

GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES A

Paper 1B

Specimen 2018

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA answer booklet.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer booklet. The examining body for this paper is AQA. The paper reference is 8062/1B.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- In Section A there are two Christian religions. You should choose **one** religion from section A. You should answer all questions on the religion you have chosen.
- In Section B there are five religions. You should choose **one** religion from section B. You should answer all questions on the religion you have chosen.
- There are eleven parts to the questions for each religion.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 96.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (**SPaG**) will be assessed in the 12 mark question. The marks for SPaG are shown below the mark allocation for each question.

Advice

- You are advised to spend 50 minutes on each religion.

Section A – Christian Religions**Choose ONE religion from this section.**

Question 1: Christianity**If you have answered Question 2: Catholic Christianity you cannot answer this question.****Beliefs**

- 0 1** . **1** Which one of the following is the book in the Bible in which the story of Creation can be found?
A) Exodus B) Genesis C) Proverbs D) Revelation
[1 mark]
- 0 1** . **2** Give two qualities which Christians believe describe the nature of God.
[2 marks]
- 0 1** . **3** Explain Christian teaching about judgement.
[4 marks]
- 0 1** . **4** Explain how belief in the Resurrection influences Christians today.
[5 marks]
- 0 1** . **5** Why is belief in the Trinity important for Christians?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Practices

- 0 1** . **6** Which one of the following is the sacrament that commemorates Jesus' last supper?
A) Marriage B) Baptism C) Eucharist D) Sunday
[1 mark]
- 0 1** . **7** Give two examples of the work of the Church in the local community.
[2 marks]
- 0 1** . **8** Explain the role of a Christian street pastor.
[4 marks]

0 1 . 9 Explain how going on pilgrimage may influence Christians.

[5 marks]

1 . 1 0 Why is the celebration of Christmas as a religious festival important for Christians today?

Explain your answer.

[6 marks]

Beliefs and practices

1 . 1 1 'The best way for Christians to reach an understanding of God is by practising prayer.'

Evaluate this statement. In your answer you should:

- refer to Christian teaching
- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 Marks

Question 2: Catholic Christianity

If you have answered Question 1: Christianity you cannot answer this question.

Beliefs

- 0 2** . **1** Which one of the following is the sacrament in which a young adult becomes a full member of the Church?
A) Matrimony B) Reconciliation C) Confirmation D) Prayer
[1 mark]
- 0 2** . **2** Give two beliefs about human beings found in the Genesis creation stories.
[2 marks]
- 0 2** . **3** Explain Christian teaching about the Incarnation of Jesus.
[4 marks]
- 0 2** . **4** Explain the influence of belief in the resurrection of Jesus on individual Christians today.
[5 marks]
- 0 2** . **5** Why is the Eucharist important for Catholics?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Practices

- 0 2** . **6** Which one of the following is a Catholic agency?
A) Childline B) Cafod C) Shelter D) Oxfam
[1 mark]
- 0 2** . **7** Give two aims of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP).
[2 marks]
- 0 2** . **8** Explain the role of the Rosary in Catholic worship.
[4 marks]
- 0 2** . **9** Explain how the funeral rite may influence Catholics.
[5 marks]

2 . **1 0** Why is pilgrimage important for Catholics today?

Explain your answer.

[6 marks]

Beliefs and practices

2 . **1 1** 'The best way for Catholics to reach an understanding of God is by practising prayer.'

Evaluate this statement. In your answer you should:

- refer to Catholic teaching
- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 Marks

End of questions in Section A.

Section B

Choose ONE religion from this section.

Question 3: Buddhism**Beliefs**

- 0 3** . **1** Which one of the following is the book which contains stories from the life of the Buddha?
A) Jataka Tales B) Dhammapada C) Tipitaka D) Pali Canon
[1 mark]
- 0 3** . **2** Give two reasons why Buddha rejected his life of wealth.
[2 marks]
- 0 3** . **3** Explain the teaching about nibbana/nirvana in Buddhism.
[4 marks]
- 0 3** . **4** Explain how learning about the life of the Buddha may influence Buddhists today.
[5 marks]
- 0 3** . **5** Why is belief in the Three Poisons important for Buddhists?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Practices

- 0 3** . **6** Which of the following is a Buddhist festival?
A) Parinirvana B) Holi C) Anicca D) Dukkha
[1 mark]
- 0 3** . **7** Give two of the five precepts.
[2 marks]
- 0 3** . **8** Explain how shrines are used in Buddhist worship.
[4 marks]
- 0 3** . **9** Explain how the practice of patience may influence Mahayana Buddhists.
[5 marks]

3 . **1 0** Why is festival of Wesak important for Buddhists today?

Explain your answer.

[6 marks]

Beliefs and practices

3 . **1 1** 'The best way to understand the Buddha's teachings about the Three Marks of Existence is by meditating'.

