

A-level RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Paper 3F Religion and Contemporary Society

Wednesday 15 June 2016 Morning Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

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 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. 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 actions of one or more religion(s) on:

- war
- poverty.

[30 marks]

and

0 2 'From a religious point of view, it is more important to act on poverty than on war.'

Assess this view.

[20 marks]

Question 2 Challenges to religion in contemporary society

0 3 Explain what is meant by the idea of a secular society.

[30 marks]

and

0 4 'There is no place for the practice of religion in a secular society.'

Assess this view.

[20 marks]

Question 3 New forms of spirituality both within and outside religions

0 5 Examine sociological reasons for the interest in new forms of spirituality today.

[30 marks]

and

0 6 'Such sociological reasons are the only explanation for the present interest in spirituality.'

How far do you agree?

[20 marks]

Question 4 Religion and national identity

0 7 Outline the concept of civic religion **and** examine the relationship between civic religion and an established church.

[30 marks]

and

0 8 'An established church plays a vital role in the life of a nation today.'

Assess this view.

[20 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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