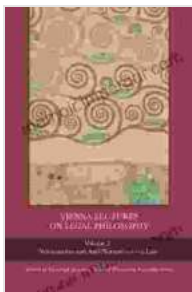


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By H.L.A. Hart

The Vienna Lectures On Legal Philosophy Volume is a collection of lectures given by H.L.A. Hart at the University of Vienna in 1959. The lectures cover a wide range of topics in legal philosophy, including the nature of law, the concept of legal rights, and the relationship between law and morality.

Hart's Vienna Lectures are widely regarded as one of the most important works in legal philosophy of the 20th century. They offer a clear and concise exposition of Hart's own theory of law, which is known as "positivism." Positivism is a theory of law that holds that law is a system of rules that are created and enforced by the state. Hart's theory of positivism is based on the idea that law is a social phenomenon that can be understood by studying the way that it is actually used in society.



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In the Vienna Lectures On Legal Philosophy, H.L.A. Hart sets out to provide a clear and concise account of his theory of law. Hart's theory of law is based on the idea that law is a system of rules that are created and enforced by the state. Hart argues that this definition of law is both necessary and sufficient to capture the essential features of law.

Hart's theory of law has been widely influential in legal philosophy. It has been used to challenge traditional theories of law, such as natural law theory and legal realism. Hart's theory of law has also been used to develop new theories of law, such as Ronald Dworkin's theory of law as integrity.

The Nature of Law

In the Vienna Lectures, Hart argues that law is a system of rules. He defines a rule as "a general norm that is capable of guiding conduct." Hart

argues that this definition of a rule is broad enough to capture all of the different types of rules that exist in law, from simple rules of conduct to complex rules of procedure.

Hart also argues that rules are created and enforced by the state. He defines the state as "a community that has a government and a system of law." Hart argues that the state is the only entity that has the authority to create and enforce laws.

The Concept of Legal Rights

In the Vienna Lectures, Hart argues that legal rights are claims that are created by the law. He defines a legal right as "a claim that is protected by the law." Hart argues that this definition of a legal right is broad enough to capture all of the different types of legal rights that exist, from the right to life to the right to property.

Hart also argues that legal rights are essential to the concept of law. He argues that without legal rights, there would be no way to protect individuals from the arbitrary actions of the state.

The Relationship Between Law and Morality

In the Vienna Lectures, Hart argues that there is no necessary connection between law and morality. He argues that it is possible for a law to be immoral, and it is possible for a moral rule to be unenforceable. Hart argues that the relationship between law and morality is a complex one that can only be understood by studying the way that law and morality actually interact in society.

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