



General Certificate of Secondary Education
2015

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Religious Studies

Paper 8

An Introduction to Christian
Ethics

[GRS81]

TUESDAY 2 JUNE, AFTERNOON



TIME

1 hour 30 minutes, plus your additional time allowance.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write outside the boxed area on each page or on blank pages.

Complete in blue or black ink only.

Answer **all** the questions in **Section A** and **two** from **three** questions in **Section B** in the spaces provided in this booklet. Extra pages are provided at the end of the booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 105.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Spelling, punctuation and accurate use of grammar will be assessed in Section B Questions **5(c)**, **6(c)** and **7(c)**, where **two** questions only are required to be completed.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

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Section A

Answer **all** questions.

1 Abortion

(a) (i) What is abortion?

_____ [1]

(ii) Write down **one** reason for having an abortion.

_____ [1]

(iii) Write down **one** reason against having an abortion.

_____ [1]

(iv) Write down **one** thing a woman could do instead of having an abortion.

_____ [1]

(v) Write down **one** way a woman's life might be affected by an unwanted pregnancy.

_____ [1]



(b) Explain Christian teaching on abortion.

[5]

(c) “Every woman should have the right to an abortion.”

Do you agree or disagree? Write down reasons for your answer.

[5]

[Turn over



2 Euthanasia

(a) (i) What is euthanasia?

_____ [1]

(ii) Write down **one** reason for having euthanasia.

_____ [1]

(iii) Write down **one** reason against having euthanasia.

_____ [1]

(iv) What does active euthanasia mean?

_____ [1]

(v) What does passive euthanasia mean?

_____ [1]



(b) "Euthanasia allows a person to die with dignity."

Do you agree or disagree? Write down reasons for your answer showing that you have thought about different people's points of view.

[10]

[Turn over]



3 Marriage and Divorce



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(a) Write down the main points about Christian teaching on marriage.

[5]



(b) Explain some of the difficulties a couple might have in their marriage.

[5]

(c) "Marriage is the best way to show commitment to your partner."

Do you agree or disagree? Write down reasons for your answer.

[5]

[Turn over



4 Care for the Environment

(a) Describe some of the ways that the environment has been damaged.

[5]



(b) “Biblical teaching on care for the environment is not much help to us today.”

Do you agree or disagree? Write down reasons for your answer showing that you have thought about different people's points of view.

[10]

[Turn over



Section B

Answer **two** from **three** questions.

Five marks will be given for spelling, punctuation and accurate use of grammar in part (c) of your answers.

If you need extra space you may use the lined pages at the back of this booklet.

5 War and Peace

(a) What is a pacifist?

[5]

Use the lines below if needed.



(b) Explain what the Bible teaches about war and peace.

[5]

Use the lines below if needed.

[Turn over





Use the lines below if needed to answer Question 5.



6 Justice and Punishment

(a) Write down some reasons against the death penalty.

[5]

Use the lines below if needed.



(b) Explain what Christians teach about repentance.

[5]

Use the lines below if needed.

[Turn over



(c) "Our society is too soft on criminals."

Do you agree? Write down reasons for your answer.

[10]



7 Equality

(a) Describe what the Bible teaches about prejudice.

[5]

Use the lines below if needed.



(b) Explain why some people don't like others from a different race or religion.

[5]

Use the lines below if needed.

[Turn over



Use the lines below if needed to answer Question 7.



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