

**Oxford, Cambridge and RSA Examinations**  
**General Certificate of Secondary Education**

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES A (WORLD RELIGIONS) (SHORT COURSE) 2394/1**  
**PAPER 4A – Christianity**

**Specimen Paper 2003**

Additional materials: Answer paper  
Candidates answer on separate answer paper provided.

**TIME** 1 hour

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Answer Question 1 and **one** other question.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, on the answer paper provided.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 43.
- You will be awarded up to 3 marks in Question 1 for the quality of written communication.

Answer question 1 and **one** other question.

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- (a) Describe a Christian marriage service. [8]
- (b) Explain the importance of the vows made at this service. [7]
- (c) 'It is the duty of parents to pass on their religious beliefs to their children.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

- 2 (a) Describe the main features of a Christian place of worship. [8]
- (b) Explain how and why Christians might show respect for the Bible in their daily lives. [7]
- (c) 'Christians should pay more attention to the New Testament than to the Old Testament.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. [5]

- 3 (a) Describe the teachings about forgiveness in the Sermon on the Mount. [8]
- (b) Explain how and why Christians might help people who are in prison. [7]
- (c) 'Religious people should avoid conflict.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

- 4 (a) What does the Apostles' Creed teach about the Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit)? [8]
- (b) How and why might keeping Lent affect the life of a Christian? [7]
- (c) 'It is impossible to follow the example of Jesus, so there is no point in trying.'

Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]

