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# Religious Studies

## Unit 14: Sikhism

Tuesday 7 June 2016 – Afternoon

**Time: 1 hour 30 minutes**

Paper Reference

**5RS14/01**

**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.*
- The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

### Advice

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

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## SECTION 1 – BELIEFS AND VALUES

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 **Ik onkar**? (2)
- (b) Do you think that God is the Teacher?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain why it is important for Sikhs to believe that women and men are equal. (8)
- (d) "Social justice has nothing to do with living a spiritual life."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (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 **karma**? (2)
- (b) Do you think that people should reject the caste system?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain why believing in rebirth is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) "The best human lives involve service to others."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (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 – COMMUNITY AND TRADITION

You must answer ONE question from this section.

**EITHER**

- 3** (a) What is a **granthi**? (2)
- (b) Do you think that Guru Nanak's visit to Tibet was important in the development of Sikhism?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain why the Adi Granth is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) "The river experience of Guru Nanak was the beginning of the Sikh religion."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (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) Who are the **panj piare**? (2)
- (b) Do you think a granthi is important?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain the main features of a gurdwara and the reasons for them. (8)
- (d) "Mecca was the most important of Guru Nanak's visits in the development of Sikhism."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (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 – WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION**

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

**EITHER**

- 5** (a) What is **karah parshad**? (2)
- (b) Do you think kirtan is important?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \* (c) Explain why the akhand path is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) "Sikhs should celebrate Diwali."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (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 **diwan**? (2)
- (b) Do you think pilgrimage to Amritsar is important?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \* (c) Explain why the amrit ceremony is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) "Langar is the most important part of worship."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

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## SECTION 4 – LIVING THE SIKH LIFE

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

**EITHER**

- 7 (a) What is a **kirpan**? (2)
- (b) Do you think it is easy to follow the Sikh way of life today?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \* (c) Explain why the Nishan Sahib is important for Sikhs. (8)
- (d) "Sikhism cannot exist without the panj kakke (five Ks)."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (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 **sewa**? (2)
- (b) Do you think every Sikh should support social and community cohesion?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \* (c) Explain why one Sikh organisation works to relieve poverty and/or suffering in the UK. (8)
- (d) "The Rahit Maryada needs to be updated."  
In your answer you should refer to Sikhism.
- (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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