



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination
June 2014

Religious Studies

RST3F

Unit 3F Religion and Contemporary Society

Wednesday 11 June 2014 1.30pm to 3.00pm

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

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Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is RST3F.
- Answer **two** questions.
Each question has **two** parts.
- 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 100.
- 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 Religion responding to the challenges facing the world

0 1 Examine the various attitudes to poverty found in **one or more** religion(s). **[30 marks]**

and

0 2 'The fact that religious people have different views about poverty means that they cannot really help the poor.'

Assess this claim.

[20 marks]

Question 2 Challenges to religion in contemporary society

0 3 Examine ways in which divisions within religion(s) create challenges for those religion(s). **[30 marks]**

and

0 4 'Such internal divisions make it totally impossible for religions to survive.'

Assess this view.

[20 marks]

Question 3 New forms of spirituality both within and outside religions

0 5 Explain reasons for the rise of interest in spirituality in recent years. **[30 marks]**

and

0 6 'The rise of interest in spirituality is greater outside mainstream religion than within it.'

Assess this claim.

[20 marks]

Question 4 Religion and national identity

0 7 Explain what is meant by a secular state.

[30 marks]

and

0 8 'In the 21st century, the state must be secular.'

Assess this view.

[20 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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