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**GCSE**

205/01

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES  
SPECIFICATION A  
PAPER A  
CHRISTIANITY 1**

P.M. MONDAY, 19 May 2008

1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours

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<b>SECTION A</b>	
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**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

A 4 page answer book.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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

Answer **all** the questions in Sections **A** and **B** in the spaces provided in this booklet.

In Section **C** answer **two** questions in the separate answer book provided, which should then be enclosed 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 will be awarded marks for quality of written communication.

**SECTION A**

*Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.*

1. (a) State **one** internal feature of a church or chapel. [1]

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- (b) Why are hymns used in Christian worship? [1]

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- (c) What is meant by confession? [2]

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- (d) Why is baptism important to many Christians? [2]

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(e) What is the role of an ordained Christian in a church or chapel community? [2]

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(f) How might Christians help those in need in their local community? [2]

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(g) What is meant by conscience? [2]

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(h) Why do Christians believe in life after death? [2]

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(i) Describe the work of the Salvation Army. [3]

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(j) Explain **one** Christian attitude to homosexuality. [3]

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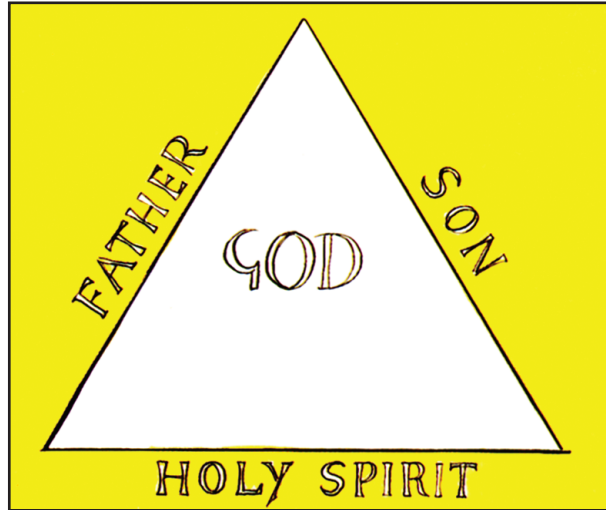
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**SECTION B**

Answer **all** questions in this section in the spaces provided.

2. Study the words and picture below and answer the questions which follow.



Source: *Christianity - A New Approach*, K. O'Donnell, Hodder and Stoughton

(a) State **two** Christian beliefs about Jesus.

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(b) What is the Trinity?

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(c) What do Christians mean when they describe God as 'Father'?

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(d) Describe what some Christians have done to end discrimination based on race.

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(e) Explain why many Christians support the work of Christian Aid **or** Tear Fund. [4]

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(f) ‘What a Christian believes is more important than what he or she does.’  
Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence to support your point of view. [4]

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

“Before God and in the presence of us all,  
Sarah and Kevin have exchanged vows,  
Joined their hands,  
And given and received rings,  
Binding themselves to each other  
In the covenant of marriage.  
I therefore proclaim  
That they are now husband and wife.”  
  
*From a Methodist Wedding Service*

(a) State **two** religious reasons why a couple would choose to marry in a church or chapel. [2]

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(b) Why are the vows an important part of a marriage service? [2]

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(c) What does Christianity teach about the purpose of sex? [2]

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(d) Describe the different Christian attitudes to divorce. [4]

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(e) Explain how a church or chapel community might support a married couple facing difficulties. [4]

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(f) 'Divorced people should be allowed to remarry in church.'  
Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence to support your point of view. [4]

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## SECTION C

Answer **two** questions.

Write your answers in the separate answer book which should then be enclosed in this question-and-answer booklet.

4. (a) Describe how a Christian might show love for God. [4]

(b) Describe a Eucharist/Communion service **and** explain why it is important to many Christians. [8]

(c) 'Going to church or chapel services is an essential part of Christian life.'

Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

5. (a) Describe the duties that Christian parents have towards their children. [4]

(b) Describe a membership **or** confirmation service **and** explain why it is important to those involved in it. [8]

(c) 'It is impossible to maintain a Christian lifestyle in Britain today.'

Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]

6. (a) Describe Christian teaching concerning gender (sex) discrimination. [4]

(b) Explain why the Bible is an important authority for Christians **and** describe how they might use it in worship. [8]

(c) 'Religion will bring equality to the world.'

Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view. [8]