

**GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION  
RELIGIOUS STUDIES A (WORLD RELIGIONS) (FULL COURSE)**

**2301/1**

Paper 1 Christianity through a Study of *either* Luke *or* Mark

**TUESDAY 17 JUNE 2008**

Afternoon  
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Additional materials (enclosed):** None

**Additional materials (required):**  
Answer Booklet (8 pages)



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, in the Answer Booklet provided.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer questions from only **one** section.
- If you have studied Section A (Luke): Answer Question 1 and **two** other questions from Section A.
- If you have studied Section B (Mark): Answer Question 6 and **two** other questions from Section B.

**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 **64**.
- You will be awarded up to 4 marks in Question 1 (Section A) or Question 6 (Section B) for the quality of written communication.

This document consists of **6** printed pages and **2** blank pages.

Answer questions from **one** section, A or B.

Do **not** answer questions taken from both sections.

### Section A Luke

Answer Question 1 and **two** other questions.



- 1 (a) Describe the occasion when Jesus was tempted three times by the devil. [8]
- (b) Explain how the story of Jesus resisting temptation might help Christians to follow their beliefs. [7]
- (c) 'There are more temptations today than in the time of Jesus.'

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 what happened when the Centurion showed faith in Jesus. [8]
- (b) Explain how Jesus' actions of caring for sick people might influence the actions of Christians today. [7]
- (c) 'Miracles only happen to religious people.'

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]

- 3 (a) Give an account of the parable of The Rich Man and Lazarus. [8]
- (b) Explain how the parables in Luke might help Christians to understand Jesus' teaching about the Kingdom of God. [7]
- (c) 'Parables are the best way to teach about Christianity.'
- Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. [5]
- 4 (a) Describe what happened on the road to Emmaus. [8]
- (b) Explain why celebrating the Resurrection at Easter is important for Christians. [7]
- (c) 'The Resurrection is the most important event in Luke's gospel.'
- 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 answers. [5]
- 5 (a) Describe what happened to the disciples at Pentecost. [8]
- (b) Explain why belief in the Holy Spirit is important to Christians. [7]
- (c) 'Without the events of Pentecost there would have been no early church.'
- Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. [5]

**Turn over only if you have studied Mark's Gospel**

Answer questions from **one** section, A or B.

Do **not** answer questions taken from both sections.

### Section B Mark

Answer Question 6 and **two** other questions.



The trial before Pilate.

- 6 (a) From Mark's gospel, describe the trial of Jesus before Pilate, the Roman Governor. [8]
- (b) Explain how Jesus' courage before his enemies might influence Christians in their lives. [7]
- (c) 'Jesus' death was the beginning of Christianity.'

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

- 7 (a) Describe the occasion when Jesus walked on the water. [8]
- (b) Explain why stories of Jesus saving the disciples from a storm might be important to Christians. [7]
- (c) 'Christianity no longer needs miracles.'

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

- 8 (a) Give an account of the parables of the Growing Seed and the Mustard Seed. [8]
- (b) Explain how the parables in Mark might help Christians to understand Jesus' teaching about the Kingdom of God. [7]
- (c) 'Parables are the best way to teach about Christianity.'

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]

- 9 (a)** Describe the occasion when Jesus healed a boy possessed by an evil spirit. [8]
- (b)** Explain how Jesus' actions of healing people possessed by evil spirits might influence the actions of Christians today. [7]
- (c)** 'Miracles only happen to religious people.'

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]

- 10 (a)** Describe what happened when Jesus appeared to the eleven disciples for the last time and when he was taken up to heaven. [8]
- (b)** Explain why celebrating the Resurrection at Easter is important for Christians. [7]
- (c)** 'The Resurrection is the most important event in Mark's gospel.'

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]





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