

Paper Reference(s)

4425/01

London Examinations IGCSE

Religious Studies

Paper 1

Beliefs and Values

Tuesday 11 November 2008 – Afternoon

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 meant by a **cyclical** view of human existence? (2)
- (b) Outline religious beliefs about predestination. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that human beings are responsible for hatred and selfishness in the world. (8)
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- (Total 15 marks)**

OR

2. (a) What is the **universe**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the nature of human beings. (5)
- (c) Explain why some religious people believe that their actions affect what happens to them when they die. (8)
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- (Total 15 marks)**

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 **salvation**? (2)
- (b) Describe a religious conversion experience. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that there is more than one god. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

4. (a) What is God's **benevolence**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its attitudes towards abortion. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people are atheists. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B: 15 MARKS

Section C: Sexuality, marriage and family life

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

5. (a) What is **promiscuity**? (2)
- (b) Outline changes that are taking place in the nature of family life. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that men and women should not have the same status within marriage. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

6. (a) What is **heterosexuality**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its attitudes to divorce. (5)
- (c) Explain why some religious people are opposed to contraception. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C: 15 MARKS

Section D: Relationships with other people

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

7. (a) What is **proselytisation**? (2)
- (b) Outline, with examples, the growth of equal rights for women. (5)
- (c) Explain why the right to practise, or not to practise, a religion is an important human right. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

8. (a) What is **justice**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its attitudes to religious inclusivism. (5)
- (c) Explain, using examples, how religious people can work to overcome prejudice and discrimination. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION D: 15 MARKS

Section E

Answer TWO questions from this section.

9. ‘Economic development is more important than global warming.’

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)

10. ‘There is no such thing as freewill.’

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)

11. ‘Life has no purpose for non-religious people.’

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)

12. ‘God cannot be omnipotent.’

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)

13. ‘Religious people should not cohabit.’

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)

14. ‘All forms of genetic engineering to support successful conception should be banned.’

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)

15. 'A multi-ethnic society creates more problems than benefits.'

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)

16. 'Religious people should only be expected to help members of their own religious communities.'

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)

TOTAL FOR SECTION E: 20 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 80 MARKS

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