

Mark Scheme (Results) Summer 2008

GCSE

GCSE Religious Studies (5580) Paper 1

1(c)		Explain why the resurrection of Jesus is important for Christians.
Question Number		Indicative content
1(c)		<p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It shows God has the power to raise from the dead. So the resurrection proved Jesus was the Son of God. • The resurrection gives Christians the hope of life after death. • The resurrection is evidence that Jesus conquered sin • Jesus was no longer restricted by a human body and can be in contact with all Christians. • Resurrection is the basis of the Christian Faith. <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>
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1(d)		<i>'All Christians should believe in the Virgin Birth of Jesus.'</i> Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view.
Question Number		Indicative content
1(d)		Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a fundamental teaching of the Church • The Bible teaches it Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christians should be free to make up their own minds • A virgin Birth is scientifically impossible <p>If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review. Answers that do not refer to Christianity cannot go beyond level 2.</p>
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2(c)		Explain why the belief in God as Father is important for Christians.
Question Number		Indicative content
2(c)		<p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It shows that God is the Creator of all human beings • Jesus taught his disciples to call God Father • Jesus referred to God as his Father • It is the teachings of the Creeds • It is the teaching of the Catechism • It shows God's love and care. <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>
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2(d)		<i>'It doesn't matter if you sin, as long as you say sorry to God.'</i> Do you agree? give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to Christianity.
Question Number		Indicative content
2(d)		Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As long as you say sorry God will forgive you • It is the basis of the Sacrament of Reconciliation Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sin may have hurt someone deeply and they cannot forgive you even if you are sorry • You might not really mean it and then it is meaningless If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review. Answers that do not refer to Christianity cannot go beyond level 2.
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3(a)		What is celibacy ?
Question Number	Answer	Mark
3(a)	<p>Correct answer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living without engaging in any sexual activity • Not getting married <p>Partially correct answers could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A vow <p>Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>1</p>

3(b)		Outline Catholic beliefs about the Bible.
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3(b)	<p>The main beliefs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bible is believed to be the word of God. • The Bible records what Jesus said and did during his ministry on Earth. • The Bible contains God’s laws on how to behave • The Bible contains the teachings of Jesus on how to live the Christian life. • The Bible is inspired by the Holy Spirit and therefore reveals God • The Bible can be used as a means of private devotion to bring Christians into a closer relationship with God <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>	
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3(c)	Explain why Christians describe the Church as the Body of Christ.	
Question Number	Indicative content	
3(c)	<p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is how the Church is described in the New Testament • At baptism, Christians are baptised into the body of Christ. • At Mass, by sharing the bread at communion, Catholics share in the Body of Christ. • The Church teaches that Christians continue the work of Jesus and so are the Body of Christ on Earth. • Describing the Church as the Body of Christ shows how Christians can perform different tasks and yet be a unity. <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>	
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3(d)		<i>'The Church needs women priests.'</i> Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view.
Question Number		Indicative content
3(d)		Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are lower numbers of men entering the priesthood • Women priests will bring different qualities to the priesthood. Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traditionally the Church has not allowed it, so obviously does not need them • Jesus chose men to be his apostles and he knows what the Church needs. <p>If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review.</p>
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4(a)	What is dogma?	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
4(a)	<p>Correct answer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The beliefs of the Catholic Church • Catholic Church teachings 	2
	<p>Partially correct answers could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachings <p>Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.</p>	1

4(b)	Outline the role of the laity.	
Question Number	Indicative content	
4(b)	<p>The roles are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attend Mass every week, • provide for the upkeep of the church building and the priests, • take the sacraments • lead good Christian lives and fulfil their vocation in the world outside the Church • have families and show them the love of Christ • they carry out roles in the Church known as the lay ministries such as: eucharistic ministers: lectors; catechists; children’s liturgy leaders; welcomers <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>	
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4(c)		Explain why the Pope is important for Catholics.
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4(c)		<p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He is responsible for the Magisterium and therefore the beliefs of the Catholic Church • He is the Head of the Church who appoints cardinals and bishops • He is the successor of St Peter • He is chosen by the cardinals guided by the Holy Spirit • He gives guidance to Catholics • He is a spiritual ambassador <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>
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4(d)		<p><i>'The Church shouldn't be called 'One' because there are so many different Christian Churches.'</i></p> <p>Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view.</p>
Question Number		Indicative content
4(d)		<p>Reasons for supporting this statement could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christians have so many different beliefs they cannot be described as one • The Church has had so many arguments between denominations it cannot be considered 'One' <p>Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Churches all have the same essential beliefs about Jesus • All Churches work together to achieve common aims <p>If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review.</p>
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5(a)	What are vows ?	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
5(a)	Correct answer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solemn promises • Promises taken during ordination or marriage 	2
	Partially correct answers could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any example of a vow • Promises Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.	1

