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Religious Studies **405007**
(Specification A)
Religious Studies
(Specification A) (Short Course)

Unit 7 Philosophy of Religion

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Part B

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Answer **either** Question **B5** or Question **B6** on pages 11 to 20 in the answer booklet.

There are 28 marks for each question.

Four of these marks are for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG).

EITHER**B5 The Problem of Evil**

B5 (a) Explain why the existence of evil challenges belief in an all-loving **and** all-powerful God. (6 marks)

B5 (b) Explain different ideas about the origins of evil. (6 marks)

B5 (c) 'Natural evil is far worse than moral evil.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious ideas in your answer. (6 marks)

B5 (d) 'Human beings need to live in a world that contains suffering.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious ideas in your answer. (6 marks)

SPaG: (4 marks)

TOTAL MARKS FOR THIS QUESTION: (28 marks)

Do **not** answer Question B6 if you have answered Question B5.

OR

B6 Revelation and Enlightenment

B6 (a) Explain why some people think it is possible to know God through sacred texts **and** through worship. *(6 marks)*

B6 (b) Explain the importance of religious visions and dreams for believers. You may use examples in your answer. *(6 marks)*

B6 (c) 'People can find out everything they need to know about God through nature.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious ideas in your answer. *(6 marks)*

B6 (d) 'Enlightenment and revelation are just illusions.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious ideas in your answer. *(6 marks)*

SPaG: *(4 marks)*

TOTAL MARKS FOR THIS QUESTION: *(28 marks)*

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