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Introduction
This is the second year the new specification Edexcel GCSE Religious Studies has been assessed and numbers have greatly increased from last year.
This specification introduced a few new topics and the weighting of the assessment objectives has changed from the legacy specification. GCSE Religious Studies continues to be a very popular course as teachers and schools recognise the benefits of an examinable course that both engages and educates young people. The variety of choice within this specification allows teachers to teach the course that most suits their students.

Question 1 (a)

The majority of candidates who attempted this question gained only one mark. This was an easy question to get full marks by using a glossary definition but like the second example many were awarded only one mark for a partially correct answer – usually giving a place (often heaven) as being the kingdom.

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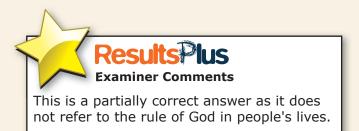
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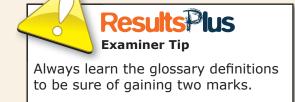


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(a) The Kingdom is the place of God (his gift)

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Question 1 (b) (c) (d)

- 1(b) asks candidates whether they think it is possible for people to follow Jesus today in the way the first disciples did. Candidates were required to provide two reasons for their view and then develop these reasons in order to gain maximum (4) marks. Most candidates were able to provide two reasons, but many were not able to develop these reasons and so only gained 2 marks.
- 1(c) requires candidates to know the story of Jesus' encounter with the rich (young) man and from that to be able to explain how the costs of discipleship are shown in that story. Typically an answer would contain 4 reasons in order to gain the maximum (8) marks although less reasons could be provided if they were developed.
- 1(d) requires candidates to consider whether the disciples of Jesus are the best role models for today. In order to obtain the maximum marks, candidates should state their own view of the question and provide three clear reasons for that view (they can provide less than three reasons if they develop those reasons). They must then state what people who disagree with them would say again providing three clear reasons for why they would disagree. Somewhere within their answer (either di or dii or both) they must make some reference to Christianity. In this question this would typically be some reference to certain actions of the disciples (eg the denial by Peter or the betrayl by Jesus).

do think it is possible to follow Jesus laday the way the disciples pist did because when Jesus called John , James , Simon (Peter), Andrew and Levi were selders and left behind all they had Sesus. We can do this with the help of Jesus Christ ruling in our hearts to Spread Also the disciples were lowly sured and werent seen as particularly everybody and including us sinner we should Sallow him because wrong doings just as he did with the disciples: (c) The cost of discipleship are shown in the story the young rich man because desus used pareble " It is casier for a camel to enter & needle than for a rich man to enter heaven.

This shows the attachment to money that people have and in order to be a disciple you have to leave that behind because money can't be your main agenda, spreading the gospel should be. The costs of discipleship and loo shown because to the man he looked at it as if he was losing everything and not as gaining the love and priendship of Jesus. This is a problem that comes over many of us in the modern day because people often think that being a pollower of Jesus means losing everything but what Jesus tried to teach the man 8 us that naterial things are all vain and that he is the only good in the world The costs of discipleship is also shown in this story because although the man did as lesus wanted he still had doubt which shows that as we grow & gain we gird it hard to let go which is why desus said that it is also easier for children to enter heaven.

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The disciples were also followers of Jesus and although Judas betrayed him they continued spread the Gospel & and Mark even wrote Some we though being persecuted & even pilled. This shows determ disagree with me because the to let desus us think This makes Should Judas also betrayed Jasus so us to those who initiated denied him three times and be irrelivant



- In (b) two reasons have been given, both have been developed by added explanation so 4 marks are awarded.
- In (c) two developed reasons have been given which are: 'Money can't be the main agenda' developed by reference to The Eye of The Needle and 'The man was losing everything' developed in the next paragraph. The answer is coherent so it gains 8 rather than 7 marks.
- In (d) (i) the candidate gives their own opinion and then three reasons which are: 'Jesus forgave them', 'had doubts like us' and 'spread the gospel' so 3 marks are awarded.
- In (d) (ii) one developed reason is given 'disciples let Jesus down' developed with an example; plus one simple reason 'Judas betrayed Jesus' so 3 marks are awarded.



In the (c) questions, write each reason as a separate paragraph. It then shows clearly what your ideas are.

(b) I thuse that willowing Ferris today in the way the disciples did unt purouble because, deorus averni errot anymore mone lan hear him, nor more can see or brick him, the is the son of box lout only in the bubble and Parasones will by the prest teams today is we he disent exist, the titumes a terms attended everywhere he went throughour owing the we to helping the poor, they done this out of kundness + felt special to be amongst "the 12" that Trump Jeous tiday One only way is by teading the bible, attending any religious ceremonies and attending church arrest 5 times a day, thus is called working up to dealy, wit fordowing Lin (c) The cost of discipleship, sound is shown in stories such as the non young man the man was close money over his family, the once he got the money, tink of out of term & spent it on hid but useless thing, and has soon as his wraine bisappeared, he started to physically like the a pig, eathry nome is trough and alepang with the pigs with one day he got the wings to come bear and see his father that the party out the conceptences he deserted, but his father didn't that to purely him, he would to propa alebate that he had knowly got his own back, made he bolongs? The discipes outh as Tidas betrayed Festis he sold reads to proutals. Plate for 30 perces of five he guve a kind generies mans the away for money. He then couldn't take it any more, the regret he had would always be on his conscious, or he hung humber! The used number as an more important throughout oneroon the kind has the work and have the place of the plant through anything, this selfwish heat oneroon the kindness in him, he became greedy a stock in mans tipe.

