



GCE A level

556/02

RELIGIOUS STUDIES - RS6b

Studies in Philosophy of Religion

P.M. FRIDAY, 6 June 2008

1½ hours

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer **two** questions.

Write your answers in the separate answer book provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

All questions carry 25 marks. The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

All questions should be answered in continuous prose. Quality of Written Communication will be assessed in all questions.

Answer two questions.

1. (a) Examine propositional and non-propositional concepts of revelation. [15]
(b) 'Revelation, not reason, is the basis of faith.'
Evaluate this contention. [10]

2. (a) Explain the inherent difficulties of using religious language. [15]
(b) Determine to what extent these difficulties have been resolved by philosophers. [10]

3. (a) Explain philosophical reasons for the claim that miracles do not happen. [15]
(b) Consider how far the claim that miracles do not happen is convincing. [10]