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**SECTION 1: BELIEFS AND VALUES**

**You must answer ONE question from this section. Write your answer in the spaces provided.**

**EITHER**

1. (a) What is **haumai**? (2)
- (b) Outline what the Mool Mantra teaches about God. (6)
- (c) Explain why **samsara** is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) *‘When you’re dead, you’re dead and that’s the end of you.’*  
Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to Sikhism. (4)

**Q1**

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**OR**

2. (a) Give **two** names for God used in Sikhism. (2)
- (b) Outline Sikh beliefs about **mukti** (liberation). (6)
- (c) Explain why Sikhs reject the caste system (**varna**). (8)
- (d) *‘People will always be selfish.’*  
Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to Sikhism. (4)

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**SECTION 2: COMMUNITY AND TRADITION**

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- 3. (a) Who are the *panj piare*? (2)**
- (b) Describe the main events in the life of Guru Angad. (6)
- (c) Explain why the Guru Granth Sahib is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) *‘The Khalsa should be for men only.’*
- Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. (4)

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- 4. (a) What are the *janam sakhis*? (2)**
- (b) Outline the contribution of Guru Arjan to Sikhism. (6)
- (c) Explain why Guru Gobind Singh is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) *‘The Guru Granth Sahib is the only guidance a Sikh needs.’*
- Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. (4)

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**SECTION 3: WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION**

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5. (a) What is Vaisakhi? (2)
- (b) Describe how karah parshad is used in Sikh worship. (6)
- (c) Explain why the langar is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) ‘*Melas are not really Sikh festivals.*’
- Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. (4)

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6. (a) What is Diwali? (2)
- (b) Outline the main features of the amrit ceremony. (6)
- (c) Explain why private worship is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) ‘*You do not need the langar to worship God properly.*’
- Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. (4)

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**SECTION 4: LIVING THE SIKH LIFE**

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7. (a) What is the **sohila**? (2)
- (b) Describe **three** Sikh symbols. (6)
- (c) Explain why the Rahit Maryada is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) ‘*God always answers prayers.*’
- Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you must refer to Sikhism. (4)

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8. (a) What is the **nit nem**? (2)
- (b) Describe the symbols in the Nishan Sahib. (6)
- (c) Explain why evening prayers are important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) ‘*A true Sikh never drinks alcohol.*’
- Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. (4)

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**SECTION 5: OPTIONS EXTENDED WRITING**

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You are advised to spend 30 minutes on this section.

**YOU WILL BE ASSESSED ON THE QUALITY OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATION  
 IN THIS SECTION.**

**EITHER**

**9. A Place of Sikh Worship**

- (a) Outline the roles of the gurdwara leaders. (4)
- (b) Explain why the gurdwara is important for the Sikh community. (8)
- (c) ‘*All gurdwaras should be the same.*’  
 Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. (8)

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**Q9**

**OR**

**10. The Sikh Homeland**

- (a) Outline the conflict that led to Operation Blue Star. (4)
- (b) Explain why Khalistan is important for some Sikhs. (8)
- (c) ‘*The Golden Temple is not the most important gurdwara.*’  
 Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing you have considered another point of view. (8)

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