Unit 18 - Homework 1: Plato's *Meno* Dialogue (1)

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In order to answer the following questions, read pages 11–27 in Unit 18.

1. According to Socrates and Meno, if virtue is *learnable*, then is virtue *nature* or *nurture*?

2. According to Socrates and Meno, if virtue is *unlearnable*, then is virtue *nature* or *nurture*?

3. According to Socrates and Meno, if virtue is *teachable*, then virtue is *learnable*. Hence according to them, if virtue is *teachable*, then is virtue *nature* or *nurture*?

4. According to Socrates and Meno, if virtue is *unteachable*, then either virtue is *unlearnable* or virtue is *unlearnable*. Hence according to them, if virtue is *unteachable*, then what?

5. At the very beginning of their conversation, Meno asked Socrates a question, but why wouldn't Socrates answer Meno's question? (Hint: According to Socrates, everyone is ignorant about *what*?)