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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.
- Good luck with your examination.

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SECTION A

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

1 Explore the important ideas of Natural Moral Law.

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(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)

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2 Assess the value of **two** contrasting approaches to environmental ethics.

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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.

Virtue, then, being of two kinds, intellectual and moral, intellectual virtue in the main owes both its birth and its growth to teaching (for which reason it requires experience and time), while moral virtue comes about as a result of habit, whence also its name (ēthikē) is one that is formed by a slight variation from the word ethos (habit). From this it is also plain that none of the moral virtues arises in us by nature; for nothing that exists by nature can form a habit contrary to its nature. For instance the stone which by nature moves downwards cannot be habituated to move upwards, not even if one tries to train it by throwing it up ten thousand times; nor can fire be habituated to move downwards, nor can anything else that by nature behaves in one way be trained to behave in another. Neither by nature, then, nor contrary to nature do the virtues arise in us; rather we are adapted by nature to receive them, and are made perfect by habit.

(Source: extract adapted from Aristotle, *The Nicomachean Ethic*, translated by David Ross, Oxford World's Classics edition, OUP, 1980, Book II, Moral virtue, pp 23-26, Edexcel Anthology)

- 3 (a) Clarify the ideas about moral virtue illustrated in this passage.

You must refer to the passage in your response.

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(b) Analyse the problems identified by scholars with regard to the use of ethical language.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS



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TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 30 MARKS
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