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

405012

Unit 12 Buddhism

Friday 14 June 2013 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an insert containing Part B questions (enclosed).

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 **five** questions.
Part A Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided in this booklet.
Part B Answer **either** Question B5 **or** Question B6. Write your answer to **either** Question B5 **or** Question B6 on pages 12 to 20 of this booklet.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this booklet. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.
- If you use any additional answer sheets, tie them securely to the back of this booklet.
- Do **not** write on the insert. Any work on the insert will **not** be marked.
- Do **not** place the insert into the answer booklet at the end of the examination.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 76.
- Four of these marks are for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar will be assessed in Questions B5 and B6. The marks for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (**SPaG**) are shown below the mark allocation for each question.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.



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Part A

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

A1 The Dhamma (Dharma)

Look at the picture below, which shows a section of the Tibetan Wheel of Life.



A1 (a) Explain briefly what Buddhists mean by samsara.

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A1 (b) Explain briefly what Buddhists mean by nibbana (nirvana).

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A1 (c) Explain the Buddha's teaching on dukkha (suffering).

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(3 marks)

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A1 (d) 'If people suffer, it is their own fault.'

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

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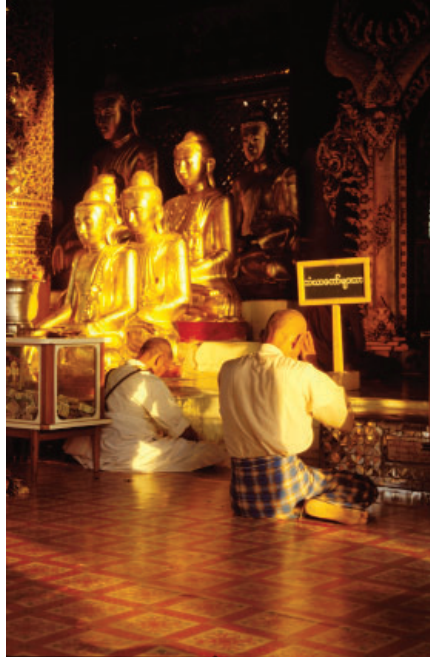
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A2 **Worship**

Look at the photograph below, which shows Buddhists at a temple.



A2 (a) Explain the importance of worship for Buddhists.

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A2 (b) Explain why stupas are important to some Buddhists.

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A2 (c) 'To reach enlightenment, Buddhists need to spend most of their time in a temple.'

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

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A3 The Life of the Buddha

Look at the pictures below.



An old man



A sick man

A3 (a) Two of the four signs the Buddha saw were an old man and a sick man. Give the other **two** signs.

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(2 marks)

A3 (b) 'The most important stage in the Buddha's life was when he saw the four signs.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

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A3 (c) Describe how the Buddha became enlightened at Bodh Gaya.

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A3 (d) Explain briefly what the Buddha meant by 'the Middle Way'.

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A4 The Sangha

Look at the photograph below, which shows Buddhist monks at work.



A4 (a) Explain how living as a monk may help a Buddhist to achieve nibbana (nirvana).

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A4 (b) 'It is right that Buddhist monks and nuns keep more precepts than lay people.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

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A4 (c) 'Becoming a Buddhist monk or nun is just an escape from real life.'

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

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Part B

Answer **either** Question **B5** or Question **B6**, which are printed on the insert.

Write your answer to the question you have chosen on **pages 12 to 20**.

Write the number of the question you have chosen in the box below, e.g. **B5**.

Write the question number at the start of each part of your answer, e.g. **B5(a)**.

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