

**What do
you
remember
about
Plato's
cave
allegory?**

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Plato's Forms



- Rule off
- Underline title & date

**Do you know
anything
about....?**

Heraclitus



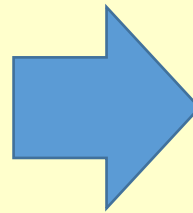
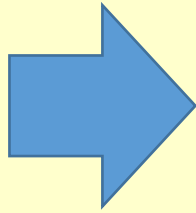


You cannot step into
the same river twice.

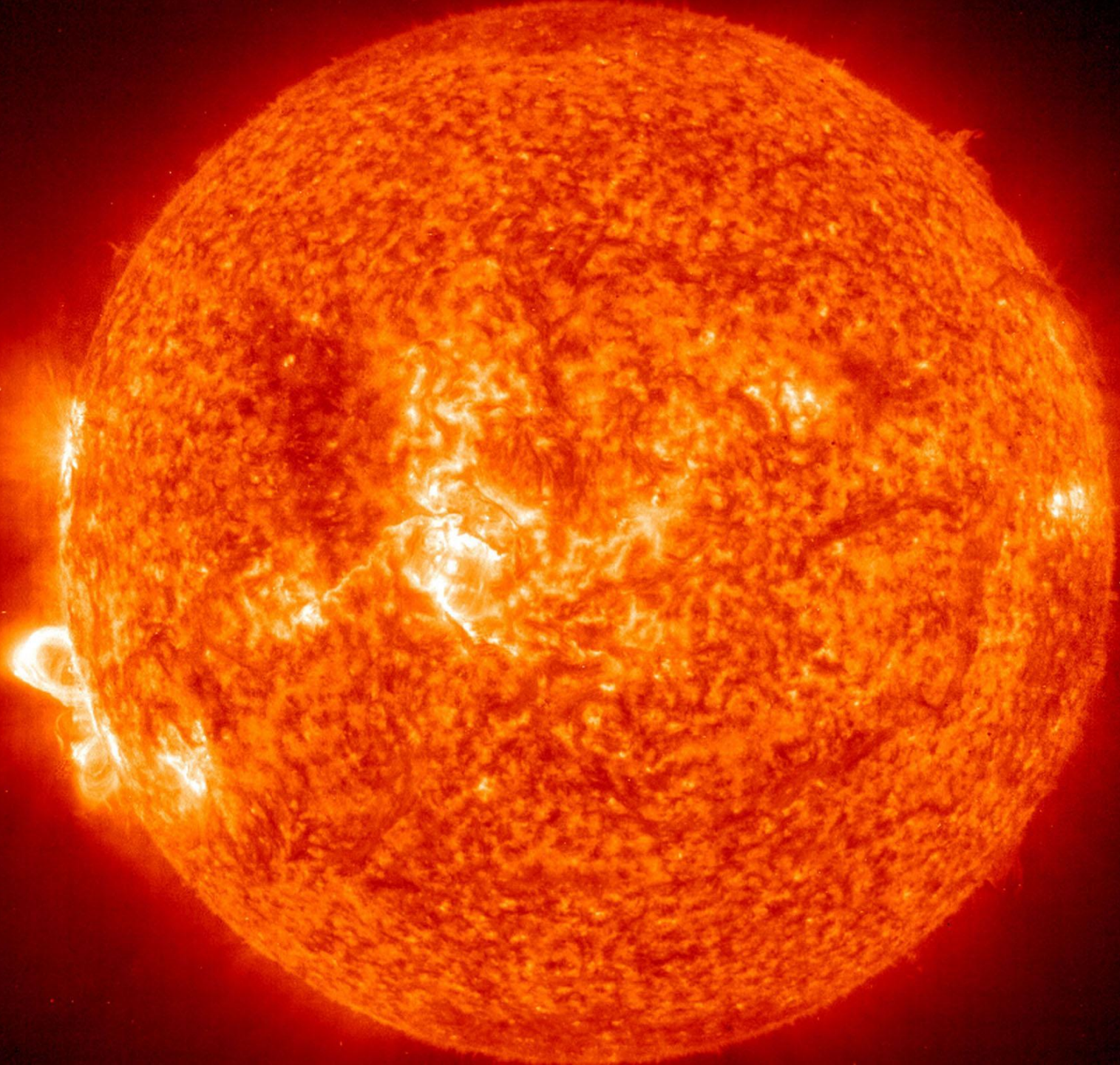
Heraclitus

“ quote fancy

