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**GCSE**

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**RELIGIOUS STUDIES  
SPECIFICATION A  
UNIT 6: Hinduism**

P.M. TUESDAY, 20 May 2014

1 hour 45 minutes

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	24	
<b>SPaG</b>	5	
2.	24	
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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)).

In addition, your ability to spell, punctuate and use grammar accurately will be assessed in question 1(e).

Answer all questions.

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



Hindu naming ceremony

(a) Describe the Nam Samskar (naming) ceremony.

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(b) Explain why children are important in a Hindu family.

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(c) Explain how a Hindu family performs puja in the home.

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(d) 'Hinduism is a religion of the home.'

Do you agree **or** disagree? Give **two** reasons for your answer.  
(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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

**Hinduism has many teachings concerning life and death.**

(a) Describe what Hinduism teaches about life after death. [4]

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(b) Explain Hindu attitudes towards birth control. [4]

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(c) Explain how Hindus perform funeral rites.

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(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.)

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



Rama and Sita

(a) Describe the main events in the story of Rama and Sita.

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(b) Explain why Sita is a role model for Hindu women.

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(c) Explain how a Hindu might try to follow his dharma during the householder stage of life. [4]

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(d) 'Following dharma makes life difficult for a Hindu.'  
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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4. Study the information below and answer the questions which follow.

**Hindus have many different ways of expressing their identity.**

(a) Describe the meaning of the Hindu symbol 'Aum'. [4]

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(b) Explain Hindu attitudes to other religions. [4]

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(c) Explain how Hindus celebrate Navaratri.

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(d) 'Holi is the most important Hindu festival.'

Do you agree **or** disagree? Give **two** reasons for your answer.  
(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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