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RELIGIOUS STUDIES SPECIFICATION A UNIT 6 HINDUISM

A.M. FRIDAY, 22 June 2012

1 hour 45 minutes

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Question 1	
Question 2	
Question 3	
Question 4	
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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

Answer all questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

If you run out of space in this question-and-answer booklet you may use continuation sheets. Number the questions clearly and enclose your sheets in this question-and-answer booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the Quality of Written Communication used in your answers that involve extended writing (questions 1(e), 2(e), 3(e) and 4(e)).

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	(a) Describe the internal features of a mandir. [4]	
	(b) Explain why a mandir is important to many Hindus. [4]	

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(c)	Explain how Hindus worship in a mandir. [4]	Unity
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(<i>d</i>)	'Daily puja is the most important act of worship in Hinduism.' Do you agree or disagree? Give two reasons for your answer. (You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.) [4]	
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(e)	Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that	
	considered more than one point of view. (You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)	[8]
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5 There are some beliefs about God (Brahman) which most Hindus accept. Describe what Hindus believe about God (Brahman). [4]

Explain Hindu attitudes to abortion. *(b)*

(a)

[4]

Study the information below and answer the questions which follow. 2.

Examiner only Explain how Hindu beliefs in life after death might affect their way of life. (c)[4] (d)'Belief in life after death is the most important Hindu belief.' Do you agree or disagree? Give two reasons for your answer. (You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.) [4]

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(e)	 'Euthanasia is always wrong.' Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view. (You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.) [8] 	
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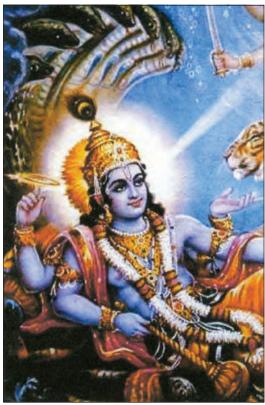
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3. Study the information below and answer the questions which follow.



Vishnu

(a)	Describe the main features of Vishnu.	[4]
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(b)	Explain the concept of varna in Hinduism.	[4]	Ully
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(c)	Explain how bhakti is practised in Hinduism.	[4]	
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 (d)	'The caste system is out of date.'	•••••	
	Do you agree or disagree? Give two reasons for your answer. (You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)	[4]	
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	10	Examiner only
(e)	'Marriage is the most important ashrama.'	
	Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view.[8](You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)[8]	
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4. Study the information below and answer the questions which follow.

During the Hindu marriage ceremony the parents show that they approve of the marriage. Marriage is an important rite of passage.

Describe a Hindu marriage ceremony. (a)[4] _____ Explain why Rama and Sita are important to Hindus. *(b)* [4]

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(c)	Explain how Hindus celebrate Divali.	[4]
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(<i>d</i>)	'A Hindu should only marry another Hindu.' Do you agree or disagree? Give two reasons for your answer.	
	Do you agree or disagree? Give two reasons for your answer. (You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)	[4]
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(e)	'Hindu rites of passage are important today.' Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have	
	considered more than one point of view. (You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.) [8]	
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