

# PLATO: THE DIVIDED LINE

## WHAT IS TRUE KNOWLEDGE?

	THOUGHT	OBJECTS	
KNOWLEDGE	REASON!!  The DIALECTIC	HIGHER FORMS  Universal definitions that never change	INTELLIGIBLE WORLD
	UNDERSTANDING-SCIENCE AND MATH  Scientific botany and genetics	FORMS OF SCIENCE AND MATH  Tied to examples in the visible world	
OPINION	BELIEF  What I perceive to be so.	THINGS, OBJECTS  Different types of apples classified by senses.	VISIBLE WORLD
	CONJECTURE-IMAGINING  Day dreams.	IMAGES AND REFLECTIONS  The picture of an apple.	

**The true structure of the world is revealed not by the senses, but by the intellect, which in its highest state has direct access to the forms (ideas) governing reality.**

**Objects in the world can best be understood as concrete expressions of an archetypal form which gives the object its special structure**

**Forms possess a quality of being, a reality, that is superior to the concrete world. They manifest within time, yet are timeless.**

**Knowledge gained by sense perceptions is constantly changing, relative, and the exclusive perception of each individual.**