**What do you think this
means?**

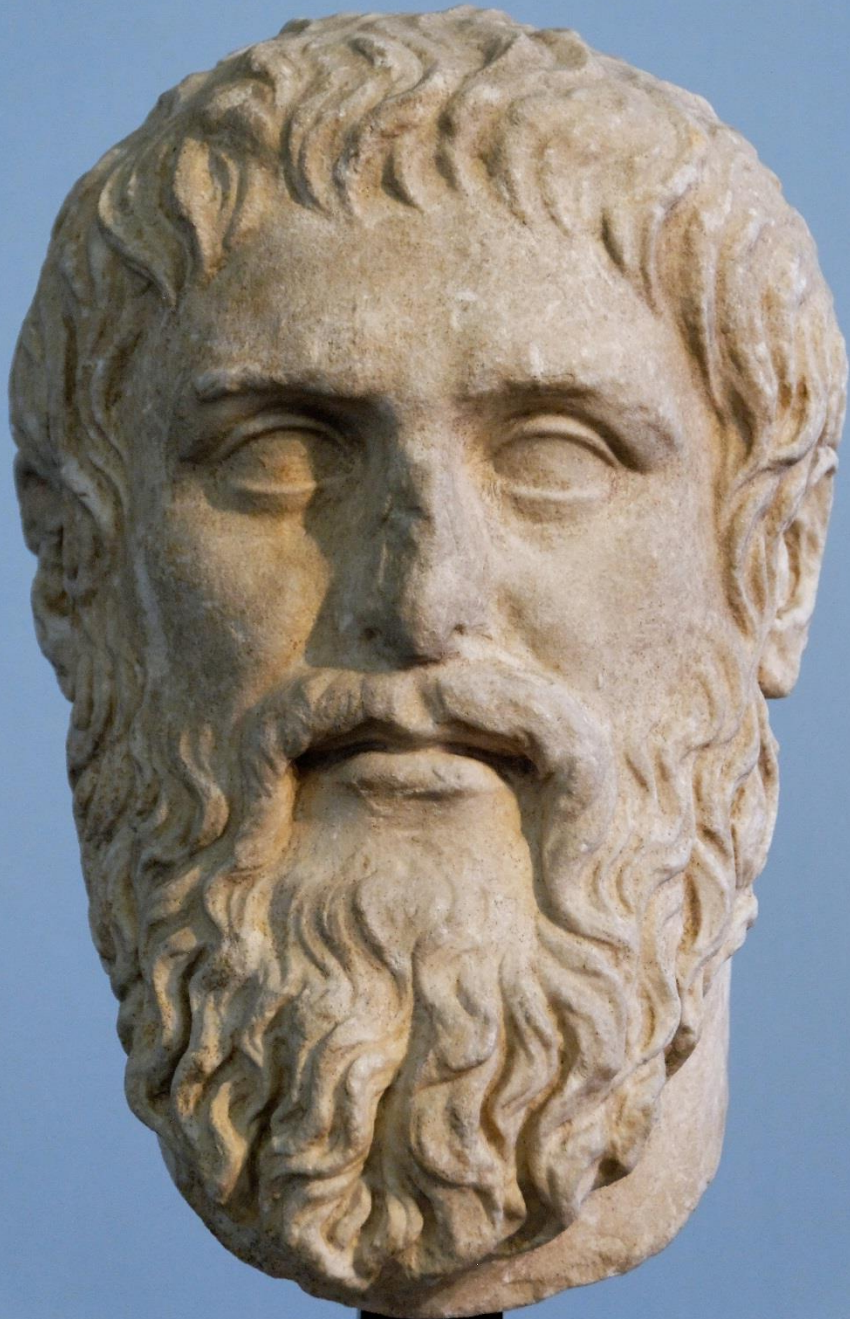


- **Who is the *real* Anya?**



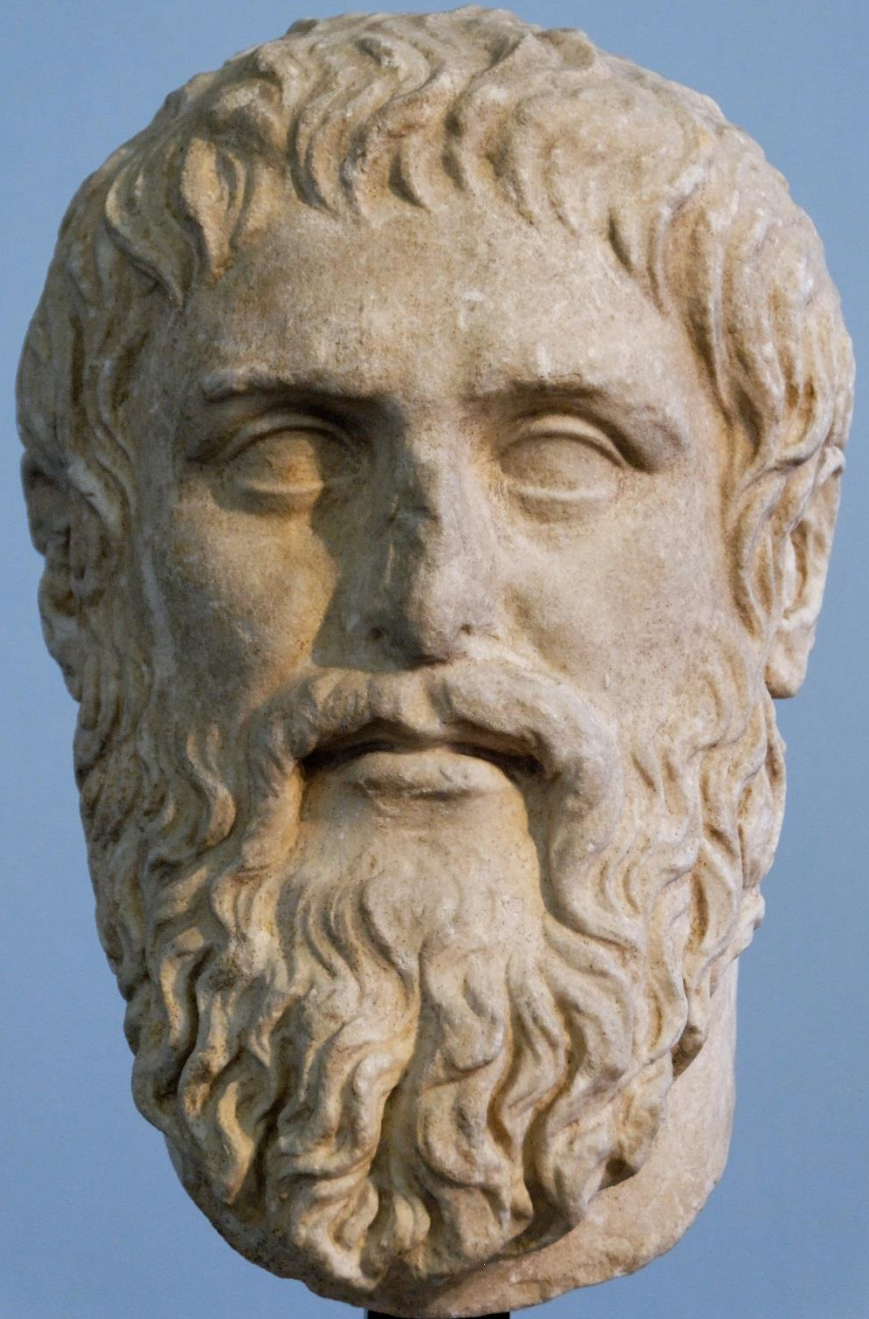


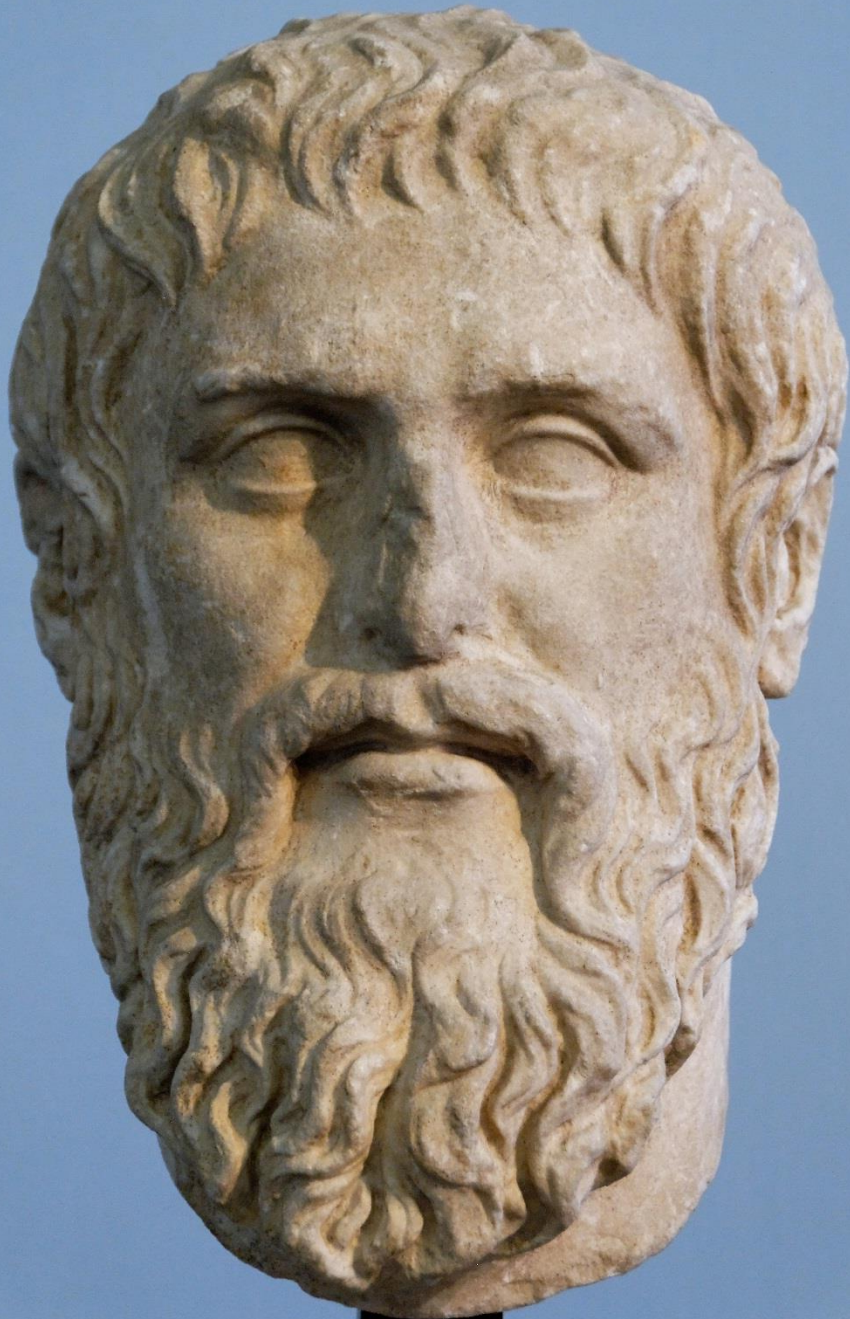
- **The physical world is
