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Unit 12 Buddhism

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Part B

Answer **either** Question **B5** or Question **B6** on pages 13 to 20 in the answer booklet.

There are 28 marks for each question.

Four of these marks are for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar [SPaG].

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Either**B5** **Worship and Festivals**

B5 (a) Describe how a Buddhist might worship in the home. **[6 marks]**

B5 (b) ‘For Buddhists, worshipping at home is more important than visiting a temple.’

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

[6 marks]

B5 (c) Explain why Buddhists celebrate events in the Buddha’s life. **[6 marks]**

B5 (d) ‘All Buddhists should visit Bodh Gaya.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Buddhism 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 The Dhamma (Dharma)

B6 (a) Explain the meaning of kamma (karma) **and** samsara for Buddhists. **[6 marks]**

B6 (b) 'No one wants another life on earth so rebirth is pointless.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Buddhist arguments in your answer. **[6 marks]**

B6 (c) Explain what the Buddha taught on anicca **and** anatta. **[6 marks]**

B6 (d) 'Buddhists cannot avoid greed and desire in today's world.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Buddhist arguments in your answer. **[6 marks]**

[SPaG: 4 marks]

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