



GCE A level

1348/01

RELIGIOUS STUDIES – RS3 CS
Studies in Religion in Contemporary Society

A.M. THURSDAY, 6 June 2013

1¾ 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

Each question carries 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) Examine the relationship between religion and the State in the UK. [30]
(b) Assess the view that the involvement of religion in government only brings problems. [20]

2. (a) Examine, with reference to at least one film, the ways in which film can be used to teach about religion. [30]
(b) 'Important religious events should never be portrayed in film.'
Assess this view. [20]

3. (a) Examine Weber's view on the relationship between religion and capitalism. [30]
(b) 'Functionalist explanations of religion are inadequate.'
Assess this view. [20]

4. (a) Explain the views of Fowler on the nature of religious faith. [30]
(b) 'Developmental theories of religion are inadequate.'
Assess this view. [20]