

Religious Studies
Advanced
PAPER 1: Philosophy of Religion

Total Marks

Time: 2 hours

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Text Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

There are THREE sections in this question paper. Answer ALL the questions in each section.

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.

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

SECTION A

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

- 1 Explore the contribution of symbol to debates about religious language.
(8 marks)**

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**2 Assess the strengths and weaknesses of ONE critique of religious belief.
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SECTION B

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Look at the text for Question 3 in the Text Booklet. Read the passage before answering the questions.

- 3 (a) Clarify the idea that the Believer's original assertion has 'died the death of a thousand qualifications'.**

You must refer to the passage in your response.
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**(b) Analyse the distinctive ideas contained in R M Hare's and Basil Mitchell's responses to Flew's use of the Parable of the Gardener.
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SECTION C

Write your answer in the space provided.

- 4 Evaluate the view that arguments for the existence of God can do no more than increase the probability of God's existence.**

In your response to this question, you must include how developments in Philosophy of Religion have been influenced by ONE of the following:

- **Religion and Ethics**
- **New Testament Studies**
- **Study of a Religion.**

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