



General Certificate of Secondary Education
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Humanities

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Unit 1 Humanities Core

Preliminary Material

Sources Booklet for Unit 1

To be opened and issued to candidates no sooner than Monday 1 February 2010

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

You have been given **one** copy of this Sources Booklet for use during your preparation for the examination. You may annotate this copy as you wish but you are **not** allowed to take it into the examination.

You will be provided with a clean copy of the Sources Booklet, along with the question paper, for use in the examination.

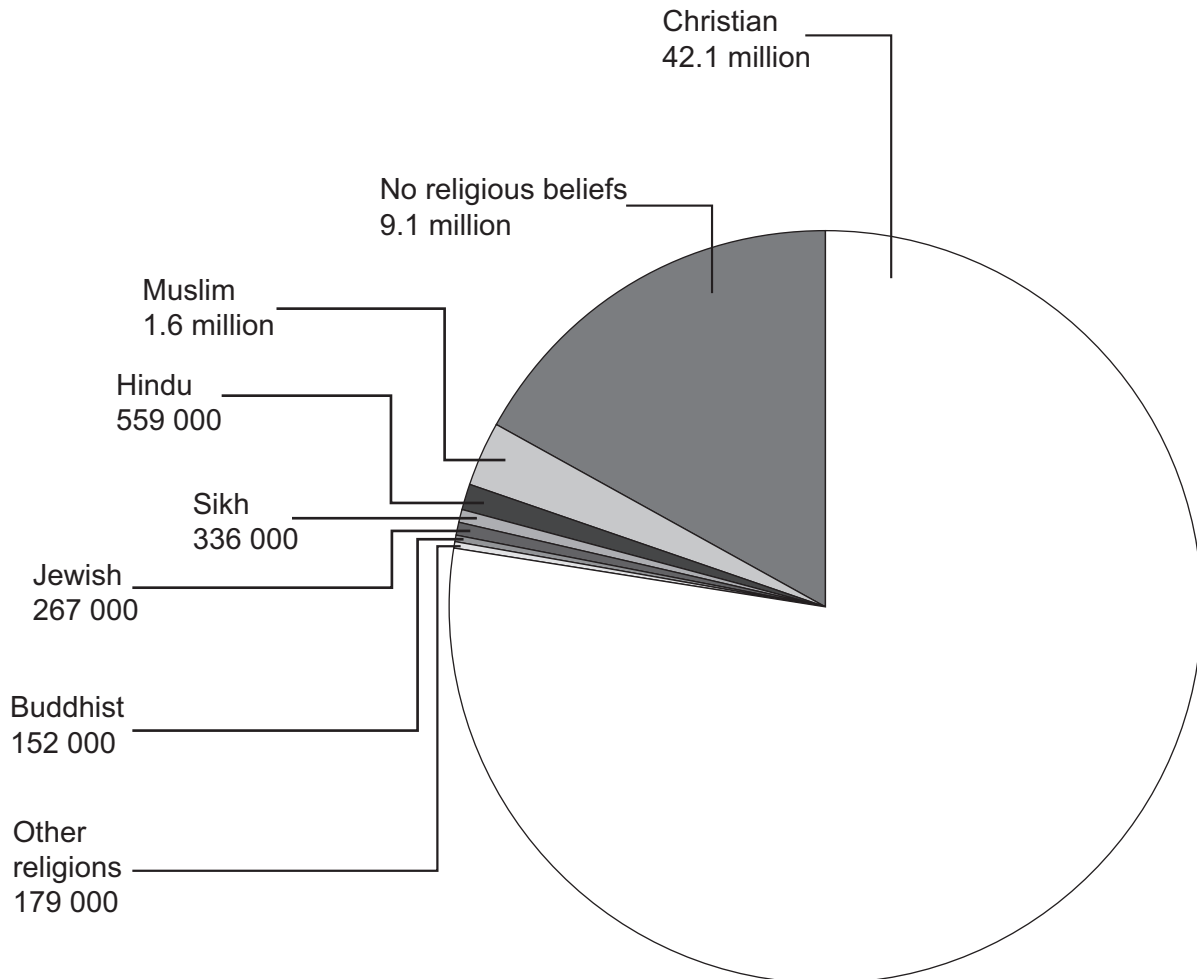
You are advised to study this Sources Booklet and the issues raised in it.

Your teacher is encouraged to teach lessons based on the Sources Booklet and to give assistance and advice as required.

