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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **ONE** question from each of the **four** sections.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
 - there may be more space than you need.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
 - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.
- Questions labelled with an asterisk (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
 - you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression, on these questions.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.





SECTION 1 – BELIEFS AND VALUES

You must answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

1 (a) What is **Om**? (2)

(b) Does it help to think of God as female?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why karma is important for Hindus.

(8)

(d) "Krishna is the supreme Lord."

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

(3)

(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)

OR

2 (a) Who is Vishnu?

(2)

(b) Do you think all living creatures have a soul? Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why samsara is important for Hindus.

(8)

(d) "Moksha should be the goal of life for everyone."

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

(3)

(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)

Indicate which question you are answering by marking the box \boxtimes . If you change your mind, put a line through the box \boxtimes and then indicate your new question with a cross \boxtimes . Question 2 Chosen question number: **Question 1** Write your answer here:

(d) (i)			
(ii)	 	 	

SECTION 2 – COMMUNITY AND TRADITION

You must answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

3 (a) What is a **brahmin**?

(2)

(b) Do you think the Bhagavad Gita is the most important book for Hindus? Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why shruti writings are important in Hinduism.

(8)

(d) "Hindus are right to have changed their attitudes to caste."

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

(3)

(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)

OR

4 (a) What is **Vaishnavism**?

(2)

(b) Do you think everyone needs the help of a guru? Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why ISKCON (The International Society for Krishna Consciousness) is important for some Hindus.

(8)

(d) "The best guidance for life is found in the Upanishads."

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

(3)

(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)



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(d) (i)			
(ii)	 	 	

SECTION 3 – WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION

You must answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

5 (a) What is **Varanasi**?

(2)

(b) Do you think festivals should be mainly for fun? Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why many Hindus want to go on pilgrimage.

(8)

(d) "You do not need a temple to worship God."

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(3)

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

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(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

OR

6 (a) What is darshan?

(2)

(b) Should Ayodhya matter to Hindus more than any other place of pilgrimage? Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why symbols are used in Hindu worship.

(8)

(d) "The Ganges is the gateway to moksha."

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

(3)

(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 6 = 20 marks)



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(d) (i)			
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SECTION 4 – LIVING THE HINDU LIFE

You must answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

7 (a) What is **cremation**?

(2)

(b) Do you think self-discipline is the most important part of a young person's education?

Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why **one** Hindu organisation helps to relieve suffering in the UK.

(8)

(d) "The sannyasa ashrama is the most important stage of life."

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

(3)

(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 7 = 20 marks)

OR

8 (a) What is **Shraddha**?

(2)

(b) Do you think everyone should have a religious naming ceremony? Give **two** reasons for your point of view.

(4)

*(c) Explain why the grihastha ashrama is important in the Hindu way of life.

(8)

(d) "Karma yoga is the best way to moksha'.

In your answer you should refer to Hinduism.

(i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion.

(3)

(ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you.

(3)

(Total for Question 8 = 20 marks)



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	TOTAL FOR PAPER = 80 MARKS