(d) (i) The disciples of seons, are five best tile models totally I disciple with this second they were settish, and hoorted and greatly, they chook morney over tesus, they betrayed ever knowing seons, and they broke promises, know models totally mould have courage, browery, put others betwee themselves, the disciples didn't do this they dose many things over a more who give his like up, because he believed it was the right thing to de, the models are also people, we wire upto have faith in thrust the to disciple didn't show that, they there that the trust the totally all towards there.

gave up their family + everything that had back hime, to help deans topread the word of cord, thing levole think you thing the him, and the up the most preads thing ever they deans thing ever they should brover, when every deep to the way, they also thing and has their for him every deep to the way. They also thinked love for bears as they corned up to him as a foreaver, as the way. They also thinked love for bears as they corned up to him as a foreaver, as the way. They also the same thing, spread the word!



In (b) only one reason was given - 'Jesus doesn't exist anymore', this is developed with examples so is awarded 2 marks. This needed a second reason to take it further.

In (c) the candidate refers to the wrong incident - the parable of the Prodigal Son so cannot gain any marks.

In (d) (i) the candidate gives their own opinion with one reason - 'the disciples betrayed him'. This is developed by showing what they should be like so 2 marks are awarded. This needed a second reason in order to take it to the maximum mark.

In (d) (ii) 3 reasons are given which are: 'they gave up family', 'they showed bravery', 'they spread the word' so 3 marks are awarded.

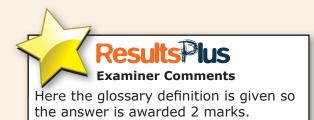


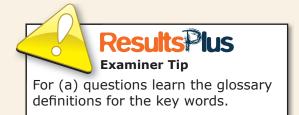
This candidate was not able to gain any marks for part (c). Make sure that you can link the story headings to the correct incidents.

Question 2 (a)

The glossary definition of this term is "the twelve selected from the disciples to be Jesus' closest disciples". The idea of selection or closeness are what is important here to gain the two marks.







Write your answer here:
(a) The twelve are the disciples that follow sexus



Question 2 (b) (c) (d)

Part (b) of this question was not generally answered well and many candidates did not understand the reference to being 'slave of all' as a reference to serving others and answered it as if it were referring to our modern idea of slavery.

Again part (c) of this question was generally not very well answered with many candidates not being able to link the idea of the costs of discipleship to the parable.

However, part (d) was better answered than the other two parts of this question.

(b) yes I thunk it's Still relevant as it shows great
Strength and continuous behavior to strive for
the position of first as you tak on the burden of
being a slowe also if you were all to fallow this
teaching then we would all be great people in ourselves.
Also being a slowe of all makes you insperior as
you have taking the hard route to secure good
and it shows a relaxed altitude of daiwop
what is weccessory to become the bost
(c) the parable of the tenants is where the owner of
the land go rented than land and the tenants be
- come ourrespectful and began to abuse the land
and not pay rent but when he sent a servant

they killed the Servant. So he sent his son and thoy killed the land awners son & the man threw out the tenants. This is interpreted as the land owner being god and the son being jesus this shows great or great example ap disciplestip as many who say the believe and follow only seek the rewards of ap the lard but this parable shows us hen we pay no rent to our own (praytor warship and we kill those who try and broak the tensor between the fourner and his people and seal a new elaborship between both. He costs are shown as the people were not greated for the open tunity ap renting great land that they took advantage until all was to st

(d) (i) It is impossible for us to be a clisciple of jesus today because many of us one bright to his message and many people come more about earthry goods than besus some christian because of many modern traditions may of us truly pail to see past the clarest agree that at this time and age its truly impossible for us to be discipled as people as many of us thought and opening to be a discipled as many of us to be discipled as people and age its truly impossible for us to be discipled as people and opening to be a discipled as many of us to be adjusted.

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In part (b) the candidate expressed their own opinion with one reason - 'shows great strength' - which was then developed so 2 marks were awarded. To gain 4 marks another reason with development would be needed.

In part (c) this response is awarded level 1 for purely a description (re-telling) of the parable. It is coherent so it gains 2 rather than 1 mark. In order to gain any more marks, explanations as to how the story shows the cost of discipleship must be given. In (d) (i) two reasons were given which were: 'blind to his message' and 'many do not have pure hearts' so the response is awarded 2 marks.

In (d) (ii) again two reasons were given - 'all denominations are disciples' and 'believe that the qualities of the 12 now dwell in themsleves' so 2 marks were awarded.



In the (c) questions, if you only tell the story that the question in based on you can only get a level 1 - 2 marks. Reasons must always be given to gain more marks.

(b) If you want to be first you must become slave of all. This quote is from when Jesus is asked by the Rich man about how to gain eternal life. Jesus also said this when the twelve were talking about who is the greatest. This teaching is still relevant because it tells us how to live a better life and how to give yourself a better life after death. This quote is important because it teaches us to put others before a relies in the parable of the tenants is a very influensial story because it a shows Gods plan for Jesus his only son, and the disciples.

