

**ADVANCED GCE UNIT
RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

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

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Morning

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials: Answer Booklet (8 pages)



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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, in the separate answer booklet provided.
- If you use extra sheets of paper, fasten the sheets to the answer booklet.
- Write the number of each question attempted in the grid on the front of the answer booklet.
- Read the 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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Answer **two** questions, both chosen from the Route for which you have been prepared.

Route F – Philosophy of Religion with Islam

- 1 'The kalam argument is more convincing than the traditional Christian arguments for the existence of God.' Discuss.
- 2 'The nature of religious experience in Islam is very different from the arguments of William James.' Discuss.
- 3 'The authority of the Qur'an is absolute, that of the Bible is not.' Discuss.

Route M – Religious Ethics with Islam

- 4 To what extent is Muslim morality absolutist?
- 5 Compare and contrast Muslim approaches to abortion with that of Utilitarianism.
- 6 'The equality of all humanity is incompatible with the concept of Ummah.' Discuss.

Route Q – Developments in Christian Thought with Islam

- 7 'Both Islam and Christianity allow only an exclusivist approach to other religions.' Discuss.
- 8 'The aims of Liberation Theology and of the Ummah are essentially the same.' Discuss.
- 9 'Teachings about equality mean that there is no need for feminism in Islam.' Discuss.

Route T – New Testament with Islam

- 10 Compare and contrast Muslim and New Testament understanding of the nature of sin and redemption.
- 11 'The New Testament concept of agape makes no sense in Islam.' Discuss.
- 12 'Jesus is more important to Christians than Muhammad ﷺ is to Muslims.' Discuss.

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