



General Certificate of Education  
Advanced Subsidiary Examination  
June 2015

## Religious Studies

## RSS02

### Unit B Religion and Ethics 2

Thursday 14 May 2015 9.00 am to 10.15 am

**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 **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. 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.

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Answer **two** questions.

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

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**Question 1 Kant's theory of ethics**

**0 1** Outline Kant's theory of ethics **and** explain what is meant by the summum bonum. **[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 2** 'Kant's need for the summum bonum shows that his ethical theory does not work.'  
Assess this claim. **[15 marks]**

**Question 2 Natural Law and ethics**

**0 3** Explain the importance of Aristotle's doctrine of the four causes for Aquinas' Natural Law ethics. **[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 4** 'Aristotle's doctrine of the final cause does not explain everything about the purpose of life.'  
How far do you agree? **[15 marks]**

**Question 3 Religious views of the created world**

**0 5** Explain the ways in which God is believed to sustain the created world. **[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 6** 'The status of non-humans shows that God does not sustain the world properly.'  
How far do you agree? **[15 marks]**

**Question 4 Environment, both local and worldwide**

**0 7** Explain **both** how and why attempts have been made to restrict Third World development.

**[30 marks]**

and

**0 8** 'It is ethically unacceptable to restrict Third World development.'

Assess this view.

**[15 marks]**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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