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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 6

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**Religious Ethics: Foundations, Principles
and Practice**

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FRIDAY 28 JANUARY, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question.

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Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Give an account of the religious and moral arguments in the debate about homosexuality. [35]
- (b) Explore the view that marriage should be limited to heterosexual couples. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) With reference to **one** relevant ethical theory, explain the arguments for legalising voluntary euthanasia. [35]
- (b) Explore the view that the Christian should always be opposed to euthanasia. Justify your answer. [15]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Describe the origins and features of the Natural Law theory. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that Natural Law theory is irrelevant. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Explain how Christians view the issue of abortion. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that the principle of the sanctity of human life cannot be questioned. Justify your answer. [15]

