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Afternoon (Time: 50 minutes)	Paper R	eference 1RA0/3A	
Religious Studies A Paper 3: Area of Study 3 – Philosophy and Ethics Option 3A – Catholic Christianity			
You do not need any other materials. Total Marks			

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
 - there may be more space than you need.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 51.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
 - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.
- The question labelled with an **asterisk** (*) is the one where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
 - you should take particular care on this question with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the use of specialist terminology.
- The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided. **Question 1: Arguments for the Existence of God** 1 (a) Outline **three** characteristics of religious experiences. (3) (b) Explain two ways that the design argument proves the existence of God for Catholics. (4)

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In your answer you must r	refer to a source of w	risdom and authori	ty.	
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In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

*(d) "Miracles prove the existence of God."

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Catholic teachings
- refer to non-religious points of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

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(Total for Question 1 = 27 marks)



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	Question 2: Religious Teachings on Relationships and Families in the 21st Century		
2	(a) Outline three Christian attitudes towards contraception.		
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	(b) Explain two Catholic teachings on homosexuality.		
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In your answer you must re	efer to a source of wisdom ar	nd authority.	(5)



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(d) "Women should have equal rights in religion."			
Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.			
 In your response you should: refer to Catholic teachings refer to different Christian points of view reach a justified conclusion. 	(12)		
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