

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

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

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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: Sikh Beliefs

- 1 (a) Outline THREE Sikh teachings about God as Karta Purakh.
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO reasons why uniting
with God is important.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO Sikh beliefs about the nature of rebirth.

**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) “Sewa is the best way a Sikh can become gurmukh.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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(Total for Question 1 = 27 marks)

Question 2: Marriage and the Family

- 2 (a) Outline **THREE** Sikh beliefs about contraception.
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**(b) Explain TWO Sikh teachings about gender prejudice.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons why marriage is important for most Sikhs.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
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(d) “All Sikhs should accept same-sex relationships.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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Question 3: Living the Sikh Life

- 3 (a) Outline **THREE** features of the akhand path.
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**(b) Explain TWO ways Vaisakhi is celebrated by Sikhs.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO purposes of langar for Sikhs.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
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***(d) “A Sikh needs to participate in the Amrit sanskar ceremony.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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Question 4: Matters of Life and Death

- 4 (a) Outline THREE Sikh responses to non-religious arguments against life after death.
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO Sikh beliefs that show human life is holy.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO Sikh teachings about the value of the universe.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
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(d) “Euthanasia is wrong.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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