

**Chapter 17 - Assignment 7: Plato's *Hipparchus* Dialogue (by Simon the Shoemaker)**

In order to answer the following questions, read pages 21–24 in Chapter 17.

1. When asked by Socrates to explain what profit-loving is, his friend gave two definitions of what a profit-lover is.

(i) What was the very *first* way that the friend had defined “profit-lover”?

(ii) Why did Socrates believe that his friend had *misdefined* “profit-lover”?

2. After the *first* definition of “profit-lover” was convincingly refuted by Socrates, his friend proposed a *second* definition of “profit-lover”.

(i) What was the *second* way that the friend had defined “profit-lover”?

(ii) Why did Socrates believe that his friend once again had *misdefined* “profit-lover”?

3. According to the friend, what is the difference between a good person and a bad person?

4. Socrates asked his friend to explain what profit is.

(i) According to the friend, what is profit?

(ii) Why did Socrates believe that his friend had *misdefined* “profit”?  
Explain your answer in *at least two* complete sentences.

5. According to Socrates, who are profit-lovers? Only good people? Only bad people? Both good people and bad people? Neither good people nor bad people?  
Explain your answer.