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ORDINARY LEVEL
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MARKING
SCHEME

Marking Scheme

Candidates must answer **TEN** of the following twenty questions.

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| 1 | 1 | <p>Polytheism is _____</p> <p>An excellent answer will show an accurate understanding of polytheism as the belief that there is more than one God.</p> | 8 |
| 1 | 2 | <p>Muhammad is a key person in the founding story of which one of the following world religions – (Tick ✓ the correct box) Buddhism <input type="checkbox"/> Islam <input type="checkbox"/> Judaism <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>An excellent answer will show knowledge of the founding story of Islam by accurately identifying ‘Islam’ as the answer relevant to the question.</p> | 8 |
| 1 | 3 | <p>In religious traditions ‘sin’ means _____</p> <p>An excellent answer will show an understanding of moral failure by accurately describing sin as something morally wrong that damages a person’s relationship with God.</p> | 8 |
| 1 | 4 | <p>One group of Jewish religious leaders at the time of Jesus were the – (Tick ✓ the correct box) Centurions <input type="checkbox"/> Governors <input type="checkbox"/> Pharisees <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>An excellent answer will show an understanding of the context into which Jesus was born by accurately identifying ‘Pharisees’ as the answer relevant to the question.</p> | 8 |
| 1 | 5 | <p>In religious traditions an ‘icon’ is _____</p> <p>An excellent answer will show an understanding of the power and meaning of religious symbols by accurately stating that an icon is a symbolic painting depicting a religious figure which captures a deep religious truth that is painted in a traditional way to enable worshippers to communicate with the Divine.</p> | 8 |
| 1 | 6 | <p>The Romans had political power in Palestine at the time of Jesus. (Tick ✓ the correct box) True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>An excellent answer will show an understanding of the context into which Jesus was born by accurately identifying ‘True’ as the answer relevant to the question.</p> | 8 |
| 1 | 7 | <p>An example of a religious moral code is _____</p> <p>An excellent answer will show an ability to describe a religious moral code by accurately identifying one example of a moral code taken from a religious tradition.</p> | 8 |

- 1 8 **A world religion that is an example of monotheism is _____** 8
An excellent answer will show an ability to identify evidence of religious belief by accurately identifying a monotheistic world religion.
- 1 9 **The Gospel of John is a synoptic gospel. (Tick ✓ the correct box) True False** 8
An excellent answer will show knowledge of the development of the gospels from oral tradition to written word by accurately identifying 'False' as the answer relevant to the question.
- 1 10 **In religious traditions 'mission' means _____** 8
An excellent answer will show an understanding of how people of faith show their vision and commitment by describing mission as an activity engaged in by members of a community of faith to serve God and others.
- 1 11 **The Eightfold Path is most associated with which one of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box) Buddhism Hinduism Islam** 8
An excellent answer will show an ability to identify the essential elements of a world religion by accurately identifying 'Buddhism' as the answer relevant to the question.
- 1 12 **In the Christian tradition Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples after the death and resurrection of Jesus. (Tick ✓ the correct box) True False** 8
An excellent answer will show an awareness of the emerging development of the first Christian communities by accurately identifying 'True' as the answer relevant to the question.
- 1 13 **Archbishop Diarmuid Martin is a leader associated with which Christian denomination in Ireland? _____** 8
An excellent answer will show knowledge of the churches in Ireland today by accurately identifying Roman Catholicism as the denomination with which Archbishop Diarmuid Martin is associated.
- 1 14 **The Menorah is most associated with which one of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box) Buddhism Islam Judaism** 8
An excellent answer will show an ability to identify the essential elements of a world religion by accurately identifying 'Judaism' as the answer relevant to the question.

