

ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY (AS) General Certificate of Education 2013

Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 6 assessing Religious Ethics: Foundations, Principles and Practice



[AR161]

MONDAY 24 JUNE, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Candidate Number and Centre Number on the Answer Booklet provided. Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100. Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions. Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question in allocating the available examination time.

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Section A

Answer one question from Section A

1	(a)	Give an account of the contribution of any two key figures to the development of Utilitarianism.	[35]	
	(b)	Explore the view that Utilitarianism could justify the most immoral of human actions. Justify your answer.	[15]	
2	(a)	Explain the nature of Paul's ethics with reference to examples from his writings.	[35]	
	(b)	Explore the view that the teaching of the Decalogue is more important for the Christian than Paul's moral teaching. Justify your answer.	[15]	
		Section B		
Answer one question from Section B				
3	(a)	Explain the religious and ethical views on key issues surrounding the abortion		

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	debate.	[35]

- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that abortion violates the rights and dignity of the mother and child. Justify your answer. [15]
- **4** (a) Explain the moral difficulties raised by same-sex relationships for Christians. [35]
 - (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that sexual abstinence should be expected of the unmarried. Justify your answer. [15]

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