When each of the tenants goes back to

the land to collect the pay, they are Killed out of fear and greed. This keeps happening until the man sends his son to collect the money, he is killed also. This they alerts to the man that there is no good that can come of this so he kills the greedy murderers and gives the land to the poor. As each of the collectors are sent, they are killed. this highlights the dangers of being a disciple because spreading the word of God may lead people to not understanding them and they may be killed or hurt by the people who fear the word of Grad When the son dies, it is a shock and immediatly shows that just because he is the mans son doesn't make him special to the Killers he is still only human Therefore if Sesus was not safe, how would the disciples be?

(d) (1) It is not impossible for to be a disciple Jesus today because the meaning disciple is a follower person who follows the teachings of Jesus. Thereby anyone who listens to and follows the teachings of Jesus and Good is a disciple (ii) Some people may disagree with me because to be a disciple of Jesus, they think that you have to have been alive when Jesus was and to have Keople may also disagree with me because they believe that they are not following the teachings of Jesus about this time They believe the teachings are out-dated so they cannot truly be a disciple of Jesus



In (b) the candidate's own view is supported by two undeveloped reasons so this gains 2 marks.

In (c) the candidate has given a reason - 'spreading the gospel may lead to being misunderstood'. This is then developed with an example 'that it may lead to being killed'. This answer is coherent so will be awarded 4 rather than 3 marks.

In (d) (i) the candidate's own opinion is supported by one reason which is 'anyone who listens... is a disciple' so this is awarded 1 mark.

In (d) (ii) two reasons are given in support of the opposing view which are: 'had to have met Jesus', 'teachings outdated so cannot follow' so this is awarded 2 marks.

Question 3 (a)

Although many candidates answered this question correctly, a significant number did get the Pharisees muddled with the Sadducees.

(a) The phorisees were the religious leaders
Who's aim was to keep the sewish
Fractitional Faith alive. They were teachers of the law



This response gives a clear description which includes the glossary definition. This was awarded 2 marks.

write your answer nere:

(a) The pharisees where a religious group that where around when Issus was alive.



This is a partially correct answer. The candidate knows that it is a religious group but has not given a sufficient description to distinguish them from other religious groups that were around at the time. It was therefore awarded 1 mark.

Question 3 (b) (c) (d)

In (b) most candidates managed to provide one or two reasons for their view on this question, but most were not able to develop those reasons and so were not able to get beyond two marks.

In (c) the intended incident in this question was that of the man lowered through the roof to Jesus. However, because at least one translation used by many centres also mentions a man with a paralysed hand (withered/shrivelled hand in other translations) either miracle was accepted and was marked accordingly. However, many candidates did get the two miracles muddled and included bits from both in their answers.

In (d) whilst there were some good answers from candidates who recognised that the question was aimed at eliciting ideas about the relationship between politics and religion, some answers were only able to make the point 'it is no longer relevant because Caesar is dead'.

being a good Man/Son of God by
the word of Godslike in the miracle where
he healed the paralysed man he said your sins are forginen he said this because he knew who he was and this was the best way
to head the man. Also if Jesus was set out to deliberatly deliberately annoy the authorities
he would of Said more things and done more things that was considered to be blasphenic
in them times. (c) The healing of the paralysed man was
Where four men cut out part of the roof and passed down a paralysed man and
asked Jesus to heal him, but this is not

It caused conflict after Jesus had performed the miracle he said "your Sins are forgiven" but the authorities where these and heard him say this and as only God can take away sins they acused Jesus at blasmyheny which the led to him being youstioned.

Blasmyheny is there a law thin this time where you could be put to death which led to conflict by Jesus being beaten at his trail and the saduces even broke there rules by testifying against Jesus at night.

(d) (1) I, do think this question is still relevant because in today it is still the low to pay taxes and for christians paying to God What is the his mean's that every thing is God So when they tried to trick Jesus by asking that question Jesus answered "What belongs to calesar should be given to him, but What belongs to God should be payed to God?" Jesus suid this because nothing is greater than God and in the long term everything is given to God.

(iii) Some people may disargee with me because they might think that the question asked to Jesus was not answered correctly he just got out of the question also there upbring leads them to not believely in God and Jesus.



In (b) this candidate gives their own opinion and two reasons, the first one being developed: 'being a good man' is developed with examples. The second reason about 'Jesus blaspheming more' is not developed so 3 marks are awarded.

In (c) the candidate has given one developed reason - 'sins are forgiven' which is developed by accused Jesus of blasphemy. The answer is coherent so it gains 4 rather than 3 marks.

In (d) (i) two reasons are given for the candidate's personal opinion: 'we still pay taxes', 'everything is God's' so 2 marks are awarded. In (d) (ii) one reason is given for the opposing view - 'upbringing leads people not to believe in Jesus' so 1 mark is awarded.

(b) no I don't think > (2) deliberarely set Out to annoy the authorities I believe he sust wanted to get his point across, if you term tell people to show them he was serious about what he was doing and to show them haw it is a better way of life. Jeto wanted everyone to be happy and not sinh so why would be deliberately annoy the authorities? his follows would then see this to be the right thing to do so thereat he would be sething a bad example to his follows.

