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# GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES B

Paper 2A Perspectives on faith (Themes)

Specimen

Morning Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

### Materials

**Before** you open this booklet, you must ensure you have the question paper/answer booklet for the **religion option** you are entered for (**either** Islam **or** Judaism).

### Instructions

- Use black ink and ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at both the top of this page and the top of the question paper/answer booklet for the **religion option**.
- Choose **two** themes and answer **all** questions for those themes.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.

### Information

- The maximum mark for this option is 48.
- The marks for the questions are shown in brackets.

### Advice

You will have 1 hour 45 minutes to complete **both** question paper/answer booklets. You are advised to spend 50 minutes on this paper and 50 minutes on your **religion option**.

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**THEME A: RELIGION, RELATIONSHIPS AND ETHICAL STUDIES**

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Which **one** of the following describes a sexual relationship between people of the same gender?

**[1 mark]**

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

**A** Transsexual.

**B** Metrosexual.

**C** Homosexual.

**D** Adultery.

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Give **two** Christian ideas about the purposes of sexual love.

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Explain **two** contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about the issue of divorce.

- You must refer to a Christian belief or view.
- Your contrasting belief or view may come from Christianity or from another religious or non-religious tradition.

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Explain **two** Christian beliefs about family planning.

Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer.

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**THEME B: RELIGION, PEACE AND CONFLICT**

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Which **one** of the following terms describes the theory from the Catechism that states that war may be fought in self-defence under certain conditions?

**[1 mark]**

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

**A** Social War.

**B** Just War.

**C** World War.

**D** Religious War.

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Give **two** reasons why many Christians are opposed to the use of weapons of mass destruction.

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Explain **two** contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about the issue of pacifism.

- You must refer to a Christian belief or view.
- Your contrasting belief may come from Christianity or from another religious or non-religious tradition.

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Explain **two** Christian beliefs about forgiveness.

Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer.

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'Christians should never be angry.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
- should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- should refer to Christian arguments
- may refer to non-religious arguments
- should reach a justified conclusion.

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**0 3****THEME C: RELIGION, HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE****0 3 . 1**

Which **one** of the following best expresses the Christian ideal that everyone should be treated fairly?

**[1 mark]**

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

**A** Tolerance.

**B** Prejudice.

**C** Justice.

**D** Compassion.

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Give **two** ways in which Catholics may take action to improve human rights.

**[2 marks]**

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Explain **two** contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about who should have responsibility for helping the poor.

- You must refer to a Christian belief or view.
- Your contrasting belief may come from Christianity or from another religious or non-religious tradition.

**[4 marks]**

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Explain **two** Christian beliefs about racial equality.

Refer to scripture or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer.

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