

Paper Reference(s)

4425/01

London Examinations IGCSE

Religious Studies

Paper 1

Beliefs and Values

Tuesday 12 May 2009 – Afternoon

Time: 2 hours

Materials required for examination

Answer book (AB12)

Items included with question papers

Nil

Instructions to Candidates

Answer one question from Section A, one question from Section B, one question from Section C, one question from Section D and two questions from Section E.

In the boxes on the answer book, write your centre number, candidate number, the subject title (Religious Studies), the paper reference (4425/01), your surname, other names and signature.

Write your answers in the answer book. Make sure your answers to parts of questions are clearly numbered. Use additional answer sheets if necessary.

Information for Candidates

The marks for individual questions and the parts of questions are shown in round brackets: e.g. (2).

There are 16 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 80.

There are 8 pages in this question paper. Any blank pages are indicated.

Dictionaries may NOT be used in this examination.

Advice to Candidates

You should spend about 20 minutes on each question.

Write your answers clearly and in good English.

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Section A: Human beings and their destiny

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

1. (a) What is **moral evil**? (2)
- (b) Outline religious beliefs about the soul. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that human beings should be held responsible for their actions. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

2. (a) What is **materialism**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about human responsibility for the planet. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people do not believe in life after death. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A: 15 MARKS

Section B: The meaning and purpose of life

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

3. (a) What is **euthanasia**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the purpose of life. (5)
- (c) Explain why religion may help people to live with suffering. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

4. (a) What is **liberation**? (2)
- (b) Outline **three** examples of religious nurture. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people cannot decide whether or not God exists. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B: 15 MARKS

Section C: Marriage, family life and human relationships

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

5. (a) What is a **nuclear** family? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the purposes of marriage. (5)
- (c) Explain why some religious people are against remarriage. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

6. (a) What is **faithfulness** in marriage? (2)
- (b) Outline religious responses to childlessness. (5)
- (c) Explain how non-religious people are responding to changing patterns of relationships between the sexes. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C: 15 MARKS

Section D: Relationships with other people

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

7. (a) Give **two** examples of **gender bias**. (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the poor. (5)
- (c) Explain why religious people should defend human rights. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

8. (a) What is **racism**? (2)
- (b) Outline **two** religious teachings which help to support a multi-faith society. (5)
- (c) Explain why there are differing religious attitudes to the roles of men and women in society. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION D: 15 MARKS

Section E

Answer TWO questions from this section.

9. ‘God has caused all the evil in the world.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

10. ‘Matter cannot be all that exists.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

11. ‘The world does not appear to have been designed.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

12. ‘Relief of suffering must always take priority in treating the incurably ill.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

13. ‘The extended family plays an essential part in the successful upbringing of children.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

14. 'Non-religious people should have no problems with adultery.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

15. 'Religious teachings make no difference to promoting racial harmony.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

16. 'It is wrong to try to convert people to another religion.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION E: 20 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 80 MARKS

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