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wanted to know how he aid it, and everyone was asking him to hear their large ones if he could hear one pewer why not hear oness in need they thought this lead to conflict because they didn't understone why he would lear other in need out if all sens aid was to help people. They seen this to be unfail.

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In (b) the candidate gives their own opinion with two undeveloped reasons which are: 'just wanted to get his point across' and 'Jesus wanted everyone not to sin'. Since neither point is developed the candidate could only gain 2 marks. In (c) there is no reference in the answer to the healing of the paralysed man so this does not answer the question and therefore is awarded 0 marks. In (d) (i) there is no understanding of the quotation so the candidate gains 0 marks. Again in (d) (ii) this answer is not related to the quotation and gets 0 marks.

Question 4 (a)

Most candidates were able to identify Palm Sunday correctly and so gained 2 marks.

(a) Palm sunday is the Sunday before easter where Jesus rule into Jerusalem on the back of a donkey



This response is a correct identification of the day (almost the glossary definition), so it gains 2 marks.

write your answer nere:

(a) Palm Sunday is a special event which took place in Jerusalem when Jesus now there on a conkey with celebrating by throwing Palm loves at him.



Although not the glossary definition, this was acceptable as it clearly correctly identifies Palm Sunday so was awarded 2 marks.

Question 4 (b) (c) (d)

In (b) most candidates correctly identified the incident in question and were able to produce one or two reasons. However, many candidates did not develop these reasons and so were unable to gain more than 2 marks.

Most candidates found this a difficult (c) question and did not easily identify what the plot was, although it is specifically mentioned in the secification. However, there were a few good answers.

In (d) most candidates were able to provide some reasons on both sides of the argument, with most candidates saying that they inevitability came either directly from Jesus' behaviour because he needed to get arrested as part of God's plan, or because the authorities didn't like him. Both these premises then needed illustrating with examples in order to gain more marks.

(b) Yes I do believe Jesus was right to do this because years is the son of God and the the temple is there God dwells Become they were buying and selling things in his cather during place, which was meant to be a place where people pray to and prouse Ciexl. He also soos mant to do cleanse the temple because the temple many people would go the to the tempe expecting to buy and sell good instead of going there to prose the Land for all he what do (c) The prot to KILL Jesus 30 was significant for many reasons. One of these reasons prophet was that desus even born. A more called Elipan is had proposested that the messich

was comeny and would emenually be killed by his own people. The prot shows that he was not only hater but dispised by his own people and eventually even hater murdered by his own people. The pact to kill jesus was also significant because Jesus a knew wast was going to happen, wise know these because descis teneco, at the lost supper, knew the judas would betray him. And even he know his forth free not try et as he also know that here decent they phonoge Isneus

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(ii) Other people may say yes, it was about the time would be not get along This is because their coal he way he was and the authorities will as the sailures as prairisees would never change the way they preached and eventually fire authorities, being wore violent the yesses, would eventually suit him



In (b) the candidate gives their own opinion with one reason 'Temple is where God dwells' which is developed with reference to the buying and selling which was going on so this was awarded 2 marks. The second paragraph is simply a repeat of the buying and selling.

In (c) three reasons are given here (one of which is developed) these are: 'the fulfillment of prophecy' (although the prophet is incorrectly identified, it still gets the mark for saying it was foretold), 'he was despised by his own people' and 'Jesus knew what was going to happen' which is developed by reference to the betrayal. The answer is coherent so it gains 8 rather than 7 marks.

In (d) (i) one reason is given for the candidate's own view $\,$ - 'if the authorities listened to Jesus' so they are awarded 1 mark.

In (d) (ii) two reasons are given for the opposing view - 'Jesus was going to keep preaching the way he was' and 'authorities would not change' so this is awarded 2 marks.

(b) I do thunk Jesus was right to cleanse the temple because it is a place of warship where people Can pray to God So it should be blessed & clean. I also thunk this because it shows that Desus Cared And Loved God which is important for us Christians.

Co The plot to kell Jesus is when the high priests and Pantious Pilate Plot to kell Jesus for his Crimes of Blaspheny. Thus is Significant because it shows us that the Scriptures are the That Jesus will the

of his disaples will betray him; Judas who helped The grands prouse plot to kell thus by telling them where he was and kness taking them to the Garden where to show the grands who he was \$\frac{\pi_0}{2} \text{This} \text{os how the grands who he was \$\frac{\pi_0}{2} \text{This} \text{os show the grands who he was \$\frac{\pi_0}{2} \text{This} \text{os show the grands who he was \$\frac{\pi_0}{2} \text{This} \text{os show the grands who he was \$\frac{\pi_0}{2} \text{This} \text{os simple and to be Christian and tove \$\frac{\pi_0}{2} \text{and persuaded by many things \$\pi_0 \text{lf Someone who Jesus trusted makes instakes and he Can forgue them Then we can also make mustakes and God Can forgue is because we are all homan. Jesus knew about \$\ext{lf their plot to kill him but he didn't by to stop them he cet them kill thum and fuflued the phrophecy.

(6) (1) & I do agree that It was Inevitable that there would be conflict between Jesus and the authorities because they both had different beliefs. And the Authorities believed that Jesus had Committed Blaspheny which was the worst Crume anyone could Commit In them times southern made them and they did not like this align. Jesus had ge become popular In the Committy of the authorities felt like he was taking away their power.

