

Religious Studies A
PAPER 1: Area of Study 1 – Study of
Religion
Option 1C – Islam

Total Marks

Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.

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YOU MUST HAVE

Nil

YOU WILL BE GIVEN

Nil

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer ALL questions.

**Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– there may be more space than you need.**

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INFORMATION

The total mark for this paper is 102.

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 use of specialist terminology.

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

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Try to answer every question.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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

Question 1: Beliefs and Teachings

- 1 (a) Outline THREE reasons the five roots of ‘Usul ad-Din are important for Shi’a communities today.
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**(b) Explain TWO purposes of the Six Beliefs of Islam.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO ways al-Qadr relates to the Day of Judgement.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
(5 marks)**

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In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

***(d) “Muslims should live life free from the worry of life after death.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- **refer to Muslim teachings**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 2: Practices

**2 (a) Outline THREE purposes of Khums.
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**(b) Explain TWO different ways Jihad is understood in Islam.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons the Shahadah is significant for Muslims.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
(5 marks)**

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(d) “Muslims are brought together by the Ten Obligatory Acts.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- **refer to Muslim teachings**
- **refer to different Muslim points of view**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 3: Sources of Wisdom and Authority

- 3 (a) Outline **THREE** reasons believing in Muhammad as the ‘seal of the prophets’ is important for Muslims. (3 marks)

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**(b) Explain TWO teachings about the
Hidden Imam.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons the family of Muhammad is important to Muslims.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
(5 marks)**

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In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

***(d) “The Hadith should be followed by all Muslims.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- **refer to Muslim teachings**
- **refer to different Muslim points of view**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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Question 4: Forms of Expression and Ways of Life

4 (a) Outline THREE Sufi practices.
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**(b) Explain TWO teachings of the teacher al-Ghazali.
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(c) Explain TWO different understandings of the use of music within Islam.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
(5 marks)**

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(d) “The mosque is only important to Muslims as a place of prayer.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- **refer to Muslim teachings**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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