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Edexcel GCSE

Religious Studies

Unit 2: Religion and life based on a study of Christianity

Monday 13 May 2013 – Morning
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference
5RS02/01

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

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 84.
- 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 on these questions with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*
- Questions in Section 1 are where your spelling, punctuation and grammar will be assessed. The total mark for spelling, punctuation and grammar will be 4.

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.

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SECTION 1 – BELIEVING IN GOD

You must answer **ONE** question from this section.

YOU WILL BE ASSESSED ON YOUR SPELLING, PUNCTUATION AND GRAMMAR IN THIS SECTION.

EITHER

- 1** (a) What is a **miracle**? (2)
- (b) Do you think unanswered prayers prove God does not exist?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain how the causation argument may lead to belief in God. (8)
- (d) "Natural evil is proof that God did not create the world."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for spelling, punctuation and grammar = 4 marks)

(Total for Question 1 = 24 marks)

OR

- 2** (a) What is meant by **moral evil**? (2)
- (b) Do you think miracles have happened?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why scientific explanations of how the world began may lead some people not to believe in God. (8)
- (d) "The media helps people to believe in God."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for spelling, punctuation and grammar = 4 marks)

(Total for Question 2 = 24 marks)



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SECTION 2 – MATTERS OF LIFE AND DEATH

You must answer **ONE** question from this section.

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- 3** (a) What is **abortion**? (2)
- (b) Do you think life after death is impossible?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why euthanasia is a controversial issue. (8)
- (d) "The media should not be allowed to criticise what religions say about matters of life and death."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (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 meant by **paranormal**? (2)
- (b) Do you think belief in life after death should affect the way Christians live their lives?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why some Christians accept abortion. (8)
- (d) "Euthanasia should never be allowed."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (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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SECTION 3 – MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY

You must answer ONE question from this section.

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- 5 (a) What is **faithfulness**? (2)
- (b) Do you think marriage is important?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why some Christians do not allow divorce. (8)
- (d) "Sex before marriage is always wrong."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

OR

- 6 (a) What is meant by a **nuclear family**? (2)
- (b) Do you think all Christians should accept homosexuality?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain how an issue arising from this section (marriage and the family) has been presented in one form of the media. (8)
- (d) "Attitudes to divorce have not really changed."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (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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SECTION 4 – RELIGION AND COMMUNITY COHESION

You must answer **ONE** question from this section.

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- 7 (a) What is meant by **sexism**? (2)
- (b) Do you think the government can prevent discrimination?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain how religions work to promote community cohesion. (8)
- (d) "Racial harmony is possible in the UK."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (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 meant by **interfaith marriages**? (2)
- (b) Do you think religious people should try to convert other people to their religion?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why the Church works to help people who are asylum seekers and/or
immigrant workers. (8)
- (d) "Religious people can achieve community cohesion."
In your answer you should refer to Christianity.
- (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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