(11) Some people may awagree with me by saying that no one could have phophesised what would happened between the Authorities & Jesus. The Authorities may have agreed with Jesus and belew believed what he believed They could have followed him & preached the word of God:



In (b) the candidate states their own opinion and gives two undeveloped reasons in support 'it is a place of worship' and 'Jesus loved God'. These reasons needed to be developed in order to gain more than 2 marks.

In (c) three reasons are given which are 'the Scriptures are true', 'a follower of Jesus betrayed him' and 'he fulfilled the prophecy'. The answer is coherent so it gains 6 rather than 5 marks.

For (d) (i) the candidate gives three reasons in support of their view 'they believed Jesus committed blasphemy', 'they did not like Jesus questioning them' and 'they felt he was taking away their power' so this is awarded 3 marks. In (d) (ii) one reason in support of an opposing view is given 'authorities could have followed Jesus' so 1 mark is awarded.

Question 5 (a)

The majority of candidates correctly identified Gethsemane, although there were a significant number who muddled it with Golgotha.

Write your answer here:

(a) It is there garden where I caus and his circapies went to pray before his arrest.



This is a correct identification of Gethsemane, although different to the glossary definition it is still awarded 2 marks.

people were sent to die when they had done bad comes.



Question 5 (b) (c) (d)

In (b) many candidates had some difficulty in relating their answers to the last part of the question '..in Mark's Gospel' and so didn't score as highly as they might have done.

Part (c) was generally answered well and many candidates had learned many of the reasons why the trial of Jesus was technically illegal and therefore unfair - particularly picking out such things as it being held at night and the witnesses failing to agree.

Part (d) again was generally answered well with many candidates finding several reasons on both sides of the argument.

(b) The ressurection is important been in placks Gospel because it is what the majority go by and puts down the basis that there is life after death.

Also if the ressurrection wasn't important it would mean the Jesus wasn't the messian, didn't build the bridge between man and God and didn't wash our sins away.

(c) Christians may think the trial of Jesus before the thigh priest was unfair because it is the law that to a trial can't be held at night. Captain allowed this regardless of the

law so technically it shouldn't stand. Also the gaurds beat Jesus ma on numerous occasions this is allow also not allowed yet many turned a blind eye even with their awar knowledge Sually 24 hours shout must be allowed before a verdict was made and a punishment carried out however they made their verdict immediately and Jesus was ouxified in the early how with less than 24 hours in between. Many people aslo made palse statements but they were still taken ento account even though their stories didn't pit. Some claim that Jesus said he would "take down the temple of rebuild it in three days" However Jesus was thought to have been referring to the his body as the temple 8 the rebuilding as the ressurection. His trial and cruxifiction was injust and unpair because rules were broken but they persisted by all means.

(d) (i) I do believe that the exurifiction was bound to happen be cause Jesus knew that it was bound foods with and nothing can prevent what God wants:

If I so if Jesus wasn't cruxified then he wouldn't be an saviour because he wouldn't have taken away our sure which he classed he could do.

They hated Jesus so they would have made up & an unjust reason just to kill him even if he did nothing wrong.

(ii) People may disagree with me because it is believed that Jesus doubt God on the cross by saijing " why have you forsaken me" and in the Garden of Cethsemane when he asked God to remove his suffering This means the people think it wasn't entirely Jesus' will so the awifiction was hof bearted.

People may also believe that due to free will the plan could have a changed and Ivelas wouldn't have betrayed Jesus & Pricate may have cowified Barrabos instead.



In (b) this candidate gives their personal opinion and one simple reason 'there is life after death' and one developed reason 'wasn't the messiah' so was awarded 3 marks.

In part (c) four reasons are given which are - 'Jesus was held at night', 'the guards beat Jesus', '24 hours should elapse before sentence is carried out' and' there were false witnesses'. The answer is coherent so it gains 8 rather than 7 marks.

In (d) (i) the candidate gives three reasons in support of their own view 'It was God's will', 'without it there would be no salvation' and 'they hated Jesus' so this is awardded 3 marks. In (d) (ii) one reason is given in support of the opposing view 'The plan could have been changed' so only 1 mark can be awarded.



Part (b) questions ask for two reasons. If you give more than two reasons only two will be credited. You can only access the higher marks by developing these reasons - not by giving further reasons.

(b) Yes because it shows Gods power and how he cares for others. It is also important part of Mains Gospel as it is when people started to elisbelieve in Jesus, so by the resurrection God to proving to the people that Jesus is who he says he is the has & just Done the impossible and this shows to people it must be true and people start to believe again and this is a very significant point in Marks Gospel. (c) Christians may think that the trial before me High Priest was unfair as Jesus was not given the chance to prove nurseif, he wasn't given

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In (b) the candidate gives their own opinion supported by two basic reasons 'shows God's power' and 'it proves Jesus is who he says he is' so this is awarded 2 marks.

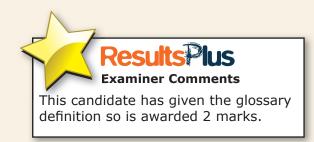
In (c) two reasons are given which are 'He should not have been in that position in the first place' and 'the idea that nothing Jesus said would change their minds'. This is an alternative approach to that contained in the mark scheme, but is acceptable. The answer is coherent so it gains 4 rather than 3 marks.

