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RELIGIOUS STUDIES (SPECIFICATION A)(SHORT COURSE)
Paper 1A Christianity



Wednesday 14 May 2008 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

You will need no other materials.
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Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Write your answers to Parts A and B in the spaces provided in this booklet.
- Write your answers to Part C on the continuation sheets at the end of this booklet.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Answers written in margins or on blank pages will **not** be marked.
- If you use any additional answer sheets, tie them loosely to the back of this booklet.
- Do all rough work in this booklet or on the continuation sheets. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must **not** use a Bible.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 83.
Three of these marks are for the Quality of Written Communication.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers. Quality of Written Communication will be assessed in all answers.
- Pages 9 and 10 are perforated. You may remove these pages if you wish.

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A1		C5	
A2		C6	
B3			
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PART A

Answer **all** questions in this part in the spaces provided.

A1 Festivals

A1 (a) Why is Christmas important to Christians?

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(2 marks)

A1 (b) Why is Palm Sunday important to Christians?

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(2 marks)

A1 (c) Why is Good Friday important to Christians?

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(2 marks)

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A2 The Bible

A2 (a) Explain why some Christians interpret the Bible in a fundamentalist way.

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A2 (b) Explain why some Christians interpret the Bible in a liberal way.

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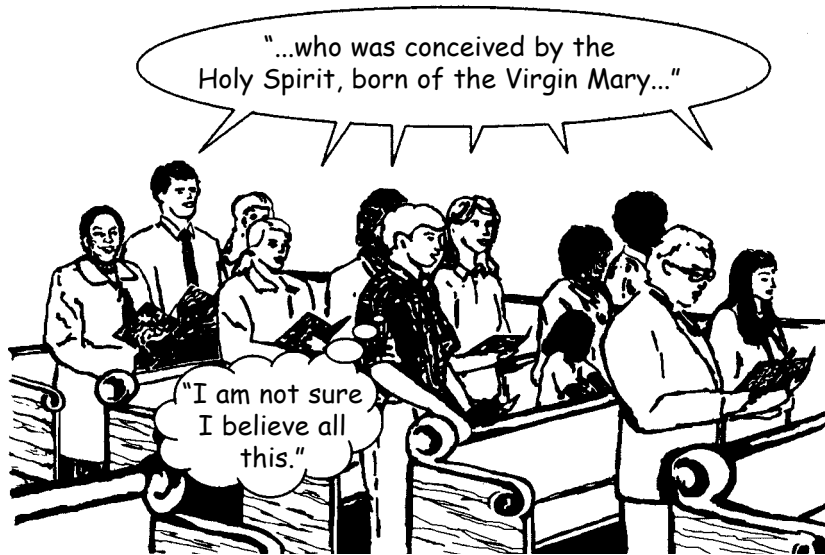


PART B

Answer **all** questions in this part in the spaces provided.

B3 The Apostles' Creed

Look at this picture of people saying the Apostles' Creed.



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B3 (a) (i) What is a creed?

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(1 mark)

B3 (a) (ii) Why do some Christians think creeds are important?

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B3 (b) Apart from the words in the picture, what else does the Apostles' Creed say about Jesus?

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B3 (c) 'You cannot be a true Christian if you do not believe in the Apostles' Creed.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view.

