

PART A

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

A1 The Life of the Buddha

(a) Describe any **three** events to do with the Buddha’s birth.

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(3 marks)

(b) What were the **four** signs the Buddha saw when he was a young man?

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(c) The Buddha taught The Four Noble Truths. What are they?

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A2 Sacred Texts

(a) The Tipitaka consists of **three** baskets of scriptures. What are they?

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(b) Explain why Buddhists think it is important to **recite** the scriptures.

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PART B

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

B3 Suffering

Look at **Picture A**.



Picture A The Buddha experiencing suffering

- (a) Explain what Buddhists mean by the term ahimsa.

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(2 marks)

(b) Explain the Buddha’s teaching about the causes of suffering.

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(c) “Buddhists should spend their money on relieving suffering rather than building expensive statues of the Buddha.”

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

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B4 Death and Mourning

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(a) Describe what happens at a Buddhist funeral.

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(b) In what ways can a Buddhist monk help those who have lost a loved one?

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(c) Explain what Buddhism teaches about rebirth.

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(d) “Buddhism is a miserable religion because it focuses so much on death.”

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 C

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

Each question carries 20 marks.

C5 Moral issues

- (a) Choose **two** of the following issues:

Marriage
Abortion
Suicide.

Explain Buddhist attitudes to each of the **two** issues you have chosen. *(8 marks)*

- (b) Explain how Buddhists might show the following in their lives:

- (i) Right Speech
(ii) Right Livelihood.

(7 marks)

- (c) “It is impossible to follow the Buddhist eightfold path today.”

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

C6 Meditation

- (a) Describe **two** methods of Buddhist meditation. *(8 marks)*

- (b) Explain why Buddhists meditate. *(7 marks)*

- (c) “Buddhists should concentrate more on the world’s problems and spend less time meditating.”

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

END OF QUESTIONS

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