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Stephan Korner, Professor of Philosophy at Yale and Bristol,
discusses with Renford Bambrough, Fellow of St. John's College,
Cambridge, the traditional problem of Universals, and
Wittgenstein's contribution, in his later philosophy, towards
solving the problem.
Professor Godfrey Vesey chairs the discussion.

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Summary: The contributors discuss the problem of Universals and explore the light which Wittgenstein's work has thrown on the problem. Slightly opposing views of the value to the problem of Wittgenstein's contribution are held.

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Seq.	Time.	Footage.	Sequence List.	Sound Cue
1	2.12	35	Godfrey Vesey explains the philosophical problem of universals and introduces the two contributors who will discuss the matter.	...St. John's College
2	7.11	108	Vesey reads a passage from Wittgenstein's Blue Book dealing with the concept of 'having something in common'. Bambrough outlines why he thinks that Wittgenstein threw light on the problem of universals. Körner outlines his objections to Wittgenstein's ideas on this matter.	We'll discuss this....to be said.
3	9.52	144	Vesey asks Körner to expand those parts of Wittgenstein's analysis of family resemblance concepts which Körner considers incomplete. Körner does so, using as his argument the existence of borderline cases in some arrays of objects, their absence in others. He introduces the theory of continuous connection.	What more would..... ...family resemblance concepts.
4	11.24	177	Vesey asks Bambrough whether the latter has to disagree with Körner's proposition. Bambrough makes his reservations, Körner replying.	Do you have to..... ...bad Wittgensteinian there.
5	15.36	217	The concept of 'having something in common' is discussed, Körner taking the view that it is not a particularly meaningful phrase, Bambrough an opposing viewpoint. An example is used (i.e. books).	Yes, so you are..... ...them all books

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Continuation

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6	16.59	234	Korner replies to Bambrough's demonstration of the concept 'having something in common' Bambrough and Korner reach agreement.	But if somebody.... ..we're there already.
7	21.15	284	The discussion now turns on the use in different senses of the concept 'have something in common' and on the need for justification before using a particular word descriptive of many forms of object e.g. game.	What I have in..... ..is largely psychological
8	23.48	284	Bambrough explains a passage in Wittgenstein which urges the need for appropriate methods of thought to be applied to a particular problem, and touches upon the problem of justification. Vesey closes the discussion.	I think we can get.... ..Bambrough, thank you..
	24.14	317	Credits	