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Tuesday 11 June 2019

Morning (Time: 2 hours)

Paper Reference **9RS0/02**

Religious Studies

Advanced

Paper 2: Religion and Ethics

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- There are **three** sections in this question paper. Answer **all** the questions in each section.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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SECTION A

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

1 Explore **two** ethical perspectives on animal welfare and protection.

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(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)



2 Assess the ethical challenges raised by pre-implantation genetic diagnosis (PGD).

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TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 20 MARKS



SECTION B

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Read the following passage before answering the questions.

Now all *imperatives* command either *hypothetically* or *categorically*. The former represent the practical necessity of a possible action as a means to attain something else which one wills (or which it is possible that one might will). The categorical imperative would be that one which represented an action as objectively necessary for itself, without any reference to another end... One imperative that, without being grounded on any other aim to be achieved through a certain course of conduct as its condition, commands this conduct immediately. This imperative is **categorical**. It has to do not with the matter of the action and what is to result from it, but with the form and the principle from which it results; and what is essentially good about it consists in the disposition, whatever the result may be. This imperative may be called that **of morality**... Thus we will have to investigate the possibility of a categorical imperative entirely *a priori*, since here we cannot have the advantage that its reality is given in experience, so that its possibility would be necessary not for its establishment but only for its explanation.

(Source: Adapted from 'Groundwork for the Metaphysics of Morals', Kant, I., translated by Wood, A. W., Yale University Press Edition, 2002, Edexcel Anthology)

- 3** (a) Clarify the ideas illustrated in this passage about how the hypothetical and categorical imperatives provide moral direction.

You must refer to the passage in your response.

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(b) Analyse the extent to which Kant's approach to ethics is an unhelpful moral principle.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS



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