



General Certificate of Education  
Advanced Level Examination  
June 2014

## Religious Studies

## RST3A

### Unit 3A Religion and Ethics

Wednesday 11 June 2014 1.30pm to 3.00pm

**For this paper you must have:**

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

#### Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

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#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is RST3A.
- Answer **two** questions.  
Each question has **two** parts.
- 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.

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Answer **two** questions.

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

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**Question 1    Libertarianism, free will and determinism**

**0 | 1**    Examine various understandings of the concept of free will.

**[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 | 2**    ‘Free will is necessary for making ethical choices.’

Assess this view.

**[20 marks]**

**Question 2    Virtue Ethics**

**0 | 3**    Examine the differences between Virtue Ethics and deontological and teleological systems of decision making.

**[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 | 4**    ‘Virtue Ethics is a weak ethical system.’

Assess this view.

**[20 marks]**

**Question 3    Religious views on sexual behaviour and human relationships**

**0 | 5**    Explain institutional-based ideas from one religion about sexual behaviour.

**[30 marks]**

**and**

**0 | 6**    ‘Marriage can only be between a man and a woman.’

Assess this view, with reference to religious teachings.

**[20 marks]**

**Question 4 Science and technology**

**0 7** Examine the role of ethics in making decisions about animal experimentation. **[30 marks]**

and

**0 8** 'The rights of animals have no place in scientific developments.'  
Assess this claim. **[20 marks]**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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