in a constant state of
flux**



**• Plato
encountered
the ideas of
Heraclitus**

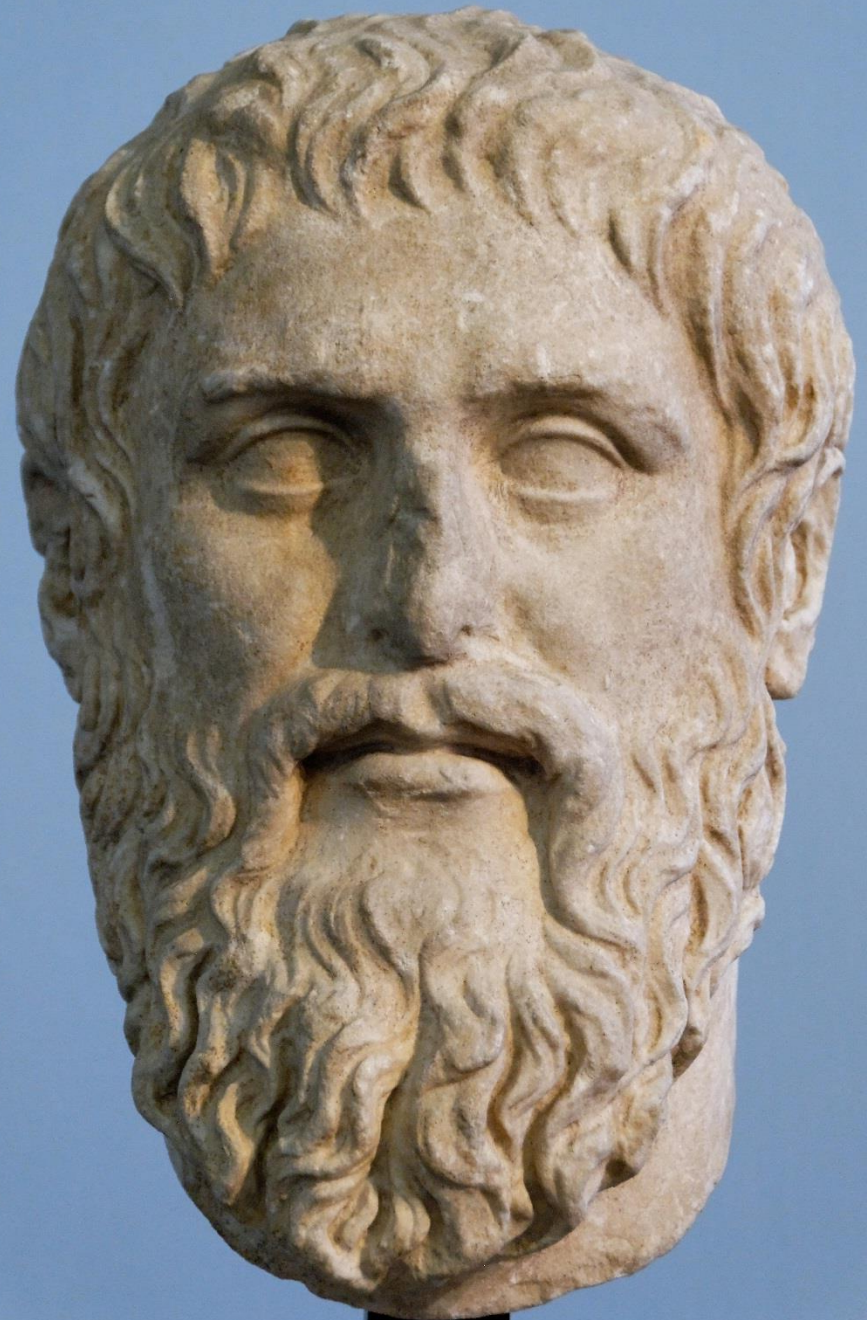
- How can we have knowledge of things if things are constantly changing?