Evaluate this statement. In your answer you should:

- refer to Buddhist teaching
- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 Marks

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Question 4: Hinduism**Beliefs**

- 0 4 . 1** Which one of the following deities is one of the tri-murti?
A) Ganesh B) Lakshmi C) Brahma D) Saraswasti
[1 mark]
- 0 4 . 2** Give two of the features of the divine.
[2 marks]
- 0 4 . 3** Explain Hindu teaching about Moksha.
[4 marks]
- 0 4 . 4** Explain how practising ahimsa (non-violence) influences Hindus today.
[5 marks]
- 0 4 . 5** Why is mind/sense control important to Hindus?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Practices

- 0 4 . 6** Which of the following is a Hindu form of worship?
A) Veda B) Havan C) Smrti D) Murti
[1 mark]
- 0 4 . 7** Give two types of yoga practised in Hinduism.
[2 marks]
- 0 4 . 8** Explain how shrines are used in Hinduism.
[4 marks]
- 0 4 . 9** Explain how pilgrimage to Varanasi may influence Hindus.
[5 marks]

4 . **1 0** Why is the festival of Diwali important for Hindus today?

Explain your answer.

[6 marks]

Beliefs and practices

4 . **1 1** 'The best way for Hindus to reach an understanding of Brahman is by meditating.'

Evaluate this statement. In your answer you should:

- refer to Hindu teaching
- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 Marks

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Question 5: Islam**Beliefs**

- 0 5** . **1** Which one of the following best describes the meaning of Tawhid?
A) Prophethood B) Justice C) Life after Death D) Oneness of God
[1 mark]
- 0 5** . **2** Name two of the Holy books, other than the Qur'an.
[2 marks]
- 0 5** . **3** Explain Muslim teaching about angels.
[4 marks]
- 0 5** . **4** Explain how a belief in life after death influences Muslims today.
[5 marks]
- 0 5** . **5** Why is the example of Muhammad important for Muslims?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Practices

- 0 5** . **6** Which one of the following is the religious tax paid by Shi'a Muslims?
A) Khums B) Zakah C) Sawm D) Mosque
[1 mark]
- 0 5** . **7** Give two ways in which Shi'a Muslims celebrate the festival of Ashura.
[2 marks]
- 0 5** . **8** Explain the role of the kaaba during the Muslim Hajj (pilgrimage).
[4 marks]
- 0 5** . **9** Explain how fasting in Ramadan may influence Muslims.
[5 marks]

5 . **1 0** Why is the festival of Id ul Fitr important for Muslims today?

Explain your answer.

[6 marks]

Beliefs and practices

5 . **1 1** 'The best way for Muslims to understand God is to practise Salah.'

Evaluate this statement. In your answer you should:

- refer to Islamic teaching
- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 Marks

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Question 6: Judaism**Beliefs**

- 0 6** . **1** Which word is used to express a belief in God as the Divine Presence?
A) Sefer Torah B) Tzedakah C) Shekinah D) Tenakh
[1 mark]
- 0 6** . **2** Give two of the key moral principles of Judaism.
[2 marks]
- 0 6** . **3** Explain Jewish understanding of the role of the Messiah.
[4 marks]
- 0 6** . **4** Explain how belief that the mitzvot are the commands of God influences Jews today.
[5 marks]
- 0 6** . **5** Why is the covenant with Abraham important for Jews?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Practices

- 0 6** . **6** Which one of the following is the oral law in Judaism?
A) Torah B) Tefillin C) Tzitzit D) Talmud
[1 mark]
- 0 6** . **7** Give two reasons why Jews celebrate Brit Milah.
[2 marks]
- 0 6** . **8** Explain the part played by the ark (Aron hakodesh) in synagogue worship.
[4 marks]
- 0 6** . **9** Explain how the celebration of Shabbat may influence Jews.
[5 marks]
- 6** . **1 0** Why is it important for Jews to celebrate Yom Kippur?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Beliefs and practices

6 . **1 1** 'The best way for Jews to understand what God is like is by taking part in Jewish family life.'

Evaluate this statement. In your answer you should:

- refer to Jewish teaching
- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

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Question 7: Sikhism**Beliefs**

- 0 7** . **1** Which one of the following is the name of the holy book of Sikhism?
A) Guru Granth Sahib B) Sangat C) Singh D) Mool Mantra
[1 mark]
- 0 7** . **2** Give two examples of how someone might show 'haumai'.
[2 marks]
- 0 7** . **3** Explain what the Mool Mantra teaches about God.
[4 marks]
- 0 7** . **4** Explain how belief in karma influences Sikhs today.
[5 marks]
- 0 7** . **5** Why is Sewa (service to others) important for Sikhs?
Explain your answer.
[6 marks]

Practices

- 0 7** . **6** Which one of the following is the festival that celebrates the founding of the khalsa in Sikhism?
A) Vaisakhi B) Gurmukh C) Gurpurb D) Amrit
[1 mark]
- 0 7** . **7** Give two of the 5 Ks of Sikhism.
[2 marks]
- 0 7** . **8** Explain the use of the takht in a Sikh Gurdwara.
[4 marks]
- 0 7** . **9** Explain how an akhand path may influence Sikhs in the modern world.
[5 marks]

7 . 1 0 Why is the festival of Divali important to Sikhs today?

Explain your answer.

[6 marks]

Beliefs and practices

7 . 1 1 'The best way for Sikhs to gain an understanding the nature of God is by meditating on the name of God.'

Evaluate this statement. In your answer you should:

- Refer to Sikh teaching
- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

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