exist…..

But fluffiness is dependent on existence…

But it cannot be used to bring the unicorn into being….

Omnipotence and fluffiness cannot guarantee God or unicorns….

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