In (d) (i) two reasons are given in support of the candidate's own view 'it was God's plan' and 'it was the only way that Jesus could prove himself' so this is awareded 2 marks. In (d) (ii) one developed reason is given in support of the opposing view 'God could have prevented it' this is developed with an example - 'He could have proved Jesus was the Son of God' so 2 marks are given.

Question 6 (a)

Most candidates knew what the Upper Room was, but a surprising number of candidates thought it was a term used by Mark for Heaven.

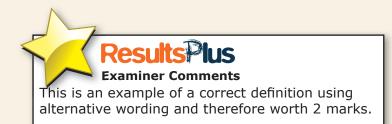
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Question 6 (b) (c) (d)

In (b) most candidates were able to provide one or two reasons to support their opinion of this issue. However, many candidates did not develop their reasons and so were unable to get the higher marks.

In (c) most candidates were able to give one or two reasons to explain why the Last Supper was significant. However, quite a few candidates were able either to develop these reasons or to give three or four reasons. Most candidates majored on the bread and wine and its links to the Eucharist, but many also pointed to the foretelling of Judas' betrayal.

In (d) most candidates could give reasons for saying why all Christians should (or should not) believe in the resurrection but many overlooked the word 'bodily' in the question.

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He also should've given it because it was the propherised that Jesus would die and the if Pilate ha con't have given in the prophery wouldn't have been fulfilled.

(c) The Last Supper was significant because it is the origin of the Eucharist and all Christians take point in the Eucharist in order to remember Jesus II is also significant because it give a new

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In (b) the candidate has given two developed reasons to support their own point of view these are 'there would have been a riot' which is developed with losing control of Judea and 'prophesied that Jesus would die' which is developed with what would have happened if it hadn't taken place so this is awarded 4 marks. In (c) three reasons, one of which is developed, are given. These reasons are 'the origin of Eucharist', 'new meaning given to the Passover' which is then developed in the last sentence and 'new meaning given to the bread and wine'. The answer is coherent so it gains 8 rather than 7 marks.

In (d)(i) two reasons are given in support of the candidate's personal view 'Jesus appeared to the disciples' and 'the tomb was empty' so this is awareded 2 marks. In (d)(ii) three reasons are given for the opposing view 'shorter ending making no mention of the appearance to the disciples', 'a human body could not survive such wounds' and 'the Bible is unreliable' so this is awarded 3 marks.

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In (b) the candidate's own opinion is supported by one developed reason 'Pilate wanted to make the crowd happy' this is developed with the outcome if he didn't so 2 marks are awarded.

In (c) one reason is given 'the link to communion'. The answer is coherent so it gains 2 rather than 1 marks.

In (d)(i) one reason is given in support of the candidate's personal view 'People who believe in Jesus have to believe everything Jesus did' so this is awarded 1 mark. In (d)(ii) one reason is given for the opposing view 'once dead not even Jesus could resurrect' so this is awarded 1 mark.

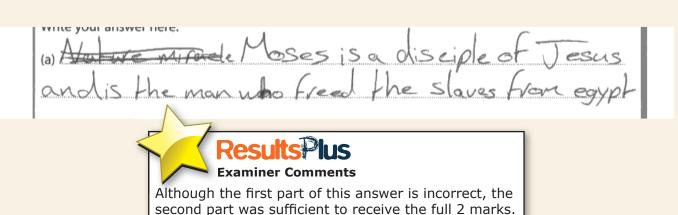
Question 7 (a)

Most candidates answering this question were able to identify who Moses was, although a few candidates confused him with Elijah.

(a) Moses is and an old testament prophet, which set the Isravites from the eyope and paned one red sea. Then he lead tham into me desert where you. Passed one ren command ments down to me.



This is a very full answer which is correct but is longer than is necessary. It includes 'Setting the Israelites free' and 'receiving the Ten Commandments' - either of these on its own would have guaranteed the 2 marks.



Question 7 (b) (c) (d)

In (b) most candidates were able to achieve maximum marks on this question because the two reasons just needed to be illustrated by a relevant example of a miracle.

In (c) the question referred to a passage from Matthew's Gospel. Even though this is a paper on Mark's Gospel, this reference to Matthew's Gospel is part of the specifiation. Most candidates attempting this question were aware that this was all about the role of Peter as seen by Roman Catholics.

In (d) most candidates pointed to the voice from heaven saying 'You are my son...' as showing the divine nature of Jesus. Many candidates also pointed out that many see the baptism as being the first appearance of the Trinity.

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In (b) the candidate's own opinion is supported by two undeveloped reasons 'many saw the miracles' and 'if not he would not have been resurrected' so this is awarded 2 marks. In (c) four reasons are given, these are 'Build the church on this rock, Peter', 'the keys of the kingdom are given to Peter', 'Peter is the first Pope' and 'Peter is given authority to let people into heaven'. The answer is coherent so it gains 8 rather than 7 marks. In (d)(i) the candidate's own opinion is supported by two reasons, one of which is developed these are 'a voice from heaven came down' which is developed by 'what the voice said' and the second reason is 'the Holy Spirit came down' so this is awarded 3 marks. In (d)(ii) one reason is given in support of the opposing view 'what they saw may have been an illusion' so this is awarded 1 mark.



