



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2010

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - HIGHER LEVEL

Total Marks: 400

THURSDAY, 17 JUNE - AFTERNOON, 2.00 to 4.00

General Directions for Candidates

1. Write your EXAMINATION NUMBER in this box:

2. WRITE ALL ANSWERS INTO THIS ANSWER BOOK.

3. YOU MUST ANSWER ALL 5 SECTIONS ON THIS PAPER.

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SECTION 1

(50 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 15 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

YOU MUST ANSWER **TEN** OF THE FOLLOWING TWENTY QUESTIONS.

IN QUESTIONS WHERE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TICK ✓ THE CORRECT BOX, TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY.

(All questions carry 5 marks each)

1. To behave morally means _____

2. The Roman Catholic Church is one Christian denomination in Ireland.
Name **another** Christian denomination in Ireland. _____

3. The writers of the four Gospels are called – (Tick ✓ the correct box)
Evangelists Martyrs Prophets

4. In a religious tradition the term 'integrity' means _____

5. The crucifixion of Jesus is most associated with which **one** of the following places -
(Tick ✓ the correct box)
Gaza Gilgal Golgotha

6. Agnosticism holds the view that _____

7. The name Vishnu is most associated with which **one** of the following world religions?
(Tick ✓ the correct box)
Hinduism Islam Judaism

8. Confirmation is one example of a Christian sacrament.
Name **one** other Christian sacrament. _____

9. Sectarianism is the hatred of another person because of his/her religion.
(Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False

10. Ecumenism involves _____

11. The name Yahweh/YHWH is most associated with which **one** of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Buddhism Hinduism Judaism

12. Worship is one way in which people express religious belief.
Name **another** way in which people express religious belief. _____

13. Jesus was born in the province of - (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Galilee Judaea / Judea Samaria

14. One reason for community breakdown is _____

15. Secularism holds the view that the laws of a country should be based on religion. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True False

16. A person's conscience helps him/her to _____

17. The name Allah is most associated with which **one** of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Buddhism Hinduism Islam

18. Making a decision that a person believes is right, is the final stage in the process of moral decision-making. State **another** stage in the process of moral decision-making. _____

19. The Paritta is a prayer most associated with which **one** of the following world religions. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Buddhism Islam Judaism

20. Participation is one element of worship. Name **another** element of worship. _____

SECTION 2

(30 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 15 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

CHOOSE THREE OF THE FOLLOWING PHOTOGRAPHS AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS ON EACH. (All questions carry 10 marks each)

Question 1. This drawing is based on Jesus calling his disciples.



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A. Pick one thing from the drawing which suggests that it is based on Jesus calling his disciples.

_____ (2 marks)

B. Name one person whom Jesus called to be his disciple.

_____ (2 marks)

C. State two things that Jesus asked his disciples to do.

i. _____

ii. _____

_____ (6 marks)

Question 2. This is a picture of a child's image of God.



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A. Pick one thing from this picture which suggests that it is based on an image of God.

_____ (2 marks)

B. State two things this image shows about the child's understanding of God.

i. _____

ii. _____

_____ (4 marks)

C. Give one other example of an image of God.

_____ (4 marks)

Question 3. This is a photograph of a person performing a religious ritual.



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A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which suggests that this person is performing a religious ritual.

_____ (2 marks)

B. State **two** reasons why people perform religious rituals.

i. _____

ii. _____

_____ (4 marks)

C. Give **one** other example of a religious ritual.

_____ (4 marks)

Question 4. This is a photograph of a religious symbol.



Saint Mary's Press

A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which suggests that this is a religious symbol.

_____ (2 marks)

B. With which **one** of the following world religions is this symbol most associated? (Tick ✓ the correct box)

- BUDDHISM CHRISTIANITY HINDUISM
- ISLAM JUDAISM

(2 marks)

C. Give **two** reasons why people use symbols when they are praying.

i. _____

ii. _____

_____ (6 marks)

SECTION 3

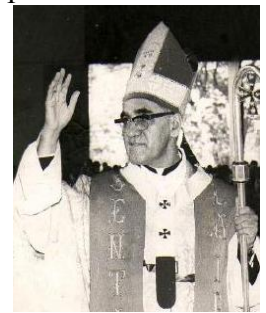
(50 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 15 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

READ THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE AND ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

Oscar Romero was appointed head of the Roman Catholic Church in El Salvador at a time when it was a place of great poverty and suffering for many people. The wealth of the country was controlled by a small number of people who were supported by the army. Many attempts to improve the conditions of the poor were put down by violence. Oscar Romero felt called to follow the example of Jesus and speak out on behalf of the poor. Whenever he saw that the human rights of people were not being respected, he spoke out and demanded explanations from the government. He encouraged public protests against injustice and urged people to protest peacefully saying “only evil profits by murder”. Oscar Romero used his position as a church leader to tell the world about what was happening in his country. He opened his home to people who were trying to get away from the violence and allowed a radio station to be set up in the office of the cathedral. This radio station made it possible for people, all over the country, to listen each week to the sermons Oscar Romero preached about the rights of the poor.

His sermons were often critical of the government and gave comfort to the people who were suffering because of the injustice and violence in the country. Oscar Romero knew that his life was being put at risk by speaking out against injustice. He said “my life has been threatened many times... I am obliged to give my life for those I love ...for the people of El Salvador.” On March 23rd 1980 Oscar Romero used the radio broadcast of his sermon to appeal for all those involved in violence to stop the killing in El Salvador. The day after he made this appeal Oscar Romero was shot dead by a gunman while celebrating the Eucharist.



