Preface

The following essays are not systematically linked with one another. What they have in common is that they all deal with Wittgenstein's philosophy, and that they are throughout critical with regard to positions which are proposed in the literature on Wittgenstein. The first five essays try to give interpretations of particular sections of the Philosophical Investigations The sixth is a critique of one writer's interpretation of Wittgenstein's later philosophy. In the last essay the author tries to make Wittgenstein's later philosophy fruitful for one field of modern non-classical logic.

Another point of contact is that all the essays in this volume are connected with the Wittgenstein Archives at the University of Bergen. The essays of Peter Philipp go back to two lectures which he delivered in Bergen in spring 1992, as a guest of the Archives and the Institute of Philosophy. The other essays were written Bergen, during the author's stay at the Archives between October 1991 and December 1992. supported by stay was the Alexander Humboldt-Foundation (Germany) and the Norwegian Research Council. I wish to express my thanks for the opportunity to work at the Archives. But above all I must acknowledge my gratitude to the colleagues from the Archives, Claus Huitfeldt, Ole Letnes, Alois Pichler, and Astrid Castell, for their generous help. I should also thank Peter Cripps for his help with the English proof-reading. Last but far from least I am indebted to Prof. Tore Nordenstam (Bergen) and Prof. Eike von Savigny (Bielefeld), who agreed to act as my advisers in this work.

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Abbreviations for works by Wittgenstein

TLP Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus, tr. D.F. Pears and B.F. McGuiness, London: Routledge and Kegan Paul, 1961.

BlB and BrB The Blue and the Brown Book, Oxford: Blackwell, 1958.

OC On Certainty, ed. G.E.M. Anscombe and G.H. von Wright, tr. D. Paul and G.E.M. Anscombe, Oxford: Blackwell, 1969.

PI Philosophical Investigations, ed. G.E.M. Anscombe and R. Rhees, tr. G.E.M. Anscombe, 2nd. edition, Oxford: Blackwell, 1958.

RoF Remarks on Frazer's 'Golden Bough', tr. A.C. Miles and R. Rhees, The Human World no. 3 (May 1971), pp. 28-41.

Z Zettel, ed. G.E.M. Anscombe and G.H. von Wright, tr. G.E.M. Anscombe, Oxford: Blackwell, 1967.

CV Culture and Value, ed. G.H. von Wright in collaboration with H. Nyman, tr. P. Winch, Oxford: Blackwell 1980.

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