Be careful that you only answer the parts (a, b, c, d) from one of the two questions on the page. If you take parts from both questions you will only be able to gain marks from one of the two questions you have answerd.

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important for Catholics as it gives the Pope
more power as the Mark version shows
the complete expresste and gives the
pope less power and authority.

(0) (1) Yes because when the baptism happened the trinity was first seen together as one. When Jesus was baptised on the holy spirit came down in the form of a clove and a voice came down from heaven saying this is my son, In him I am pleased. This shows that Jesus was divine

(11) Some people may disagree with me arguing that it Jesus was the Son of Good then he must not have sin so he dozent need to be Imptised. They may calso argue that he was baptised by an ordinary person, with low status is he was divine some one with high authority and status would have done it.



In (b) the candidate's own opinion is supported by one undeveloped reason 'the examples in the Bible' so this is awarded 1 mark.

In (c) one reason is given 'Peter became the first pope'. The answer is coherent so it gains 2 rather than 1 marks.

In (d)(i) the candidate's own opinion is supported by three valid reasons, these are: 'the Trinity seen as one', 'the Holy Spirit came down as a dove' and 'the voice from heaven', so 3 marks are awarded.

In (d)(ii) one reason given in support of the opposing view 'if divine then he has no sin and no need of baptism' so 1 mark is awarded.

Results lus Examiner Tip

In (b) questions it only asks for what you think. So you should not give two sides to an argument (unlike in the (d) questions) unless you cannot make up your mind and can argue your point of view from both sides. But both reasons must be your point of view - not someone else's.

Question 8 (a)

This question proved difficult for many candidates with many of them thinking that a nature miracle was one which nature performed itself. In general candidates did not understand the meaning of the term in the context of Mark's Gospel.

(a) Noture miracle is a miracle that leaus show his power over nature e.g. walking on water calming the storm.



If the examples had been given without the definition, it would have been deemed to be a partially correct answer and been awarded 1 mark. However, this answer began with the glossary definition so gained 2 marks. The examples were not needed in order to gain the full marks.

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This answer did not understand the term within the context of a study of Mark's Gospel and so was not able to gain any marks.

Question 8 (b) (c) (d)

In (b) although there were some good answers to this question, a lot of candidates were often muddling up the terms Son of God and Son of Man.

In (c) although most of the candidates knew what the Transfiguration was, quite a lot were unaware of when it took place and often said that it proved that Jesus had come back to life. Good answers however were able to point out the Jewish belief that Elijah would return before the Messiah came thus showing Jesus to be the Messiah.

In (d) most candidates could find at least one reason on each side of the argument. Many produced more than one.

(b) I do think that Mark proves that Jesus was the son of God because he showed rumeous niracles like the calming of the storm (Has 35-42) a that even the disciples Shocked by He also did things that nobody else could do like saying he was the son of God" Showing things to prove SO & (Mark 1: Mark recorded these events. Mark also wrote about the paptism Gods voice decental his son that I am well pleased with (Hack (c) The transifiguration shows that Jesus could miracles related to himself when he Moses of Elijah and his clothes turned an unearthly white.

This shows that Jesus wasn't an ordinary man because he fufilled the prophecy of Elizah and did things which were unearthly. It also shows that he was the son of God as he went up into the skies and did something that broke the laws of science. This also strengthered p. the disciples belief in him who couldn't com even relieve a boy of demonds demons (Hark 4:19-26) The transiguration a was also Jesus's way of showing the world who he was and what he could do and also that he was greater than both Elijah & Moses so they should worship him & his rules and first of the O commandments given should be applied of to his not via versa to Moses second because he was the saviour & Messiah The pure white of his dothing showed his unocence & purity notody on earth could posess.

(d) (i) I agree that there are no problems believing that Jesus could perform miracles because he was the Son of God which God confirmed at his baption. Also all the miracles be her performed couldn't be explained by Science so their leaves no other explanation than God.

Also there are no problems because the disciples who were his main followers confirmed its as using these their own free will and brust in God Jesus also performs miracles today from heaven, it is believed.

(ii) People may disagree because the disciples
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to make the leader look too good:

Some may also see it as a problem because
there are no original witnesses alive from the
miracles of the gospel can come across as beased
and confusing like it has on other occassions.

People may also disagree because if Jesus
could perform such glorious miracles then also
didn't he save himself from cruxfiction and
why don't such miracles occur today.



In (b) the candidate's own opinion is supported by two reasons one of which is developed these are 'miracles' (developed with an example) and 'Mark calls him the Son of God'. The third reason is discounted as the question only two asked for so this is awarded 3 marks. In part (c) three reasons are given these are 'showed he was the Son of God', 'showed he was greater than Moses and Elijah' and 'showed his purity. The answer is coherent so it gains 6 rather than 5 marks.

In (d) (i) the candidate's personal opinion is supported by three reasons 'Son of God', 'can't be explained by science' and 'still performs them today' so this is awarded 3 marks. In (d) (ii) three reasons are given in support of the opposing view these are 'the disciples were biased towards him', 'no original witnesses are alive' and 'why didn't he save himself?' so this is awarded 3 marks.

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In (b) the candidate's own opinion is supported by one reason 'God's voice called Jesus his son' so this is awarded 1 mark.

