

Paper Reference(s)

4425/01

London Examinations IGCSE

Religious Studies

Paper 1

Beliefs and Values

Wednesday 11 November 2009 – 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 the **commonality** of all living beings? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the causes of moral evil in the world. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that human beings are immortal. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

2. (a) What is meant by a **linear** view of time? (2)
- (b) Outline **two** differing ideas about how far human beings can exercise freewill. (5)
- (c) Explain why religious people believe that it is wrong to be cruel to animals. (8)

(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 **polytheism**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about euthanasia. (5)
- (c) Explain how the appearance of design in the world may lead to, or support, belief in God. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

4. (a) What is God's **omniscience**? (2)
- (b) Outline non-religious ideas about the meaning and purpose of life. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people reject monotheism. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

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 **adultery**? (2)
- (b) Outline non-religious attitudes to the breakdown of marriage. (5)
- (c) Explain why some religious people are opposed to celibacy. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

6. (a) Give **two** examples of the **rights of children**. (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the purposes of human sexuality. (5)
- (c) Explain how religious communities can help to keep families together. (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 racial **prejudice**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline **two** differing attitudes in that religion towards the followers of other religions. (5)
- (c) Explain why there may need to be limitations on freedom of speech. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

8. (a) What is meant by the **status** of men or women in a religious community? (2)
- (b) Describe **one** example of practical generosity to the poor within a religious community. (5)
- (c) Explain why religious people should work to overcome racism. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION D: 15 MARKS

Section E

Answer TWO questions from this section.

9. 'No sensible person believes in an afterlife.'

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. 'Human beings are incapable of caring for the planet properly.'

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. 'Human experience shows that God must be benevolent.'

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. 'Only atheists see the truth about the universe.'

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. 'There is nothing wrong with pre-marital sex.'

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. 'We should just ignore religious objections to contraception.'

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. 'Religion stands in the way of equal rights for women.'

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. 'The right to freedom of religion matters more than any other human right.'

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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