Culture and Beliefs

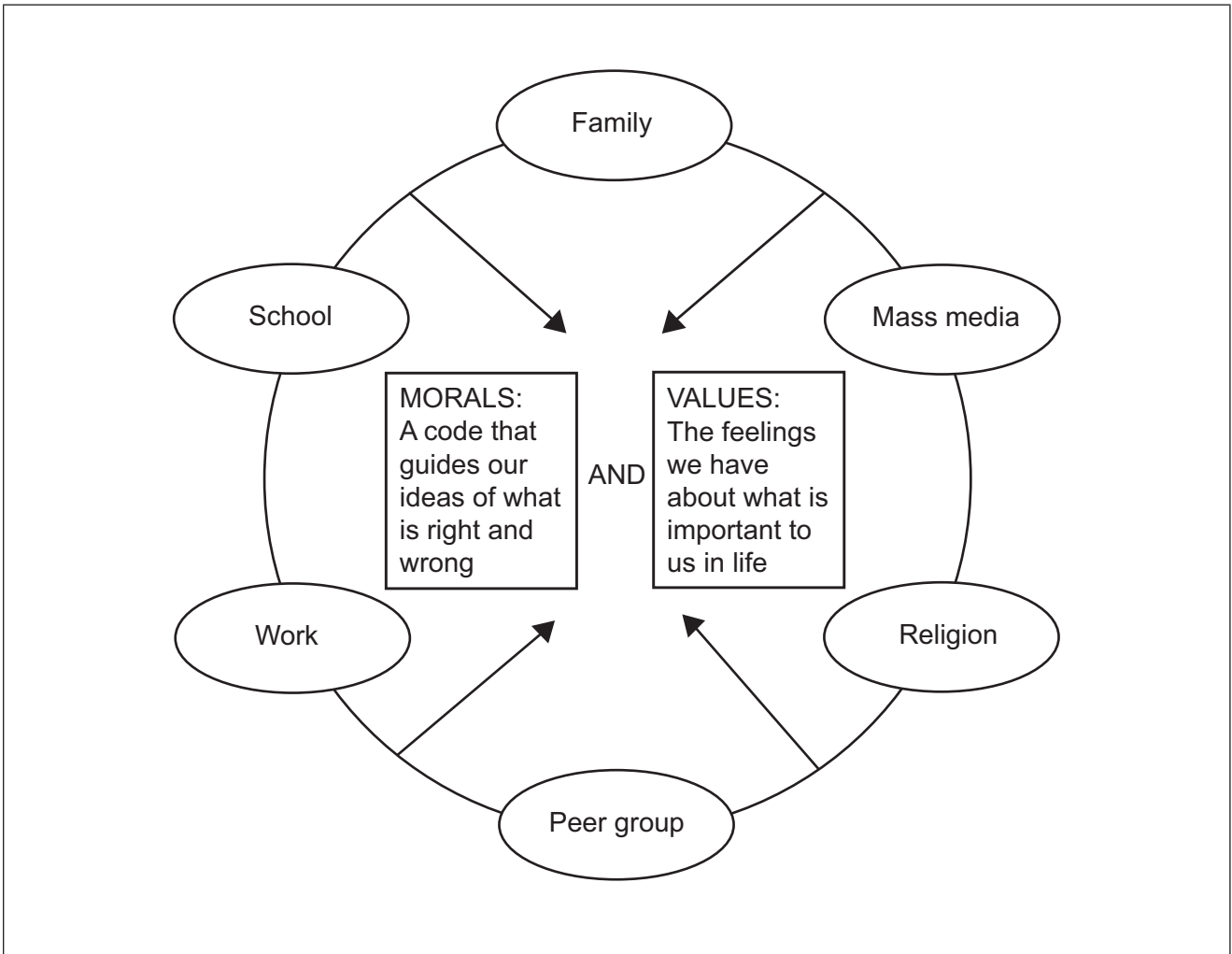
Source A: Latest official statistics on people's religious beliefs in the UK

In the UK, people are free to choose their religion. As a result, groups of people have different beliefs and practices.



Source: figures taken from *Snapshot of Religion in the UK* (ONS, 2009) accessed from www.statistics.gov.uk

Source B: Agencies of socialisation



Environmental Issues

Source C: Table of environmental concerns

		Agree	Don't know	Disagree
Statement 1	We can overcome global environmental problems.	68%	19%	13%
Statement 2	My lifestyle does not cause climate change.	29%	25%	46%
Statement 3	Scientists will solve global warming.	18%	19%	63%

Source D: Traffic in the Chinese capital



Source E: The environment

The world is full of environmental problems.

- Rainforests are under threat. One-tenth of the Brazilian rainforest has gone in the last ten years, and a quarter of the Indonesian rainforest.
- Urban smog and pollution kill over two and a half million people a year.
- Wildlife is under threat. There are nearly four thousand endangered species.
- In the UK we recycle less than one-fifth of our waste.
- The global population will grow to over 7 billion soon, and will be over 9 billion by 2050.
- Climate change is worrying, and fossil-fuel emissions continue to rise.

Against this background there are groups that campaign to protect the environment. Greenpeace has tried to stop environmental damage.

Greenpeace has just bought a piece of land in the middle of the proposed third runway at Heathrow Airport. Many celebrities have joined in to try to stop this development as they believe that more air travel will contribute to climate change.

Air travel is one of the human activities that increase the production of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. Many people are already taking responsibility for reducing their own 'carbon footprint'.

Greenpeace has tried to:

- stop whaling
- reduce the burning of fossil fuels
- prevent GM (genetically modified) crops from being grown
- stop the incineration of rubbish
- end nuclear power generation.

Greenpeace lobbies governments to make changes. Greenpeace is, for example, running a petition against the expansion of Heathrow Airport. It also takes direct action such as boarding whaling boats.

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