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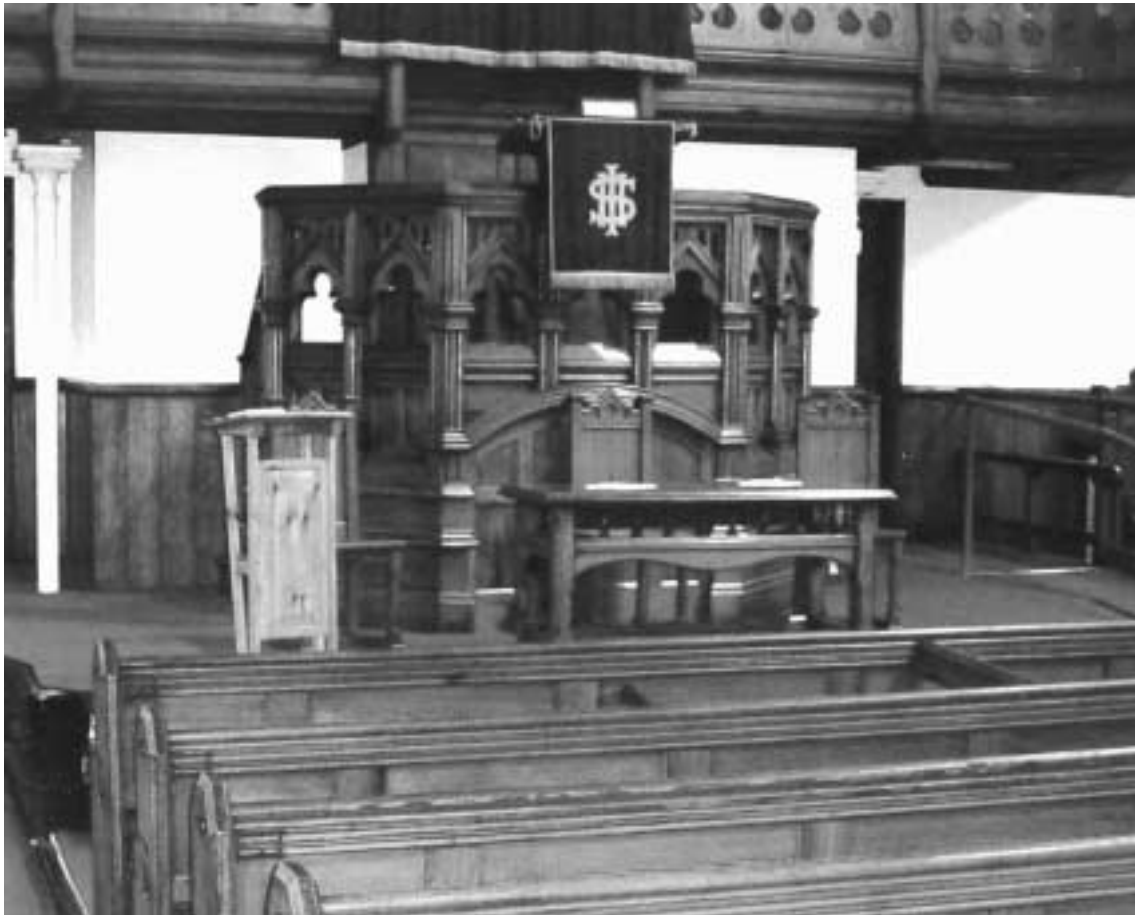
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B4 Places of Worship

Look at this photograph of a Baptist church building.



B4 (a) Explain why the pulpit is in a central place in this Church.

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(2 marks)



B4 (b) Believers' baptism is used by this Church.

B4 (b) (i) How would baptism take place in this church?

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(2 marks)

B4 (b) (ii) Explain why some Christians baptise in this way.

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B4 (c) Explain **two** features inside a Roman Catholic church which would be different from the church in the picture.

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(4 marks)

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B4 (d) ‘A beautiful church building shows that people really love God.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view.

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(5 marks)

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PART C

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Answer **all** questions in this part on pages 11 to 16.

There are 20 marks for each question.

C5 Rites of Passage

- C5** (a) (i) What promises do the bride and groom make during a Christian marriage service? *(4 marks)*
- C5** (a) (ii) Explain how keeping these promises might help a couple to have a successful marriage. *(4 marks)*
- C5** (b) Describe and explain what is said and done at a Christian funeral service. (You may describe a funeral service in any tradition/denomination.) *(7 marks)*
- C5** (c) ‘Weddings and funerals are family occasions more than religious events.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Christianity in your answer. *(5 marks)*

C6 Liturgical and Spontaneous Worship

- C6** (a) Choose a Christian tradition/denomination. Describe a typical act of Sunday worship in that tradition/denomination. *(7 marks)*
- C6** (b) (i) Explain why some Christians prefer liturgical worship. *(4 marks)*
- C6** (b) (ii) Explain why some Christians prefer spontaneous worship. *(4 marks)*
- C6** (c) ‘Leading worship is the most important thing that a Christian minister/priest does.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. *(5 marks)*

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