



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
January 2011

Religious Studies

RSS02

Unit B Religion and Ethics 2

Wednesday 12 January 2011 9.00 am to 10.15 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 8-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 15 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is RSS02.
- Answer **two** questions.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- In each question, the first part tests your knowledge and understanding, while the second part tests your skills of reasoning and evaluation.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer **two** questions.

Each question has **two** parts. Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.

Question 1 Kant and ethics

0 | 1 Explain the main features of Kant's theory of ethics. (30 marks)

and

0 | 2 'Kant's theory of ethics does not work.'
How far do you agree? (15 marks)

Question 2 Natural Law and ethics

0 | 3 Explain Aquinas' development of the idea of natural good. (30 marks)

and

0 | 4 'Natural good cannot exist, otherwise everybody would be good.'
Assess this claim. (15 marks)

Question 3 Religious views of the created world

0 | 5 'This world is the best possible world God could have created.'
Explain the reasons why some people make this claim. (30 marks)

and

0 | 6 'This world is perfect.'
Assess this claim. (15 marks)

Question 4 Environment, both local and worldwide

0 | 7 Outline attempts that have been made to conserve the living environment, and explain why some people believe that these have become necessary. (30 marks)

and

0 | 8 'The only point in conserving the living environment is to preserve humans.'
How far do you agree? (15 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS