

Religious Studies B  
PAPER 1: Area of Study 1 – Religion and Ethics  
Option 1B – Christianity

Total Marks
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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**

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer ALL questions.**

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

## **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.**

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**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.**

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

**Question 1: Christian Beliefs**

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**1 (a) Outline THREE Christian teachings about the Incarnation.  
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**(b) Explain TWO Christian beliefs about the creation of the universe.  
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**(c) Explain TWO issues the problem of evil may raise for Christians about the nature of God.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.**

**(5 marks)**

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**\*(d) “The three Persons of the Trinity make it easy to understand God.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

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

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## Question 2: Marriage and the Family

**2 (a) Outline THREE Christian teachings about sexual relationships.  
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**(b) Explain TWO Christian teachings about the equality of men and women in the family.  
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**(c) Explain TWO different Christian attitudes about the use of artificial contraception.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.**

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**(d) “Marriage is sacred.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

- **refer to Christian teachings**
- **refer to non-religious points of view**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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## Question 3: Living the Christian Life

**3 (a) Outline THREE Christian beliefs about sacraments.**  
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**(b) Explain TWO reasons why set prayers are important for many Christians.  
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**(c) Explain TWO Christian teachings about charity.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.**

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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) “Easter is the most important Christian festival.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

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

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## Question 4: Matters of Life and Death

**4 (a) Outline THREE Christian teachings about abortion. (3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO Christian teachings about the value of the universe.  
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**(c) Explain TWO Christian beliefs about euthanasia.**

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.**

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**(d) “Humans are God’s most important creation.”**

**Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.**

**In your response you should:**

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

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