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Option 4E: Judaism

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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Paper 4: Study of Religion, Option 4E: Judaism Mark Scheme – 2018

Question number	Indicative content
number 1	8 marks AO1 AO1 will be used by candidates to demonstrate knowledge and understanding using specialist language and terminology when responding to the question. Candidates may refer to the following. • Key beliefs about God as Creator including Ruler and Sustainer of all creation. • The uncompromising monotheism of Judaism has implications for the relationship between God and humanity. • The belief that God created man in his image (zelem) is a spiritual quality and not a physical one. • There are different emphases between Orthodox and Reform regarding status of belief in Creator. • There are implications for the value of Stewardship and conservation.

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-2	 A narrow range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected but are unlikely to be used appropriately or accurately (AO1). Knowledge and understanding addresses a narrow range of key religious ideas and beliefs with some inaccuracies (AO1). Provides a superficial understanding of key religious ideas and beliefs (AO1).
Level 2	3-5	 A range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected, most of which are used appropriately with some inaccuracies (AO1). Knowledge and understanding addresses a narrow range of key religious ideas and beliefs (AO1). Develops key religious ideas and beliefs to show a depth of understanding (AO1).
Level 3	6-8	 A wide range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are carefully selected and used appropriately, accurately and sustained throughout (AO1). Knowledge and understanding addresses a broad range of key religious ideas and beliefs (AO1). Comprehensively develops key religious ideas and beliefs to show a depth of understanding (AO1).

Question number	Answer		
	2		
2	3 marks AO1, 6 marks AO2		
	AO1 will be used by candidates to underpin their analysis and evaluation. Candidates will be required to demonstrate knowledge and understanding using specialist language and terminology when responding to the question, and in meeting AO2 descriptors described below.		
	 Candidates may refer to the following in relation to AO1. Halevi stressed the unity between God and the People of Israel. 		
	The importance of Israel for development of Jewish thought and teaching.		
	 The range of his writings, which included poetry, had a varied influence on Rabbinic Judaism. 		
	AO2 requires candidates to develop their answers showing analytical and evaluative skills to address the question. Such responses will be underpinned by their use of knowledge and understanding.		
	 Candidates may refer to the following in relation to AO2. Halevi criticised Greek philosophy as well as Christianity and Islam because of the supremacy of Jewish beliefs and traditions. Halevi influenced Rabbinic Judaism because of his belief that God can only be known through revelation and prophecy. Halevi opposed kalam which is based on reason compared to the primacy of revelation. According to Halevi, God can only be approached through the intermediary of revelation and the Jewish prophets because this was fundamental to Rabbinic thought and tradition. 		
	Candidates who show achievement only against AO1 will not be able to gain marks beyond the top of Level 1		

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-3	 A narrow range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected but are unlikely to be used appropriately or accurately (AO1). Information/issues are identified (AO2). Judgements are supported by generalised arguments (AO2).
Level 2	4-6	 A range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected most of which are used appropriately with some inaccuracies (AO1). Deconstructs religious information/issues which lead to a simplistic chain of reasoning (AO2). Judgements of a limited range of elements in the question are made (AO2).
Level 3	7-9	 A wide range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are carefully selected and used appropriately, accurately and sustained throughout (AO1). Critically deconstructs religious information/issues leading to coherent and logical chains of reasoning (AO2). Constructs coherent and reasoned judgements of the full range of elements in the question (AO2).

Question number	Indicative content
3	3 marks AO1, 6 marks AO2 AO1 will be used by candidates to underpin their analysis and evaluation. Candidates will be required to demonstrate knowledge and understanding using specialist language and terminology when responding to the question, and in meeting AO2 descriptors described below.
	 Candidates may refer to the following in relation to AO1. There is a distinctive emphasis that God reveals himself in the Torah as given by God to Moses. It is shown great respect in synagogue services. The oral Torah, the Talmud, gives instructions about Jewish practice and customs and its status across Jewish traditions.
	AO2 requires candidates to develop their answers showing analytical and evaluative skills to address the question. Such responses will be underpinned by their use of knowledge and understanding.
	 Candidates may refer to the following in relation to AO2. Types of authority are related to various sources of wisdom and therefore these have different emphases across different Jewish traditions. Instructions about the Sabbath from these scriptures have different interpretations across different Jewish traditions and therefore represent significantly different emphases. The Laws of Kashrut from Jewish scriptures are extremely important but have different interpretations across a range of Jewish traditions. Belief in the infallibility of the Torah varies between Orthodoxy and Reform and therefore represents a significant difference.
	Candidates who show achievement only against AO1 will not be able to gain marks beyond the top of Level 1.

