

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

Total Marks

Thursday 9 May 2024 – Morning

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.

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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.

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

Question 1: Christian Beliefs

- 1 (a) Outline THREE Christian teachings about salvation.
(3 marks)**

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- (b) Explain TWO possible Christian solutions to the problem of evil and suffering.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO reasons why the Incarnation is significant to Christians today.

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 Bible does not explain exactly how the universe was created.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

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

(15 marks)

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(Total for Question 1 = 27 marks)

Question 2: Marriage and the Family

2 (a) Outline THREE reasons why the family is important to Christians.
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**(b) Explain TWO Christian teachings about family planning.
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(c) Explain TWO Christian responses to non-religious attitudes towards marriage.

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

(5 marks)

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- (d) “All Christians should accept divorce and remarriage.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

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

(12 marks)

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Question 3: Living the Christian Life

3 (a) Outline THREE features of the work of Christian Aid.
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- (b) Explain TWO reasons why some Christians choose to worship without structure.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO reasons why Advent is important for most Christians.

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) “Christians should celebrate seven sacraments.”**

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

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

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Question 4: Matters of Life and Death

**4 (a) Outline THREE ways the Bible shows human life is special.
(3 marks)**

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- (b) Explain TWO Christian responses to the view that the universe can be used as a commodity.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO Christian beliefs that support the existence of a life after death.

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

(5 marks)

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(d) “No-one should be allowed to have an abortion.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

- **refer to Christian teachings**
- **refer to relevant ethical arguments**
- **reach a justified conclusion.**

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