5(b)	Outline the main features of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.	
Question Number	Indicative content	
5(b)	The main parts are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The penitent will tell the priest how long it has been since the last time they attended the sacrament • The penitent will then confess their sins • The penitent will admit their responsibility and resolve not to sin again • The priest gives spiritual guidance • The priest will give the penitent their penance • The penitent will say the Act of Contrition • The priest will forgive the penitent • A blessing is said by the priest <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>	
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5(c)		Explain why celebrating Holy Week is important for Catholics.
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5(c)		<p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholics renew their faith in Jesus through remembering the events of Holy Week • Remembering how Jesus faced adulation (on Palm Sunday) then rejection and crucifixion inspires Catholics to think about their role in the world • Palm Sunday reminds Catholics that Jesus is the Messiah • Holy Thursday reminds Catholics of the origins and importance of the Mass • Foot washing reminds them of the need to serve each other • Good Friday gives Catholics the strength to cope with suffering • It reminds them of the salvation brought by Jesus • The death of Christ on the cross forgave the sins of the world <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>
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5(d)		<i>'All Christians should celebrate the Eucharist in the same way.'</i> Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view.
Question Number		Indicative content
5(d)		Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It would prove the unity of all Christians • All Christians could receive the sacrament together Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Christians do not have the same beliefs • It doesn't matter if Christians celebrate it differently If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review.
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6(a)	What is chrism?	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
6(a)	Correct answer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The oil used in baptism • Oil used in sacraments • Oil blessed on Maundy Thursday 	2
	Partially correct answers could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A symbol • Oil Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.	1

6(b)	Outline the main features of the Sacrament of Confirmation.		
Question Number	Indicative content		
6(b)	The main features are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The candidate is presented to the bishop or priest • The renewal of baptismal promises • The bishop lays his hands on the candidate • The bishop makes the sign of the cross using oil/chrism • The bishop confirms the candidate using special words <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>		
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6(c)		Explain why Catholics celebrate Christmas.
Question Number		Indicative content
6(c)		<p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It celebrates the birth of Jesus • It marks God's coming into the world (incarnation) • Without the birth of Jesus, there would be no Christianity • Without the birth of Jesus there would be no salvation from sin • It was part of God's plan of salvation. <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>
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6(d)		<i>'Only adults should be baptised.'</i> Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view.
Question Number		Indicative content
6(d)		Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adults fully understand the importance of the sacrament they are receiving • Jesus was an adult when he was baptised Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It bring babies into the family of the Church • Babies need to receive the grace of God through the sacrament If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review.
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7(a)	Who are the oppressed?	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
7(a)	<p>Correct answer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those who are made to suffer by others • Those who suffer because of the actions of government or the rich and powerful 	2
	<p>Partially correct answers could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those who suffer <p>Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.</p>	1

7(b)	Outline what the Sermon on the Mount teaches about displaying religion.		
Question Number	Indicative content		
7(b)	<p>The main responses are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christians must pray in private • They must not pray publicly • They must give to the needy but secretly • They must fast, but not make a display (oil on forehead) • They must not stand on street corners and make a display of their religion <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>		
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7(c)		Explain how keeping the Ten Commandments shows respect for God.
Question Number		Indicative content
7(c)		<p>The main features with reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The commandments are given by God • Obedience to God's laws is a way of showing respect for him • By observing the commandments they are placing God above other things • By observing those commandments about treatment of others, they are showing respect for those whom God has created <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>
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7(d)		<p><i>'Serving others is too difficult.'</i></p> <p>Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to Christianity.</p>
Question Number		Indicative content
7(d)		<p>Reasons for supporting this statement could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have enough to do looking after ourselves • Others don't always appreciate what is done for them <p>Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus commanded Christians to do it • Need to serve others to get to heaven <p>If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review. Answers that do not refer to Christianity cannot go beyond level 2.</p>
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8(a)	What is compassion ?	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
8(a)	<p>Correct answer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A feeling of distress for the sufferings of others • Feeling upset because of others problems <p>Partially correct answers could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern for others <p>Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>1</p>

8(b)	Outline how one twentieth century Christian has shown service to others.	
Question Number	Indicative content	
8(b)	<p>The candidate will choose one 20th century Christians and will outline the main features of their service to others. These could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caring for the sick • Feeding the hungry • Seeking justice for the oppressed • Giving shelter to the homeless • Visiting those in prison <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>	
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8(c)		Explain why the Golden Rule is important for Christians.
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8(c)		<p>The main reasons are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It follows the example of Jesus who always helped those in need • It completes the Jewish teachings • It follows the teaching of Jesus in the Parable of the Sheep and Goats that in helping the hungry and homeless, Christians are helping Jesus himself • It follows the teaching of Jesus in the Parable of the Good Samaritan that loving your neighbour means helping those in need • The Catholic Catechism teaches that Catholics should help those in need • Christian Churches teach that Christians should help others <p>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</p>
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8(d)	<i>'The Ten Commandments are out of date.'</i> Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view.	
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8(d)	<p>Reasons for supporting this statement could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Society has changed from when they were given • New laws are needed for today's society <p>Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They were given by God and are therefore timeless • They still address the weaknesses of people <p>If you are unsure about the validity of reasons, you must send to review.</p>	
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