

Religious Studies B
**PAPER 2: Area of Study 2 – Religion, Peace
and Conflict**
Option 2D – Buddhism

Total Marks

Tuesday 23 May 2023 – Afternoon

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.

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: Buddhist Beliefs

- 1 (a) Outline THREE of the six perfections.
(3 marks)**

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**(b) Explain TWO reasons why tathagatagarbha is important to Buddhists.
(4 marks)**

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- (c) Explain TWO reasons why dependent origination is important for Buddhists.**

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 Wheel of Life is the best way to explain the causes of suffering.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Buddhist teachings**
 - reach a justified conclusion.**
- (15 marks)**

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(Total for Question 1 = 27 marks)

Question 2: Crime and Punishment

- 2 (a) Outline **THREE** reasons Buddhists may believe justice is important for victims.
(3 marks)

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- (b) Explain TWO Buddhist attitudes towards the aims of punishment.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO ways Buddhists should treat criminals.

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

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- (d) “Because human beings perform evil actions, people will always suffer.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Buddhist teachings**
 - refer to non-religious points of view**
 - reach a justified conclusion.**
- (12 marks)**

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Question 3: Living the Buddhist Life

- 3 (a) Outline THREE Buddhist rituals related to death and mourning.
(3 marks)**

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- (b) Explain TWO reasons why Buddhists should perform puja in the home.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO reasons why Buddhists may recite mantras.

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) “Spending time on retreat is essential for Buddhists.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Buddhist teachings**
 - reach a justified conclusion.**
- (15 marks)**

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Question 4: Peace and Conflict

- 4 (a) Outline THREE ways Buddhists may respond to issues surrounding conflict. (3 marks)**

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- (b) Explain TWO Buddhist responses to non-religious attitudes to weapons of mass destruction.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO Buddhist teachings about war.

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

(5 marks)

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(d) “Being a pacifist is not possible.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

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

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