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

P.M. MONDAY, 18 May 2015

1 hour 45 minutes

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	24	
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2.	24	
3.	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.

The shrine is a central feature of every Hindu home.

- (a) Describe the items found on a home shrine. [4]

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- (b) Describe the role of the priest in a Hindu community. [4]

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(c) Explain how a Hindu might celebrate Durga Puja.

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(d) 'Hindus do not need to go to the mandir (temple) to worship.'

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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(e) 'Performing puja is not the most important practice in Hinduism.'

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.)

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Marks for spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar are allocated to this question.

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



A Hindu marriage ceremony

(a) Describe the role of parents in Hinduism.

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(b) Explain the main features of a Hindu marriage ceremony.

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(c) Explain how the example of Rama and Sita might influence a Hindu married couple. [4]

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(d) 'Parents should never choose who their children marry.'

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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(e) 'No Hindu family is complete until there are children.'

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.)

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



Krishna

(a) Describe Hindu beliefs about Krishna.

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(b) Explain why the belief in avatars is important in Hinduism.

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(c) Explain how a Hindu might perform bhakti.

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(d) 'Hindus believe in one god.'

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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(e) 'Stories about the gods help children learn about their religion.'

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.)

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

Hindus believe there are four main stages in life.

(a) Describe Hindu teaching on the ashramas. [4]

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(b) Explain how a Hindu might follow dharma during the retirement stage of life. [4]

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(c) Explain the role of sacred texts in Hinduism.

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(d) 'The ashramas are no longer relevant.'

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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(e) ‘Children learn about their religion best through taking part in festivals.’

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.)

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