

**Group #1 What is the Cosmological Argument?**

Using a diagram (on the board), explain the cosmological argument. Which premise in this argument is thought to be most problematic? Do you find this argument persuasive and why?

**Group #2 What is the Kalam Cosmological Argument?**

Using a diagram (on the board), explain the Kalam cosmological argument. What is the difference between a natural explanation and a personal explanation? Why does the kalam argument claim that the cause must be personal? Do you find this argument persuasive and why?

**Group #3 What are some objections to the Cosmological Argument?**

Review any or all of the above formulations of the cosmological argument and come up with an objection to either version. Write your argument on the board with a diagram that illustrates this objection. Be sure to state which premise you are attacking and why you are arguing against it. Also, be sure to make sure you understand the details of the argument (you don't want your objection to be built upon a fault understanding of the argument). Here are two examples:

#1 Consider Russell's argument that the universe is "just there, and that's all." Which premise in the argument does Russell reject? What is the fallacy of composition (give an illustrative example)?

#2 Consider the rejection of the causal principle from quantum physics. This objection rejects premise (1) of the kalam cosmological argument (see pp.4-5).