



**GCE AS/A level**

1342/01

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**RS1/2 ETH - Introduction to Religion and Ethics**

A.M. WEDNESDAY, 16 May 2012

1¼ hours

#### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need an 8 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**

Each question carries 45 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 Aquinas' Natural Law theory. [30]  
(b) 'Natural Law is no longer relevant in society.'  
Assess this view. [15]
  
2. (a) Explain why Situation Ethics is considered to be a consequentialist and a relativistic theory. [30]  
(b) 'Situation Ethics promotes bad behaviour.'  
Assess this view. [15]
  
3. (a) Outline Bentham's and Mill's versions of Utilitarianism. [30]  
(b) 'Utilitarianism works.'  
Assess this view. [15]
  
4. (a) Explain the ethical teachings of **one** major world religion on adultery. [30]  
(b) 'Traditional attitudes towards adultery are unfair.'  
Assess this view. [15]