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Religious Studies

Paper 8

An Introduction to Christian
Ethics

[GRS81]

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TUESDAY 7 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.

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.

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 at the end of each question indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Section A

Answer **all** questions.

1 Care for the Environment

(a) (i) Name **one** way people are damaging the environment. [1 mark]

(ii) Name **one** way people can care for the environment. [1 mark]

(iii) Name **two** animal rights issues. [2 marks]

1. _____

2. _____

(iv) Who did God put in charge of everything in the creation story in Genesis? [1 mark]

2 War and Peace

(a) (i) What is a conscientious objector? [1 mark]

(ii) Name a scholar who is associated with the Just War theory. [1 mark]

(iii) Give any **three** conditions of the Just War theory. [3 marks]

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

(b) Explain what Jesus teaches about forgiveness.
[5 marks]

(c) "Sending criminals to prison is not always the best way of dealing with crime."

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer. [5 marks]

4 Marriage and Divorce

(a) Describe how divorce can affect all members of the family. [5 marks]

(b) “If a couple has a religious faith, their marriage is less likely to end in divorce.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. [10 marks]

Section B

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

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

5 Religious Diversity

- (a) Describe some of the ways in which Christians can show respect to people of different faiths. [5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

(b) Explain some of the difficulties that might be faced in our society by people from religious minority groups. [5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

(c) “Christianity is the only religion that should be taught in schools.”

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
[10 marks]

6 Personal and Family Issues

(a) Give reasons why some people choose to be celibate.
[5 marks]

Use the lines below if required.

(c) “Christians should accept that euthanasia is sometimes necessary.”

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer.
[10 marks]

SOURCES

Q3 - - - Source: <http://texasdeathpenalty.blogspot.co.uk/2009/10/protesters-voice-concerns-about-death.html>

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Question Number	Marks
Section A	
1	
2	
3	
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Section B	
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