

GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES B

Component 2B Perspectives on faith

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 8063/2B.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Section A:

- There are two religions. Choose **one** option.
- Answer all the questions from the option you choose.

Section B:

- There are **two** compulsory themes.
- Answer all the questions from both themes.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 96 plus 5 marks for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) will be assessed in the 12 mark questions. The marks for SPaG are shown below the mark allocation for each question.

Advice

- You are advised to spend 50 minutes on Section A and 50 minutes on Section B.

Section A

Answer all the questions from **either** Option A: Islam **or** Option B: Judaism

BELIEFS

- 0 1** . **1** Which one of the following is a Prophet of Islam?
A) Ibrahim B) Jibril C) Mika'il D) Israfil
[1 mark]
- 0 1** . **2** Name two of the Holy Books other than the Qur'an.
[2 marks]
- 0 1** . **3** Explain Shi'a beliefs about the Imamate.
[4 marks]
- 0 1** . **4** How does belief in hell influence the life of a Muslim?
Explain your answer.
[5 marks]
- 0 1** . **5** 'Muslim teaching about predestination means that people have no free will.'
Evaluate this statement.
In your answer you should:
• refer to the teaching of Islam
• give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
• give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
• reach a justified conclusion.
[12 marks]
Plus SPaG 5 marks

PRACTICES

- 0 2** . **1** Which one of the following is pilgrimage in Islam?
A) Tawhid B) Prophethood C) Hajj D) Resurrection
[1 mark]
- 0 2** . **2** Give two of the features of a mosque that allow it to be used as a place of prayer.
[2 marks]
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0 2 . **3** Explain the purpose of zakah.

[4 marks]

0 2 . **4** How may fasting in Ramadan influence the life of a Muslim?
Explain your answer.

[5 marks]

0 2 . **5** 'It is not important for Muslims to celebrate festivals today.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to the teaching of Islam
- give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 marks

END OF QUESTIONS ON OPTION A

Option B: Judaism**BELIEFS**

0 3 . **1** Which of the following best expresses the meaning of the word 'Messiah'?

- A) God B) Prophet C) Chosen People D) Anointed One

[1 mark]

0 3 . **2** Give two beliefs held by Jews about the coming of the Messiah.

[2 marks]

0 3 . **3** Explain Jewish beliefs about 'saving a life' (pikuach nefesh).

[4 marks]

0 3 . **4** How may belief in justice influence the life of a Jew?
Explain your answer.

[5 marks]

0 3 . **5** For Jews, the most important belief about God is that God is the Law-giver.

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to the teaching of Judaism
- give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 marks

PRACTICES

0 4 . **1** Which **one** of the following is the oral law in Judaism?

- A) Torah B) Tallit C) Tzizit D) Talmud

[1 mark]

0 4 . **2** Give two of the religious features of a synagogue.

[2 marks]

0 4 . **3** Explain the purpose of the Amidah prayer.

[4 marks]

0 4 . **4** How do beliefs about death and life after death influence Jewish mourning rituals?
Explain your answer.

[5 marks]

0 4 . **5** 'The festivals of Judaism have no religious importance today.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to the teaching of Judaism
- give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 marks

END OF QUESTIONS ON OPTION B

SECTION B

Answer all the questions from both themes.

Theme D: St Mark's gospel – The life of Jesus

- 0 5** . **1** In which town did Jesus meet Bartimaeus?
A) Bethany B) Bethphage C) Jericho D) Jerusalem
[1 mark]
- 0 5** . **2** Give two titles that Bartimaeus used for Jesus.
[2 marks]
- 0 5** . **3** Explain the importance for Jesus' disciples of the conversation at Caesarea Philippi.
[4 marks]
- 0 5** . **4** Explain differing views about the historical reliability of the miracles recorded in Mark's Gospel.
[5 marks]
- 0 5** . **5** 'During his time in Gethsemane, Jesus did not set a good example for Christians to follow.'
Analyse and evaluate this view. Refer to Mark's Gospel in your answer.
[12 marks]
Plus SPaG 5 marks

Theme E: St Mark's gospel as a source of spiritual truth

- 0 6** . **1** Who was the brother of Simon Peter?
A) Andrew B) James C) John D) Philip
[1 mark]
- 0 6** . **2** Give the two commandments that Jesus said were the greatest.
[2 marks]
- 0 6** . **3** Explain the meaning of the parable of the sower.
[4 marks]
- 0 6** . **4** Explain how 1st century attitudes to those disregarded by society differed from the attitude of Jesus.
[5 marks]
- 0 6** . **5** 'Jesus' teaching on discipleship has no meaning in today's world.'
Analyse and evaluate this view. Refer to Mark's Gospel in your answer.
[12 marks]
Plus SPaG 5 marks

END OF QUESTIONS

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