



**GCE A level**

1348/01

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**RS3 CS - Studies in Religion in  
Contemporary Society**

A.M. MONDAY, 13 June 2011

1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

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

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions.

Write your answers in the separate answer book provided.

Write the number of each question you answer both alongside your answer and on the front cover of the answer book.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

All questions carry 50 marks.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each part-question.

Part (*a*) of each question tests your knowledge and understanding.

Part (*b*) of each question tests your skills of reasoning and evaluation.

You are reminded of the need for good English and orderly, clear presentation in your answers. All questions should be answered in continuous prose. Assessment will take into account the quality of written communication in all your answers.

*Answer two questions.*

1. (a) Explain what is meant by 'religious freedom'. [30]  
(b) 'Religious freedom is more important than community cohesion.'  
Evaluate this view. [20]
  
2. (a) Explain how films represent members of faith communities. [30]  
(b) 'Religious beliefs and practices are always mocked in films.'  
Assess this view. [20]
  
3. (a) Examine religious diversity in the UK. [30]  
(b) 'Evaluate the view that Christianity is the religion of the British.' [20]
  
4. (a) Explain the views of psychologists who see religious belief as psychologically 'healthy'. [30]  
(b) 'People who pray are happier and healthier.'  
Evaluate this view. [20]