

Paper Reference(s) 1RB0/3E
Pearson Edexcel Level 1/Level 2 GCSE (9–1)

Religious Studies B
PAPER 3: Area of Study 3 – Religion,
Philosophy and Social Justice
Option 3E – Hinduism

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.

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.

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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: Hindu Beliefs

- 1 (a) Outline THREE beliefs about the Purusharthas.
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO Hindu teachings
about maya.
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(c) Explain TWO Hindu beliefs about the nature of Brahman.

**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) “Murtis are the best way to understand the divine.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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Question 2: Philosophy of Religion

**2 (a) Outline THREE miracles found in Hindu scripture.
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO ways that Hindus might respond to the claim that visions are hallucinations.
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(c) Explain TWO ways that answered prayers may lead some Hindus to believe in God.

**In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.
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(d) “Numinous experiences are important.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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Question 3: Living the Hindu Life

**3 (a) Outline THREE features of bhajans.
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO ways Hindus might show care for the environment.
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(c) Explain TWO reasons why Hindus practise yoga.

**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) “Having different deities makes Hinduism easy to understand.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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Question 4: Equality

- 4 (a) Outline THREE Hindu teachings about discrimination.
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**(b) Explain TWO Hindu teachings about human rights.
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(c) Explain TWO Hindu teachings about religious freedom.

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

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(d) “Hindus should share wealth fairly.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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