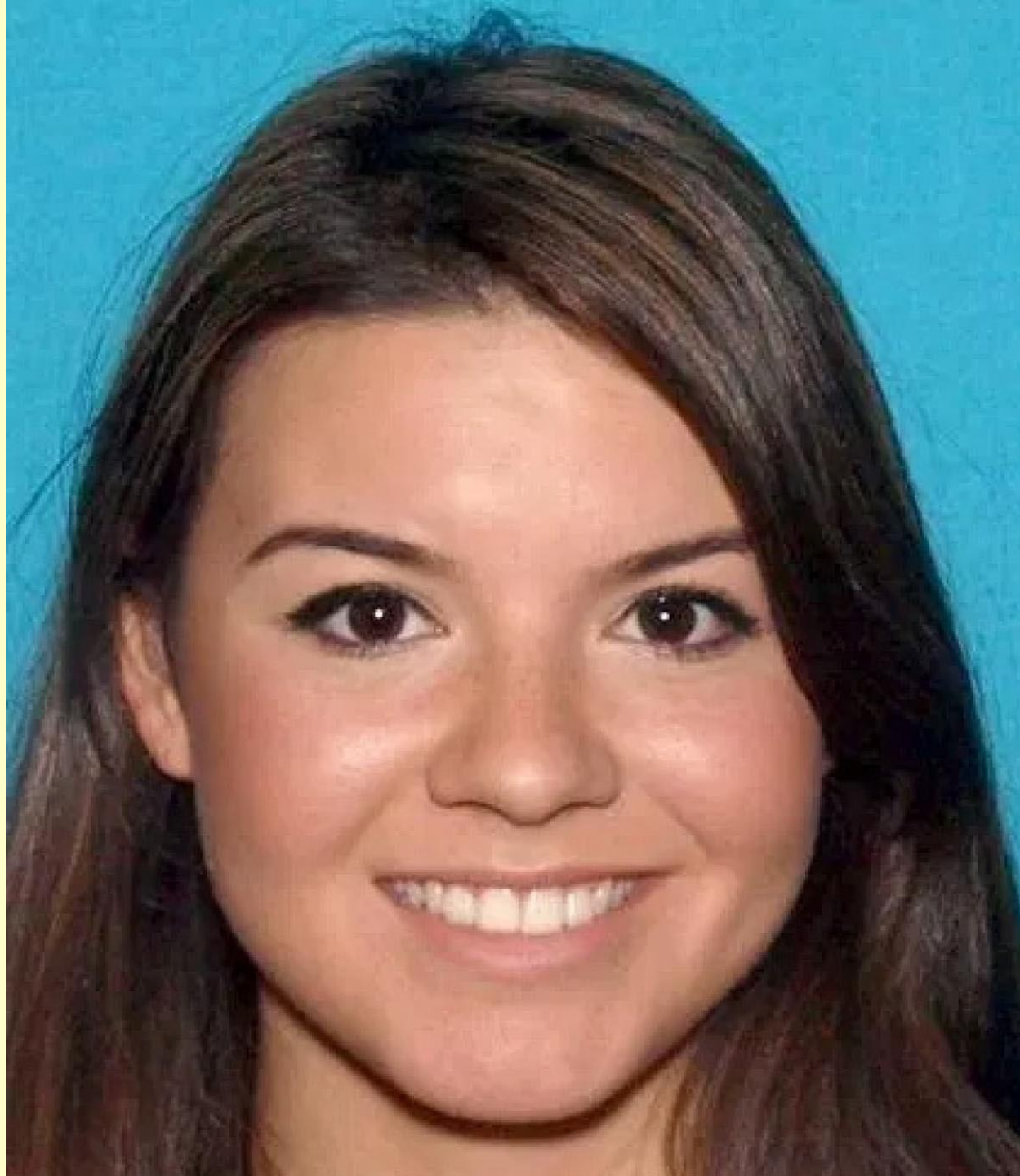




- We rely on **sense experience** to understand things in the changing, physical (material) world

