

Authors' Guidelines

Percipi

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1. About the journal

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Parfit (1984), 24

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de Sousa, R. (2002), 'Twelve Varieties of Subjectivity', (*Sousa*), Available at: <http://www.chass.utoronto.ca/%7Esousa/subjectivity.html> (Accessed: 19 November 2006).

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