



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
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Religious Studies

RSS02

Unit B Religion and Ethics 2

Specimen paper for examinations in June 2010 onwards

This question paper uses the new numbering system and new AQA answer book

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 8-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is RSS02.
- Answer **two** questions.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- In each question, the first part tests your knowledge and understanding, while the second part tests your skills of reasoning and evaluation.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer **two** questions.

Each question has **two** parts. Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.

Question 1 Kant and ethics

0 1 Explain the key differences between deontological and teleological approaches to ethics. Refer to Kant's theory of ethics in your answer. *(30 marks)*

AND

0 2 'Kant's deontological theory of ethics fails because it ignores the consequences of our moral choices.'
Assess how far this is true. *(15 marks)*

Question 2 Natural Laws and ethics

0 3 Explain Aristotle's doctrine of the four causes. *(30 marks)*

AND

0 4 Assess the view that Aristotle's doctrine of causation has serious weaknesses. *(15 marks)*

Question 3 Religious views of the created world

0 5 Explain what is meant by the idea that God sustains the created world. *(30 marks)*

AND

0 6 'If God sustains the world, then God cannot be morally good.'
Assess this view. *(15 marks)*

Question 4 Environment, both local and worldwide

0 7 Outline how pollution threatens the environment, and explain the ethical problems raised by pollution. *(30 marks)*

AND

0 8 'The protection of the environment should be only for the good of humankind.'
Assess this claim. *(15 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS