

Paper Reference(s)

**4425/01**

# **London Examinations IGCSE**

## **Religious Studies**

Paper 1

Beliefs and Values

Tuesday 13 November 2007 – Morning

Time: 2 hours

**Materials required for examination**

Answer book (AB12)

**Items included with question papers**

Nil

### **Instructions to Candidates**

**Answer one question from Section A, one question from Section B, one question from Section C, one question from Section D and two questions from Section E.**

In the boxes on the answer book, write your centre number, candidate number, the subject title (Religious Studies), the paper reference (4425/01), your surname other names and signature.

Write your answers in the answer book. Make sure your answers to parts of questions are clearly numbered. Use additional sheets if necessary.

### **Information for Candidates**

The marks for individual questions and the parts of questions are shown in round brackets: e.g. (2).

There are 16 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 80.

There are 8 pages in this question paper. Any blank pages are indicated.

**Dictionaries may NOT be used in this examination.**

### **Advice to Candidates**

You should spend about 20 minutes on each question.

Write your answers clearly and in good English.

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**Section A: Human beings and their destiny**

**Answer ONE question from this section.**

**EITHER**

1. (a) What is the **commonality** of all living beings? (2)
- (b) Describe **either** a linear **or** a cyclical view of human existence. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe in determinism. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**OR**

2. (a) What is **immortality**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its beliefs about human destiny. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that sin is the root cause of human wrongdoing. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION A: 15 MARKS**

**Section B: The meaning and purpose of life**

**Answer ONE question from this section.**

**EITHER**

3. (a) What is **polytheism**? (2)
- (b) Outline non-religious ideas about the meaning of life. (5)
- (c) Explain how the appearance of causation in the world may lead to, or support, belief in God. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**OR**

4. (a) What does it mean to say the world has been **designed**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the sanctity of life. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people do not believe that God is omniscient. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION B: 15 MARKS**

**Section C: Marriage, family life and human relationships**

**Answer ONE question from this section.**

**EITHER**

5. (a) What is **divorce**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about promiscuity. (5)
- (c) Explain why religious people should support the rights of children. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**OR**

6. (a) What is **genetic engineering**? (2)
- (b) Outline non-religious responses to changing attitudes to relationships between the sexes. (5)
- (c) Explain how the different generations within the family have different responsibilities towards each other. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION C: 15 MARKS**

**Section D: Relationships with other people**

**Answer ONE question from this section.**

**EITHER**

7. (a) What is **freedom of religion**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about compassion. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe there is gender bias in religion. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**OR**

8. (a) Give one example of practical **generosity**. (2)
- (b) Outline ways in which people can work to overcome racism. (5)
- (c) Explain why many religious people welcome religious pluralism. (8)

**(Total 15 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION D: 15 MARKS**

## Section E

Answer TWO questions from this section.

**9. 'Human beings should always treat animals well.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**10. 'God has already decided our fate.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**11. 'Nobody can be sure that God exists.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**12. 'Religious people cannot explain why there is suffering in the world.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**13. 'There is no reason why non-religious people should be concerned about the breakdown of marriage.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**14. 'Parents cannot bring up children properly without the help of a religious community.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**15. 'Religious people obviously do not care about human rights.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**16. 'Charity creates more problems than it solves.'**

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

**(Total 10 marks)**

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION E: 20 MARKS**

**TOTAL FOR PAPER: 80 MARKS**

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