In (c) two reasons are given 'Jesus was the messiah' and 'the voice from heaven'. The answer is coherent so it gains 4 rather than 3 marks.

In (d)(i) the candidate's own opinion is supported by two valid reasons one of which is developed 'we should see miracles as parables' this is developed with an example and 'the miracles can't be verified'. The other reasons can be ignored as the maximum has been reached so this awarded 3 marks.

In (d)(ii) two developed reasons are given for the opposing view 'Jesus is the Son of God' and 'Jesus was given this power' so this is awarded 2 marks.

Paper Summary

Teachers and candidates should note these general points in order to improve candidate's achievement in future years:

There is a choice of two questions per section, each of these has four sub questions, candidates can either attempt the sub-questions in the top question (odd numbers) or the sub-questions in the bottom question (even numbered). Candidates who choose questions from a mixture of the top and bottom questions will not receive marks for all their responses and as such are at a clear disadvantage.

Candidates are asked to indicate which question they have answered by putting a cross in a box at the top of the paper. Some candidates did not do this and they should be reminded to do this as part of examination preparation.

The amount of lines given on the examination paper is more than adequate for candidates to achieve maximum marks. There is no need for candidates to write more than this. Any candidate who needs extra space can use that space allocated to other questions as long as they clearly indicate on their paper that this is what they have done.

Candidates produced some very interesting answers to the questions posed. This indicated that they and their teachers had not only studied the topic but importantly had linked them to their everyday life and that reflected in the society around them. These are some general points on each of the part questions:

Maximum marks on the part (a) questions are easily gained by learning the Edexcel glossary definitions.

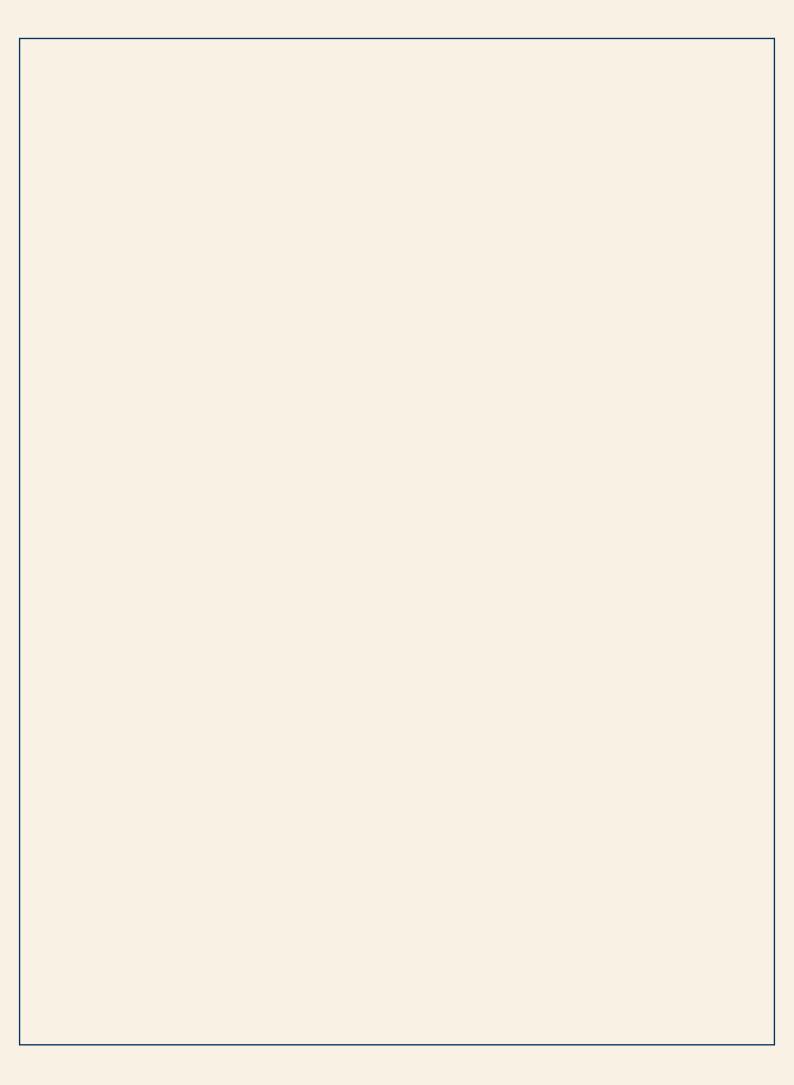
Only the candidate's point of view is credited in part (b) questions. The easiest way to gain full marks is for candidates to concentrate on stating their opinion and writing two separate reasons for it, each in a distinct paragraph, and then to develop each of the reasons with an example or a quote.

Candidates can gain the higher mark within the level, on part (c) questions by writing coherently. Part (c) questions test AO1 and so will either ask for candidates to 'Explain why' or to 'Explain how'.

Many of the part (d) questions this year produced interesting answers. However candidates should ensure that they start by stating their own view and reasons for it in the part (d) (i) and then state reasons why someone might hold a different view in part (d) (ii) rather than mixing the two halves. At least one of the reasons given in either (d) (i) or (d) (ii) must be explicitly religious to go beyond 3 marks. The (d) questions on this unit can ask for the candidate to refer Christianity.

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