- 1 15 **In searching for the meaning of life ‘reflection’ means _____** 8
An excellent answer will show awareness of the facility for questioning as an essential human characteristic by accurately describing reflection as a human characteristic that involves the insight a person gains from thinking / becoming aware of his or her feelings and actions.
- 1 16 **A person uses his/her conscience to _____** 8
An excellent answer will show knowledge of the meaning of conscience by accurately describing how a person uses his/her conscience to come to an understanding of the difference between right and wrong in making a moral decision.
- 1 17 **Read the list of sacred texts and the list of world religions given below. One sacred text has been matched to the religion with which it is most associated as an example for you. Make one other match.** 8
An excellent answer will match The Koran/Qur'an to Islam; The Vedas to Hinduism; The Hebrew Scriptures/Tenakh to Judaism; The Three Baskets/Tripitaka to Buddhism.
- 1 18 **In religious traditions ‘vocation’ means _____** 8
An excellent answer will show an understanding of how members of a community of faith show their commitment by describing vocation as a calling to serve God and others.
- 1 19 **Baptism is one example of a Christian sacrament.** 8
Name another Christian sacrament _____
An excellent answer will show familiarity with the Christian understandings of sacrament by accurately naming one Christian sacrament other than Baptism.
- 1 20 **A belief in reincarnation is important in which one of the following world religions – (Tick ✓ the correct box) Hinduism Islam Judaism** 8
An excellent answer will show an ability to identify the essential elements of a world religion by accurately identifying ‘Hinduism’ as the answer relevant to the question.

Candidates must answer **THREE** of the following four questions.

Question 1. This is a photograph of a religious sister serving the needs of others.

- 2 1 A **Pick one thing from the photograph which shows that this religious sister is serving the needs of others.** 6

An excellent answer will recognise a characteristic of a community by accurately identifying one human need that is being served by the religious sister in this photograph.

- 2 1 B **Name one example of a community.** 6

An excellent answer will show an ability to recognise different types of communities by accurately identifying one example of a community.

- 2 1 C **Suggest one reason why people need to be part of a community.** 8

An excellent answer will recognise the characteristics of communities by suggesting one accurate reason which accounts for the human need to live in a community.

Question 2. This drawing is based on the Last Supper.

- 2 2 A **Pick one thing from the drawing which shows that this is the Last Supper.** 6

An excellent answer will show an understanding of the Last Supper as a meal in the Passover tradition by accurately identifying one thing from the drawing which shows that it is based on the Last Supper.

- 2 2 B **On which of the following days of the week did Jesus celebrate the Last Supper?** 6
(Tick ✓ the correct box) Wednesday Thursday Friday

An excellent answer will show an understanding of the Last Supper as a meal in the Passover tradition by correctly identifying 'Thursday' as the answer relevant to the question.

- 2 2 C **Give one reason why the Last Supper was important for the first Christians.** 8

An excellent answer will show knowledge of the first Christian communities by giving one accurate reason why the Last Supper was important for the first Christians.

Question 3. This photograph shows an example of stewardship.

- 2 3 A **Pick one thing from the photograph which shows that this is an example of stewardship.** 6

An excellent answer will show knowledge of a religious understanding of stewardship by accurately identifying one example of stewardship from the photograph.

- 2 3 B **What is stewardship?** 6

An excellent answer will show knowledge of a religious understanding of stewardship, by accurately identifying stewardship as an individual's responsibility to care for life in all its forms because of his / her religious beliefs.

- 2 3 C **Describe another example of stewardship.** 8

An excellent answer will show knowledge of a religious understanding of stewardship, by accurately giving another example of stewardship as an individual's responsibility to care for life in all its forms because of his / her religious beliefs.

Question 4. This is a photograph of people practising their religion.

- 2 4 A **Pick one thing from this photograph which shows that these people are practising their religion.** 6

An excellent answer will show an understanding of religious practice by accurately identifying one thing from the photograph which suggests that this is an example of religious practice.

- 2 4 B **State another way in which people can practise their religion.** 6

An excellent answer will show an understanding of religious practice by accurately stating one other way in which people can practise their religion.

- 2 4 C **Describe one thing that can influence the way in which people practise their religion.** 8

An excellent answer will give an accurate account of one thing that can influence the way in which people practise their religion.

**Ordinary Level Paper Section 3
Marking Scheme**

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Candidates must answer **ALL** of the following questions.

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| 3 | 1 | <p>From your reading of this interview describe two ways in which Dara’s family was affected by the robbery.</p> <p>An excellent answer will show an understanding of the consequences of actions by giving an accurate account from the interview of two effects the robbery had on Dara’s family.</p> | 16 |
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| 3 | 2 | <p>Outline two ways in which religious faith influenced how Dara’s grandmother reacted to the robbery.</p> <p>An excellent answer will show knowledge of how a religious moral vision can influence believers by giving accurate information on two ways in which the faith of Dara’s grandmother influenced her reaction to the robbery.</p> | 20 |
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| 3 | 3a | <p>In a religious tradition what does ‘forgiveness’ mean?</p> <p>An excellent answer will show an understanding of forgiveness in a religious tradition by accurately describing how forgiveness involves showing pardon, mercy or compassion.</p> | 8 |
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| 3 | 3b | <p>Outline one way in which forgiveness can be seen in this interview.</p> <p>An excellent answer will show an understanding of forgiveness by giving accurate information on one way in which this interview demonstrates forgiveness as pardoning, showing mercy or compassion.</p> | 16 |
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- 4 1 A a **Hatred of another person because of his/her religion is –** 8
(Tick ✓ the correct box) Ecumenism Humanism Sectarianism
 An excellent answer will show an understanding of sectarianism as hatred of another because of his/her religion, by ticking sectarianism as the correct answer.
- 4 1 A b **Describe one example of people being in conflict because of their religion.** 10
 An excellent answer will show an understanding of sectarianism as hatred of another because of his/her religion by giving an accurate account of one example of sectarianism from Ireland or elsewhere.
- 4 1 B a **Describe one example of people working to build respect for the beliefs of others.** 10
 An excellent answer will show an understanding of the importance of respecting the beliefs of others by giving an accurate account of one example of people working to build respect for the beliefs of others.
- 4 1 B b **Give two reasons why people work to build respect for the beliefs of others.** 12
 An excellent answer will show an understanding of the importance of respecting the beliefs of others by giving two accurate reasons why people work to build respect for the beliefs of others.
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- 4 2 A a **These headlines might have appeared in Palestine at the time of Jesus.** 8
Tick ✓ one of the following headlines and name one event from the life of Jesus which it could describe.
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| <i>Jesus welcomes
sinners</i> | <i>Jesus treats
women as equals</i> | <i>Jesus says
the poor are blessed</i> | <i>Love your enemies
says Jesus</i> |
| <i>The Galilee Gazette</i> | <i>-The Bethlehem Bulletin</i> | <i>- The Nazareth News</i> | <i>- The Jerusalem Journal</i> |
- An excellent answer will show knowledge of the characteristics of the Kingdom of God, as preached by Jesus, by accurately naming an event from the life of Jesus which one of the above headlines could be describing.
- 4 2 A b **Describe what happened in the event from the life of Jesus which you have named above.** 10
 An excellent answer will show knowledge of characteristics of the Kingdom of God, as preached by Jesus, by setting out the main points of information on one event from the life of

Jesus named in part 2 A. a. above which shows a characteristic of the Kingdom of God.

- 4 2 B **Explain why people were surprised by what Jesus said about the Kingdom of God.** 12

An excellent answer will show knowledge of characteristics of the Kingdom of God by giving accurate reason/s why people were surprised by what Jesus said about the Kingdom of God.

- 4 2 C **Describe one situation where religious leaders were in conflict with Jesus because of what he said about the Kingdom of God.** 10

An excellent answer will show knowledge of a moment of conflict in the life of Jesus by giving an accurate account of one occasion when Jesus was in conflict with religious leaders because of what he said about the Kingdom of God.

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- 4 3 A a **Choose one of the following world religions you have studied.** 8

(Tick ✓ one box) Buddhism Hinduism Islam Judaism

Name one place of pilgrimage that is most associated with the world religion you have ticked above.

An excellent answer will show knowledge of the beliefs and symbols of a major world religion by accurately naming a place of pilgrimage associated with the world religion ticked above.

- 4 3 A b **Describe what can be seen in the place of pilgrimage you have named above.** 10

An excellent answer will show knowledge of the beliefs and symbols of a major world religion by giving an accurate account of what can be seen in the place of pilgrimage named above.

- 4 3 B **Give two reasons why people go on pilgrimage to the place you have named above.** 12

An excellent answer will show knowledge of the beliefs and symbols of a major world religion, by giving two accurate reasons why a person might go on pilgrimage to the place the candidate has named above.

- 4 3 C **Choose one of the following places of worship that is most associated with the world religion you have studied. (Tick ✓ one box) Mandir /Temple – Hinduism** 10

Mosque – Islam Synagogue – Judaism Temple – Buddhism

Describe what can be seen in the place of worship you have ticked above.

An excellent answer will show knowledge of the beliefs and symbols of a major world religion, by giving an accurate account of what may be seen in the place of worship the candidate has ticked above.

- 4 4 A ***And your God is one God! There is no god but He.* Explain how this prayer is an example of monotheism.** 10
- An excellent answer will show an understanding of religious belief by giving one or more accurate reasons why this prayer is an example of monotheism.
- 4 4 B a **Describe two things that are typical of a child's faith.** 18
- An excellent answer will show an ability to differentiate between the faith of a child and that of an adult by giving an accurate account of two characteristics of childhood faith.
- 4 4 B b **Describe one thing that is typical of mature faith.** 12
- An excellent answer will show an ability to differentiate between the faith of a child and that of an adult by giving an accurate account of one characteristic of mature faith.
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- 4 5 A a **World religions have special seasons and days of the year which are of religious importance for their members. Name one special season or day of the year that has importance for members of a world religion you have studied.** 8
- An excellent answer will show knowledge of a time which has religious significance for a world religion by accurately naming one special season or day of the year that has importance for members of a world religion studied for Junior Certificate Religious Education.
- 4 5 A b **Give one reason why the time you have named above is important for members of the world religion with which it is associated.** 12
- An excellent answer will show an understanding of how particular times come to have religious significance by giving one accurate reason why the time named above is important for members of the world religion.
- 4 5 B a **Name one religious ceremony which marks the importance of *either* a special season *or* day of the year in a world religion you have studied.** 8
- An excellent answer will show knowledge of the place of sign and symbol in religious traditions by accurately identifying one religious ceremony which marks the importance of a special season *or* day of the year in a world religion.
- 4 5 B b **Outline what happens in the religious ceremony you have named above.** 12
- An excellent answer will show knowledge of the place of sign and symbol in religious traditions by setting out accurate information on the religious ceremony named above.
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- 4 6 A a **In a religious tradition what does ‘justice’ mean?** 8
- An excellent answer will show an understanding of a religious moral vision by accurately describing how in a religious tradition justice involves bringing about what is right or fair.
- 4 6 A b **Describe one situation where people need to work for justice.** 10
- An excellent answer will show an understanding of the implications of a religious moral vision by giving an accurate account of one situation where people need to work for what is right or fair.
- 4 6 B a **Tick ✓ one of the world religions listed below that you have studied. Buddhism 10
Christianity Hinduism Islam Judaism Outline two things members of a world religion could do to work for justice in the situation you have described above.**
- An excellent answer will show an understanding of the implications of a religious moral vision by giving accurate information on two ways in which members of a world religion could work to bring about what is right or fair in the situation described above.
- 4 6 B b **Outline one reason why members of the world religion you have ticked above would work for justice.** 12
- An excellent answer will show an understanding of the meaning and implications of a religious moral vision by giving accurate information on one reason why members of the world religion identified above would work for justice.
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