

Total Marks

Religious Studies B

PAPER 2: Area of Study 2 – Religion, Peace and Conflict

Option 2B – Christianity

Thursday 16 May 2024 – 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: Christian Beliefs

- 1 (a) Outline THREE Christian beliefs about eschatology. (3 marks)**

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- (b) Explain TWO different ways the biblical accounts of Creation may be understood.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO theoretical solutions to the problem of evil used by 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) “The resurrection of Jesus is essential for Christians to understand the person of Jesus.”**

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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Question 2: Crime and Punishment

- 2 (a) Outline THREE Christian beliefs about why people suffer.
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- (b) Explain TWO Christian beliefs about the nature of justice.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO different Christian attitudes to the use of the death penalty.

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

(5 marks)

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(d) “Society must punish people who do wrong.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

- **refer to Christian teachings**
 - **reach a justified conclusion.**
- (12 marks)**

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(Total for Question 2 = 24 marks)

Question 3: Living the Christian Life

- 3 (a) Outline **THREE** ways Christians may celebrate Christmas.
(3 marks)

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- (b) Explain TWO reasons why some Christians only celebrate two sacraments.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO reasons why Christians may use the Lord's Prayer.

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) “It is important for all Christians to make a pilgrimage to Jerusalem.”**

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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Question 4: Peace and Conflict

- 4 (a) Outline **THREE** Christian beliefs about peace.
(3 marks)

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- (b) Explain TWO reasons Christians may oppose the use of weapons of mass destruction.
(4 marks)**

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(c) Explain TWO reasons why some Christians believe the Just War theory is important.

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

(5 marks)

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(d) “Conflict always causes violence.”

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you must:

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

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