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NATIONAL
QUALIFICATIONS
2008

WEDNESDAY, 28 MAY
1.00 PM – 2.45 PM

RELIGIOUS STUDIES
STANDARD GRADE
Credit Level

Instructions to the Candidate

Answer Section A (Christianity)

and

Section E (Issues of Belief and Morality)

and

One other Section (B or C or D)



SECTION A—CHRISTIANITY

Marks

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1. (a)

An angel of the Lord appeared to him, . . . When Zechariah saw him, he was alarmed and felt afraid.
Luke 1:11,12

Explain what happened next to Elizabeth **and** Mary.

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(b) “It is important for Christians to believe that the stories of the Incarnation actually took place.”

How far do you agree?

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2. (a) Explain fully **three** practices that happen **inside** a Church at Easter.

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(b) “The world needs the Easter message more than ever.”

Do you agree?

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[END OF SECTION A]

SECTION B—HINDUISM

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3. (a) Describe fully **two** of the four stages of life.

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(b) There are four paths to Moksha.

To what extent do the paths help Hindus get closer to their ultimate goal?

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4. (a) Describe what happens at a Hindu marriage ceremony.

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(b) “A Hindu should only marry a Hindu.”

To what extent would a Hindu agree with this statement?

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[END OF SECTION B]

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SECTION C—ISLAM

Marks

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5. (a)

Read, for your Lord is most Generous,
Who teaches by means of the Pen.
Surah 96:3,4

Explain fully the events of the Revelation.

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(b) “Reading the Qur’an is the most important part of being a Muslim.”

To what extent would a Muslim agree with this statement?

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6. (a) Describe what happens at a Muslim marriage ceremony.

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(b) “A Muslim should only marry a Muslim.”

To what extent would a Muslim agree with this statement?

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[END OF SECTION C]

SECTION D—JUDAISM

Marks

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7. (a)

You will be my chosen people. Exodus 19:5

Explain fully what being God’s chosen people means for Jews.

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(b) To what extent is keeping Shabbat important for Jews today?

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8. (a) Describe what happens at a Jewish marriage ceremony.

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(b) “A Jewish person should only marry a Jewish person.”
To what extent would a Jewish person agree with this statement?

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[END OF SECTION D]

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SECTION E—ISSUES OF BELIEF AND MORALITY

Marks

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9. (a) “I make up my own mind. No one influences my beliefs.”

What might influence a person’s beliefs?

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(b) “Belief in life after death gives life meaning.”

How far do you agree with this statement?

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10. (a) Explain fully why a woman might want an abortion.

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(b) “A foetus has the same rights as any other human.”

How far do you agree with this statement?

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