



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination
June 2012

Religious Studies

RST3A

Unit 3A Religion and Ethics

Thursday 31 May 2012 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 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 RST3A.
- 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 100.
- 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 Libertarianism, free will and determinism

0 1 Examine the role of conscience in libertarianism. *(30 marks)*

and

0 2 'Libertarianism is good in theory, but cannot work in practice.'
Assess this view. *(20 marks)*

Question 2 Virtue Ethics

0 3 Summarise Aristotle's Virtue Ethics. *(30 marks)*

and

0 4 'Friendship is the most important aspect of human nature in Virtue Ethics.'
How far do you agree? *(20 marks)*

Question 3 Religious views on sexual behaviour and human relationships

0 5 Analyse different concepts of love, as found in the religion(s) you have studied. *(30 marks)*

and

0 6 Assess the view that a religious concept of love is the most difficult to put into practice. *(20 marks)*

Question 4 Science and technology

0 7 Examine ways in which the use of technology may conflict with human rights. *(30 marks)*

and

0 8 'Advances in technology should always override human rights.'
How far do you agree? *(20 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS