

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**

**Advanced GCE**

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**2794**

Connections in Religious Studies (Routes F, M, Q, T)

Wednesday **29 JUNE 2005** Afternoon 1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the separate answer paper.

Additional materials:

8 page Answer paper

**TIME** 1 hour 30 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer paper/answer booklet.
- Answer **two** questions, both chosen from the Route for which you have been prepared.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, on the separate answer paper provided.
- If you use more than one sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.
- Write the number of each question attempted in the grid on the front of the answer booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- Each question carries 60 marks.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 120.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of your written communication in both answers.

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**This question paper consists of 2 printed pages.**

Answer two questions, both chosen from the Route for which you have been prepared.

Route F – Philosophy of Religion with Islam

- 1 Assess critically Muslim understanding of the nature of religious experience.
- 2 'It is impossible for people to have any form of life after they have died, therefore Muslim beliefs about life after death are wrong.' Discuss.
- 3 'Hume's criticisms of cosmological arguments can also be used to show that the kalam argument for the existence of God has fatal flaws.' Discuss.

Route M – Religious Ethics with Islam

- 4 'Muslim morality has nothing in common with moral relativism.' Discuss.
- 5 'Islam teaches that Muslims should treat each other better than they treat non-Muslims.' Discuss.
- 6 'In issues of modern medical ethics, Muslims should leave everything to the will of Allah and let nature take its course.' Discuss.

Route Q – Developments in Christian Thought with Islam

- 7 Compare and contrast the ways in which Islam and Christianity understand the role of women in modern society.
- 8 'Islam and Christianity agree that there will be a reward for all those who sincerely try to follow God, whatever their religious tradition.' Discuss.
- 9 'The message of Liberation Theology is a Christian message; it has nothing in common with the teachings of Islam.' Discuss.

Route T – New Testament with Islam

- 10 'The primary concern of both New Testament and Muslim ethics is to treat other people in the way that you would want to be treated yourself.' Discuss.
- 11 'Christian and Muslim beliefs about life after death have nothing in common.' Discuss.
- 12 'Both the New Testament and Islam teach that the revelation of God to humanity can be seen mainly in the events of history.' Discuss.

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