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	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-3	 A narrow range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected but are unlikely to be used appropriately or accurately (AO1). Information/issues are identified (AO2). Judgements are supported by generalised arguments (AO2).
Level 2	4-6	 A range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected, most of which are used appropriately with some inaccuracies (AO1). Deconstructs religious information/issues, which lead to a simplistic chain of reasoning (AO2). Judgements of a limited range of elements in the question are made which are supported by an attempt to appraise evidence (AO2).
Level 3	7-9	 A wide range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are carefully selected and used appropriately, accurately and sustained throughout (AO1). Critically deconstructs religious information/issues leading to coherent and logical chains of reasoning (AO2). Constructs coherent and reasoned judgements of the full range of elements in the question, which are fully supported by the comprehensive appraisal of evidence (AO2).

Question number	Indicative content
4(a)	8 marks AO1 AO1 will be used by candidates to demonstrate knowledge, understanding and specialist language and terminology when responding to the question.
	 Candidates may refer to the following. The distinctive context of Jewish moral values embedded in revelation and the Torah. The attributes of God and their influence on human values. Combination of a few fundamental values coupled with a far more extensive compilation which impinges on every aspect of life. There are differences of opinion regarding these universal values. Some of the universal values have been absorbed by various religious traditions.

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-2	 A narrow range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected but are unlikely to be used appropriately or accurately (AO1). Knowledge and understanding addresses a narrow range of key religious ideas and beliefs with some inaccuracies (AO1). Provides a superficial understanding of key religious ideas and beliefs (AO1).
Level 2	3-5	 A range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected, most of which are used appropriately with some inaccuracies (AO1). Knowledge and understanding addresses a narrow range of key religious ideas and beliefs (AO1). Develops key religious ideas and beliefs to show a depth of understanding (AO1).
Level 3	6-8	 A wide range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are carefully selected and used appropriately, accurately and sustained throughout (AO1). Knowledge and understanding addresses a broad range of key religious ideas and beliefs (AO1). Comprehensively develops key religious ideas and beliefs to show a depth of understanding (AO1).

Question	Indicative content	
number 4(b)	5 marks AO1, 15 marks AO2	
	AO1 will be used by candidates to underpin their analysis and evaluation. Candidates will be required to demonstrate knowledge and understanding using specialist language and terminology when responding to the question, and in meeting AO2 descriptors described below.	
	 Candidates may refer to the following in relation to AO1. Orthodoxy and its basis in revelation of God has similarities with Reform Reform has its basis in evolving beliefs. Key features of Orthodox practices may be found in synagogues and in the home. 	
	AO2 requires candidates to develop their answers showing analytical and evaluative skills to address the question. Such responses will be underpinned by their use of knowledge and understanding.	
	 Candidates may refer to the following in relation to AO2. There are issues about Jewish identity because of the substantive differences between Orthodoxy and Reform. There are contrasts between living according to Halakhah and therefore differences between Orthodoxy and Reform. There is the influence of Haskalah on development of Reform and therefore differences with Orthodoxy. There are similarities and differences between a range of Orthodox traditions and Reform movements and these therefore complicate any analysis and debate about Jewish identity. Historical and geographical differences both across and within these traditions raise complicated views about Jewish identity. Therefore, the considerable discrepancies about a coherent understanding of Jewish identity pose problems about the study of Judaism. Candidates who show achievement only against AO1 will not be able to gain 	
	marks beyond the top of Level 1.	

Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-5	 A narrow range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected but are unlikely to be used appropriately or accurately (AO1). Information/issues may be selected (AO2). Makes basic connections between a limited range of elements in the question. Judgements are supported by generic arguments (AO2). Judgements made with no attempt to appraise evidence (AO2).
Level 2	6-10	 A limited range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected, some of which are used appropriately with some inaccuracies (AO1). Deconstructs religious information/issues (AO2). Makes connections between a limited range of elements in the question (AO2). Judgements of a limited range of elements in the question are made Judgements made with little or no attempt to appraise evidence (AO2).
Level 3	11-15	 A range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are selected, most of which are used appropriately with some inaccuracies (AO1). Deconstructs religious information/issues, which lead to a simple chain of reasoning (AO2). Makes connections between many but not all of the elements in the question (AO2). Judgements of a limited range of elements in the question are made. Judgements are supported by an attempt to appraise evidence (AO2).
Level 4	16-20	 A wide range of knowledge, specialist language and terminology are carefully selected and used appropriately, accurately and sustained throughout (AO1). Critically deconstructs religious information/issues leading to coherent and logical chains of reasoning (AO2). Makes connections between the full range of elements in the question (AO2). Constructs coherent and reasoned judgements of the full range of elements in the question. Reasoned judgements are fully supported by the comprehensive appraisal of evidence (AO2).