

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

2302/2

Paper 2B Christian (Roman Catholic) Perspectives on Personal, Social and World Issues

WEDNESDAY 14 MAY 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 Question 1 and **two** other questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks for each question 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 for the quality of written communication.

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



Isaiah 58.6 (NJB)

- 1 (a) Describe Roman Catholic teaching which might be used in a discussion about human rights. [8]
- (b) Explain why some Roman Catholics might support pacifism. [7]
- (c) 'Wars can never be holy.'

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 the Roman Catholic Church teaches about the roles of family members. [8]
- (b) Explain Roman Catholic teaching about divorce and annulment. [7]
- (c) 'Sometimes it would be kinder to allow Roman Catholics to divorce.'

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) Describe the work of a Roman Catholic aid organisation. [8]
- (b) Explain why the Roman Catholic Church teaches that looking after the poor is important. [7]
- (c) 'Praying is more important than looking after the poor.'

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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4 (a) Describe the work of one well-known Christian who has helped to overcome prejudice and discrimination. [8]

(b) Explain Christian teaching about looking after neighbours. [7]

(c) 'It is impossible to put teachings about discrimination into practice.'

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]

5 (a) Describe Roman Catholic teachings which might be used in a discussion about contraception. [8]

(b) Explain why the Roman Catholic Church is against abortion. [7]

(c) 'Artificial contraception is always wrong.'

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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