Source: Octavio Duran

Adapted from www.cafod.org.uk and Veritas Publications

1. Outline how this article shows what is meant by **one** of the following terms:

● MARTYRDOM

● MISSION

(12 marks)

2. Describe **another** example of how *either* martyrdom *or* mission can be seen in a community of faith that you have studied.

(15 marks)

3. a. ♦ BUDDHISM ♦ CHRISTIANITY ♦ HINDUISM ♦ ISLAM ♦ JUDAISM

Oscar Romero is one example of a person whose faith has inspired others.

Name **another** person, associated with one of the world religions listed above, whose faith has inspired others. _____

(5 marks)

b. Outline how the religious faith of the person you have named above can be seen in an event from his/her life.

(18 marks)

SECTION 4

(200 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 55 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

YOU MUST ANSWER FOUR OF THE FOLLOWING SIX QUESTIONS.

(All questions carry 50 marks each)

Question 1. COMMUNITIES OF FAITH

A. a. Name **one** religious leader associated with a community of faith in Ireland.

_____ (5 marks)

b. Describe **one** example of the work done by a religious leader in a community of faith in Ireland.

(15 marks)

B. a. ● COMMITMENT ● PREACHING

Describe what is meant by each of the above terms in a community of faith.

(12 marks)

b. Explain **two** reasons why *either* commitment *or* preaching is important for the members of a community of faith.

i.

ii.

(18 marks)

Question 2. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION – CHRISTIANITY

A. Examine the way in which the Jewish religion was structured in Palestine at the time of Jesus.

(16 marks)

B. a. Describe **two** difficulties the first Christians faced after the death of Jesus.

i.

ii.

(18 marks)

b. Outline **one** way in which the first Christians dealt with the difficulties they faced after the death of Jesus.

(16 marks)

Question 3. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION – MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS

A. Tick ✓ **one** of the following world religions that you have studied:

BUDDHISM HINDUISM ISLAM JUDAISM

a. Describe **one** example of the teaching of the founder / earliest followers of the world religion you have ticked above.

(12 marks)

b. Outline how the teaching of the founder / earliest followers influences the way members live today, in the world religion you have ticked above.

(15 marks)

B. a. Each world religion has gone through a time of growth after it first began. Name *either one person or one group* who played an important part in the growth of the major world religion you have ticked above. _____

(5 marks)

- b. Outline the way in which *either* a person *or* a group played an important part in the growth of the major world religion you have ticked above.

(18 marks)

Question 4. THE QUESTION OF FAITH

- A. Some experiences in life can give a person a sense of awe and wonder -

The beauty of nature...



The power of nature...



The birth of a child...

Outline how an experience in life could make a person wonder and ask questions about the meaning of life.

(16 marks)

B. a. Explain **two** reasons why reflection is important for a person when searching for the meaning of life.

i.

ii.

(16 marks)

b. In searching for answers to questions about the meaning of life people sometimes turn to – ● FAMILY ● FRIENDS ● MUSIC ● WORK

Choose **two** of the above and explain how each can help people to find answers in their search for the meaning of life.

i.

ii.

(18 marks)

Question 5. THE CELEBRATION OF FAITH

A. *Lough Derg, Co. Donegal is a place of religious importance for members of a community of faith in Ireland.*



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a. Name **one** other place in Ireland of importance for members of a community of faith.

_____ (5 marks)

b. Explain **two** reasons why the place you have named above has importance for a community of faith.

i. _____

ii. _____

(12 marks)

c. Describe **one** example of the way in which people worship in the place you have named above.

(15 marks)

B. COMMUNICATING EXPERIENCE ENCOUNTERING MYSTERY

Tick ✓ **one** of the above and describe an example of how it can be seen in an act of worship that you have participated in or observed.

(18 marks)

Question 6. THE MORAL CHALLENGE

A. Outline the understanding of forgiveness found in the teaching of a major world religion that you have studied.

(18 marks)

B. a. Explain **two** reasons why reconciliation is seen as important by members of a world religion.

i.

ii.

(16 marks)

b. Describe **one** way in which a world religion offers its members an opportunity for reconciliation.

(16 marks)

SECTION 5

(70 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 20 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

YOU MUST ANSWER **ONE** OF THE FOLLOWING SIX QUESTIONS.

(All questions carry 70 marks each)

Question 1.

The principal of a local primary school has asked you to talk to the 6th class pupils about the importance of inter-faith dialogue for communities of faith. Outline the points that you could develop in the talk you would give using the following headings:

- i. The benefits of inter-faith dialogue.
- ii. The challenges associated with inter-faith dialogue.

Question 2.

● MESSIAH ● NEW CREATION

Examine **one** of the above titles for Jesus referring to the following points:

- i. The meaning of the title for the Jewish people at the time of Jesus.
- ii. The new understanding of Jesus seen in the use of the title by the first Christians.

Question 3.

◆ BUDDHISM ◆ HINDUISM ◆ ISLAM ◆ JUDAISM

Imagine that you have been asked to write an article about the religious practice of members in **one** of the above major world religions. Outline the points that you would make in your article referring to the religious practice of early followers and members today.

Question 4.

● ADOLESCENT FAITH ● MATURE FAITH

Outline the main characteristics of each of the above stages of faith development using the following headings:

- i. Relationship with God/the Divine.
- ii. Main Influences on Faith.

Question 5.

◆ BUDDHISM ◆ CHRISTIANITY ◆ HINDUISM ◆ ISLAM ◆ JUDAISM

Discuss the importance of communal prayer for members of **one** of the above major world religions using the following headings:

- i. Place of Prayer.
- ii. Time of Prayer.

Question 6.

Profile the way in which a person's judgement of right and wrong can develop as he/she grows from moral immaturity to moral maturity.

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