

**ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE UNIT
RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

Religious Ethics 1 (AS)

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Afternoon

Time: 1 hour

Additional materials: Answer Booklet (8 pages)



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer paper/ answer booklet.
- Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.
- If you use extra sheets of paper, fasten the sheets to the answer booklet.
- Answer **two** questions, one from each part.
- Do **not** answer two questions from the same part.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 100.
- The quality of your written communication will be taken into account.

This document consists of **2** printed pages.

Answer **two** questions, **one** from Part 1 and **one** from Part 2.

Part 1

Answer **one** question from this part.

- 1 (a) 'People should always do their duty.' Explain how Kant understood this. [33]
 (b) How useful is Kant's theory of duty as a basis for morality? [17]
- 2 (a) Explain how Virtue Ethics could be applied to embryo research. [33]
 (b) 'The problem with Virtue Ethics is that it gives no definite answers to moral problems.' Discuss. [17]
- 3 (a) Explain, with examples, the main differences between absolute and relative morality. [33]
 (b) 'Absolute morality is the best approach to medical ethics.' Discuss. [17]

Part 2

Answer **one** question from this part.

- 4 (a) Explain the main strengths of Mill's version of Utilitarianism. [33]
 (b) 'Mill's Utilitarianism has no serious weaknesses.' Discuss. [17]
- 5 (a) Explain how Utilitarianism might be applied to the issues surrounding the right to a child. [33]
 (b) 'Utilitarianism can lead to wrong moral decisions.' Discuss. [17]
- 6 (a) Explain the main strengths of Natural Law theory. [33]
 (b) 'Natural Law theory is the best approach to moral decision making.' Discuss. [17]

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