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

**405012**

## Unit 12 Buddhism

Wednesday 11 June 2014 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 **13 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 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 (**SPaG**) which will be assessed in Part B. These marks are shown below the mark allocation for Questions B5 and B6.
- 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 Life of the Buddha**

Look at the picture. It shows the birth of Siddhartha Gautama (the Buddha).



**A1 (a)** Describe what happened at the birth of the Buddha.

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**A1 (b)** Explain briefly how Siddhartha Gautama lived as an ascetic.

**[2 marks]**

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**A1 (c)** 'Stories of the Buddha's enlightenment are just made up.'

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

**[6 marks]**

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**A2 Attitudes to Life**

Look at the picture of the Buddha and The Five Precepts.



**The Five Precepts are**

- 1 Do not take life
- 2 Do not take what is not given
- 3 Do not misuse the senses
- 4 Do not speak falsehoods
- 5 Do not take intoxicants that cloud the mind

**A2 (a)** Explain briefly what Buddhists mean by the precept: ‘Do not take what is not given.’

**[2 marks]**

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**A2 (b)** Explain briefly what Buddhists mean by the precept: ‘Do not take intoxicants that cloud the mind.’

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**A2 (c)** 'It is never right for Buddhists to tell lies.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

**[3 marks]**

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**A2 (d)** 'For Buddhists, abortion always creates bad kamma (karma).'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

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**A2 (e)** Describe Buddhist customs associated with mourning.

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**A3 The Sangha**

Look at the photograph. It shows an ordination ceremony for Buddhist monks.



**A3 (a)** Describe how a Buddhist monk or nun is ordained.

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**A3 (b)** Explain briefly how a Buddhist monk might show metta (loving kindness).

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**A3 (c)** 'A Buddhist monk lives a selfish life.'

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.

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**A4 The Sangha and Global Issues**

Look at the picture. It shows the Buddha teaching women.



**A4 (a)** Explain Buddhist views on the role and status of women.

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**A4 (b)** Explain Buddhist views on prejudice and discrimination.

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**A4 (c)** ‘Caring for the environment is more important than caring for the poor.’

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.

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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 13 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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