

**ADVANCED GCE  
RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

Connections in Religious Studies (Routes B, G, H, N, R, V)

**MONDAY 16 JUNE 2008**

**2795**

Morning  
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Additional materials (enclosed):** None

**Additional materials (required):**  
Answer Booklet (8 pages)



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **two** questions, both chosen from the Route for which you have been prepared.
- Do **not** answer questions from more than one Route.
- 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.

**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.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.

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**Route B Philosophy of Religion with Jewish Scriptures**

- 1 'The concept of revelation is incoherent when applied to the Jewish Scriptures.' Discuss.
- 2 'Without an understanding of religious language, the Jewish Scriptures might appear to be meaningless.' Discuss.
- 3 'The book of Job proves that suffering is the responsibility of G-d, not of humans.' Discuss.

**Route G Philosophy of Religion with Judaism**

- 4 'The strength of the relationship between G-d and the Jews is demonstrated by the existence of the modern state of Israel.' Discuss.
- 5 'The twentieth-century Holocaust demonstrated the evil of humanity and the ineffectiveness of G-d.' Discuss.
- 6 'The concept of revelation in Judaism is incoherent.' Discuss.

**Route H Religious Ethics and Jewish Scriptures**

- 7 'The Jewish Scriptures have little to offer in relation to modern ethical debates about the environment.' Discuss.
- 8 'The Jewish Scriptures show that people do not really have free will.' Discuss.
- 9 'Duty to G-d is the main teaching of the Jewish Scriptures.' Discuss.

**Route N Religious Ethics and Judaism**

- 10 'Judaism has little to offer in relation to modern ethical debates about the environment.' Discuss.
- 11 'Judaism cannot be considered to be a pacifist religion.' Discuss.
- 12 'Jewish ethics cannot be totally determinist or there would be no purpose in existence.' Discuss.

**Route R Jewish Scriptures and Judaism**

- 13 'The theology of the Book of Job and the events of the twentieth-century Holocaust suggest that G-d is willing to let humanity suffer.' Discuss.
- 14 'The existence of the present-day state of Israel is clearly supported by the Jewish Scriptures.' Discuss.
- 15 'The Covenants of the Jewish Scriptures are the single most important aspect of Jewish life and worship.' Discuss.

**Route V Islam and Judaism**

- 16 'Jewish worship is personal; worship in Islam is collective.' Discuss.
- 17 'Internal divisions between believers are the least important part of both Islam and Judaism.' Discuss.
- 18 'There is very little difference between Muslim and Jewish understandings of the nature of revelation through sacred texts.' Discuss.

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