- But how something *appears* can be different from how it *is*



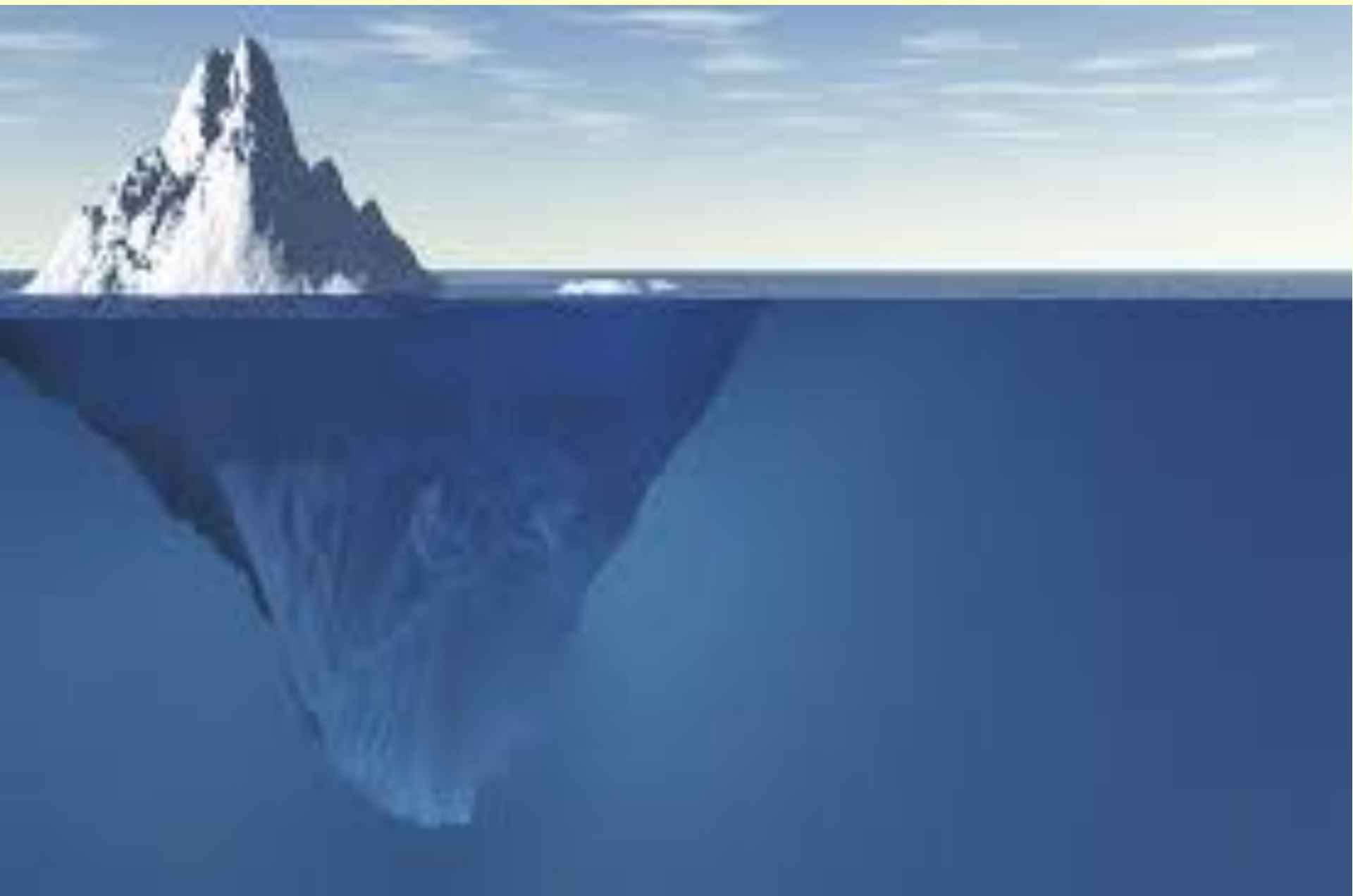


What You See



What You Get





**Plato's 'two-
world' theory**

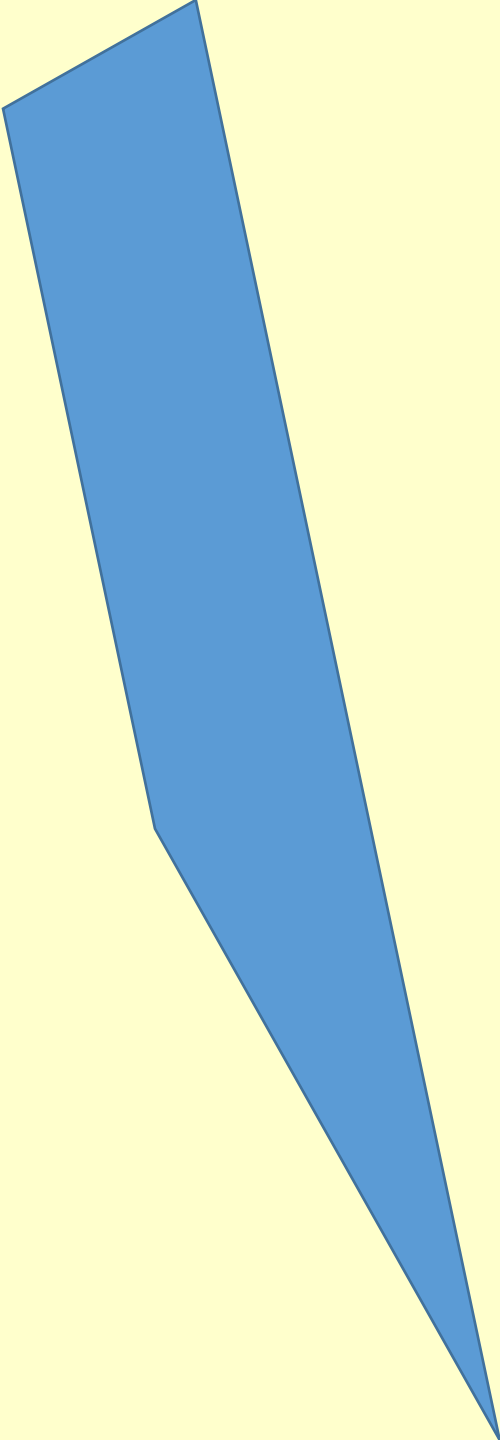
**Physical,
material realm**

**Realm of the
Forms
(Idea(l)s)**

**Plato's 'two-
world' theory**

**World of
appearance**

**(Really) real
world**



**Know about it
through the
senses**

**Know about it
through the
intellect**



Changing

Immutable



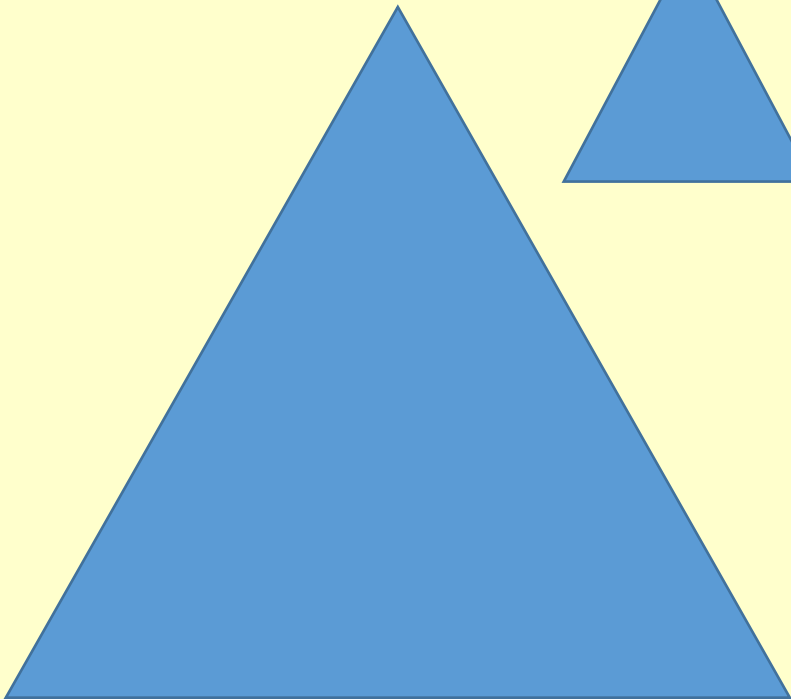
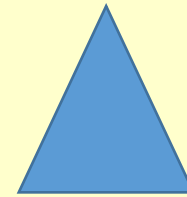
