

## How to think about being – A phenomenological approach

This title will lead to the < question of being > which has preoccupied Heidegger's entire adult life. I shall attempt a close reading of several introductory passages of his *Being and Time* (1927) in order to show some of the main problems this question is facing. There isn't only a certain resistance to a theory of being that manifests itself in several ways, when for example attempting to define being. There are also various obstacles to even asking the question of being, which shall be explored in this paper and which will shed a critical light on some of the traditional, epistemological approaches not only aiming for an understanding of being but of the question of being as well. And this in turn will lead to the question of the nature or being of the question itself.