

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS STUDIES B

(PHILOSOPHY AND/OR APPLIED ETHICS)

Philosophy 2 (Good and Evil, Revelation, Science)

B602



Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

- 8 page answer booklet
(sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None

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Afternoon

Duration: 1 hour



MODIFIED LANGUAGE

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Any additional paper used must be securely fastened to the answer booklet.
- Answer **TWO** questions.
 - You must answer your two questions from **different Sections**.
 - Section A – Good and Evil
 - Section B – Religion, Reason and Revelation
 - Section C – Religion and Science
 - You must answer all parts (a–e) of the questions that you choose.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

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 **48**.
- Quality of written communication is assessed in parts (d) and (e) of all questions.
- This document consists of **8** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Section A: Good and Evil

If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a–e) of the question.

1 Buddhism

- (a) What does ‘immoral’ mean? [1]
- (b) Describe **one** way in which Buddhists might try to deal with suffering. [2]
- (c) How does kamma explain why there is evil in the world? [3]
- (d) Explain why Buddhists might feel it is important to behave in a moral way. [6]
- (e) “There is no such thing as evil.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Buddhism in your answer. [12]

[Total: 24]

2 Christianity

- (a) What does ‘immoral’ mean? [1]
- (b) Describe **one** way in which Christians might try to deal with suffering. [2]
- (c) How does the idea of free will explain why there is evil in the world? [3]
- (d) Explain why Christians might feel it is important to behave in a moral way. [6]
- (e) “There is no such thing as evil.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [12]

[Total: 24]

3 Hinduism

- (a) What does ‘immoral’ mean? [1]
- (b) Describe **one** way in which Hindus might try to deal with suffering. [2]
- (c) How does karma explain why there is evil in the world? [3]
- (d) Explain why Hindus might feel it is important to behave in a moral way. [6]
- (e) “There is no such thing as evil.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [12]

[Total: 24]

4 Islam

- (a) What does ‘immoral’ mean? [1]
- (b) Describe **one** way in which Muslims might try to deal with suffering. [2]
- (c) How does the idea of free will explain why there is evil in the world? [3]
- (d) Explain why Muslims might feel it is important to behave in a moral way. [6]
- (e) “There is no such thing as evil.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [12]

[Total: 24]

5 Judaism

- (a) What does ‘immoral’ mean? [1]
- (b) Describe **one** way in which Jews might try to deal with suffering. [2]
- (c) How does the idea of free will explain why there is evil in the world? [3]
- (d) Explain why Jews might feel that it is important to behave in a moral way. [6]
- (e) “There is no such thing as evil.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [12]

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6 Sikhism

- (a) What does ‘immoral’ mean? [1]
- (b) Describe **one** way in which Sikhs might try to deal with suffering. [2]
- (c) How does the idea of free will explain why there is evil in the world? [3]
- (d) Explain why Sikhs might feel that it is important to behave in a moral way. [6]
- (e) “There is no such thing as evil.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Sikhism in your answer. [12]

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Section B: Religion, Reason and Revelation

If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a–e) of the question.

7 Buddhism

- (a) What does 'Buddha' mean? [1]
- (b) Give **two** ways in which Buddhists might look for a revelation. [2]
- (c) Describe what Buddhists mean by enlightenment. [3]
- (d) Explain why the Buddha is important for Buddhists. [6]
- (e) "People who believe they have had religious experiences are deceiving themselves."

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Buddhism in your answer. [12]

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8 Christianity

- (a) Who is called the Messiah by Christians? [1]
- (b) Give **two** ways in which Christians might look for a revelation from God. [2]
- (c) Describe what Christians mean by mystical experience. [3]
- (d) Explain why the Messiah is important for Christians. [6]
- (e) "People who believe they have had religious experiences are deceiving themselves."

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [12]

[Total: 24]

9 Hinduism

- (a) What does 'guru' mean? [1]
- (b) Give **two** ways in which Hindus might look for a revelation from the gods. [2]
- (c) Describe what Hindus mean by mystical experience. [3]
- (d) Explain why the Bhagavad Gita is important to Hindus. [6]
- (e) "People who believe they have had religious experiences are deceiving themselves."

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [12]

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10 Islam

- (a) What does ‘prophet’ mean? [1]
- (b) Give **two** ways in which Muslims might look for a revelation from Allah. [2]
- (c) Describe what Muslims mean by mystical experience. [3]
- (d) Explain why Muhammad ﷺ is important for Muslims. [6]
- (e) “People who believe they have had religious experiences are deceiving themselves.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [12]

[Total: 24]

11 Judaism

- (a) What does ‘prophet’ mean? [1]
- (b) Give **two** ways in which Jews might look for a revelation from G-d. [2]
- (c) Describe what Jews mean by mystical experience. [3]
- (d) Explain why Moses is important for Jews. [6]
- (e) “People who believe they have had religious experiences are deceiving themselves.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [12]

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12 Sikhism

- (a) What does ‘guru’ mean? [1]
- (b) Give **two** ways in which Sikhs might look for a revelation from Waheguru. [2]
- (c) Describe what Sikhs mean by mystical experience. [3]
- (d) Explain why Guru Nanak Dev Ji is important for Sikhs. [6]
- (e) “People who believe they have had religious experiences are deceiving themselves.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Sikhism in your answer. [12]

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Section C: Religion and Science

If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a–e) of the question.

13 Buddhism

- (a) What is meant by ‘environmental problems’? [1]
- (b) Give **two** reasons that Buddhists could use to support medical testing on animals. [2]
- (c) Why might Buddhists accept the theory that human beings evolved from apes? [3]
- (d) Explain what Buddhists believe is the role of humanity in the world. [6]
- (e) “If humanity is here by chance then my life has no purpose.”

Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Buddhism in your answer. [12]

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14 Christianity

- (a) What is meant by ‘environmental problems’? [1]
- (b) Give **two** reasons that Christians could use to support medical testing on animals. [2]
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- (e) “If humanity is here by chance then my life has no purpose.”

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- (a) What is meant by 'environmental problems'? [1]
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Discuss this statement. You should include different, and supported points of view and your own point of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [12]

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- (a) What is meant by 'environmental problems'? [1]
- (b) Give **two** reasons that Sikhs could use to support medical testing on animals. [2]
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