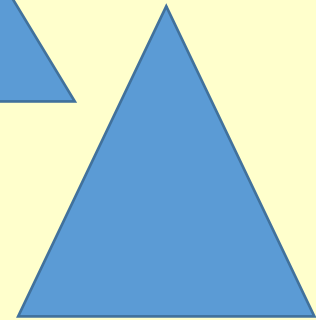
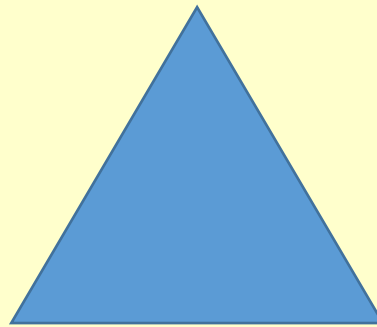
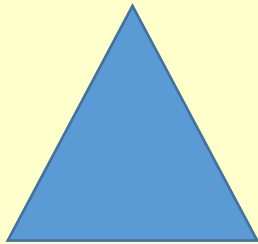
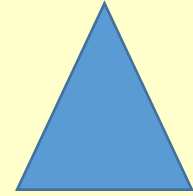
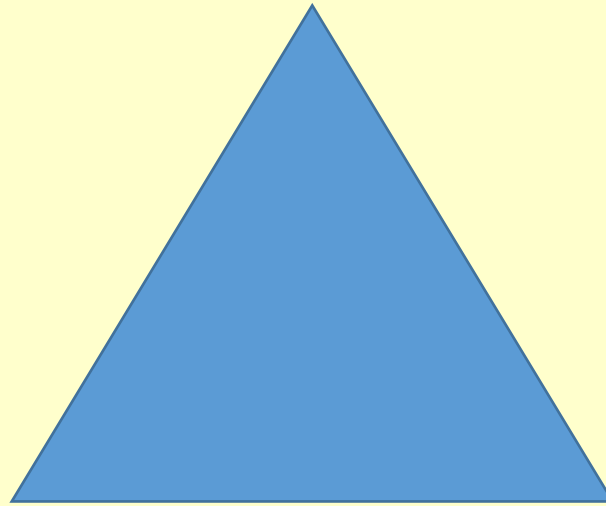
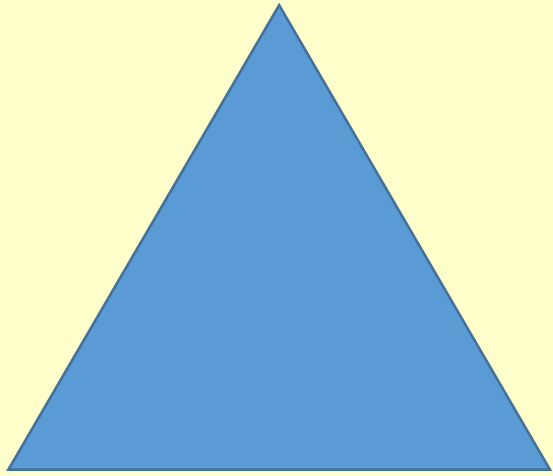
Ephemeral

Eternal




Physical

Metaphysical



**Examples of
triangles**



The fire

Prisoners

shadows cast
on wall

Roadway where
puppeteers perform

Pale shadows

**Examples of
triangles**

Imitations

Imperfect copies

But what **is** a
triangle itself?

How do you
know what a
real triangle is?



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MgotDFs6cdE&safe=true>



**Form of
friendship**

**What is real
friendship**

**Think of your
friends...How well
do they match this
Ideal?**

**Examples of
friends**

**You can never
see **friendship**
itself in the
real world**

**You can only
see shadows
(reflections,
glimpses) of it**

**When they're
listening to a
friend at lunch**

**When they're
lending their
friend a book**

**When they're
planning a
surprise party**



**How is it that you
recognise (shadowy)
examples of friendship
when you see it?**

