Phil 340 Final — Instructions

You'll get a printed sheet of questions and a scratch-off card that looks like this:

Be sure to fill in your name and the course info on the scratch-off card. Be sure also to verify that the Test # on the card matches the Test # on your question sheet. If it doesn't, the card probably won't give you the right feedback about when you've answered a question correctly.

On the question sheet will be ten questions like this:

Sample Question: Which of the following views would at least some philosophers argue against?
  (i) it's metaphysically possible for the world to be different than it in fact is
  (ii) if something is epistemically possible, it's metaphysically possible
  (iii) we can never really know what's metaphysically possible and what's not
Choices:
  (a) all of them
  (b) all but i
  (c) all but ii
  (d) only iii

I read this question and initially think that the answer might be "(c) …" So I take a coin and I scratch off the space corresponding to answer (c). But I see that there's nothing there, so now I know that answer was wrong. I reconsider the question and decide that the answer must be "(a) all of them." That is, some philosophers argue against (i), some argue against (ii), and some argue against (iii). So I scratch off answer (a) on the card and I see a star, like this:

That tells me that answer (a) was correct.

The stars on the card will sometimes be to the left, sometimes in the center, and sometimes to the right. That's to discourage you from partially scratching off a space to peek where the star might be.

If you get a question right on the first try, you'll get 10 points; if you get it on the second try, you'll get 7 points; and if you get it right on the third try, you'll get 3 points.