

Paper Reference(s)

4425/02

London Examinations IGCSE

Religious Studies

Paper 2

The Religious Community

Monday 5 May 2008 – Afternoon

Time: 1 hour

Materials required for examination

Answer book (AB08)

Items included with question papers

Nil

Instructions to Candidates

Answer **two** questions. The questions chosen may be about one religion or about two different religions.

In the boxes on the answer book, write your centre number, candidate number, the subject title (Religious Studies), the paper reference (4425/02), 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 answer 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 30 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 40.

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 30 minutes on each question.

Write your answers clearly and in good English.

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Answer any TWO questions

Buddhism

1. (a) Outline Buddhist rituals associated with death. (10)

(b) Explain why ordination is important in Buddhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

2. (a) Describe the role of lay people in Buddhism. (10)

(b) Explain why Buddhist teaching is made up of three baskets. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

3. (a) Describe the guidance given in the Noble Eightfold Path about right thought. (10)

(b) Explain why the rules of the Vinaya are so numerous. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

4. (a) Describe the Parinibbana of the Buddha. (10)

(b) Explain why the Buddha's experience of the four sights was so important. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

5. (a) Outline the experiences of the Buddha at Bodh Gaya. (10)

(b) Explain why Kapilavastu is important in Buddhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Christianity

6. (a) Outline what takes place at a Christian funeral. (10)

(b) Explain why rites of passage are important in Christianity. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

7. (a) Describe **two** different Christian attitudes towards the authority of the Bible. (10)

(b) Explain why individual conscience is important in Christianity. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

8. (a) Describe what Jesus taught in the Sermon on the Mount about being anxious. (10)

(b) Explain why the Tenth Commandment (not to covet anything that belongs to other people) is important in Christian daily life. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

9. (a) Outline the events of Jesus' resurrection. (10)

(b) Choose **one** healing miracle carried out by Jesus. Explain why this miracle is important for Christianity. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

10. (a) Choose **two** places of Christian worship. Outline significant differences in their design. (10)

(b) Explain why Bethlehem is a significant place of pilgrimage for Christians. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Hinduism

11. (a) Outline ceremonies associated with death in Hinduism. (10)

(b) Explain why the use of images is an important aspect of Hindu worship. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

12. (a) Outline the role of the pujari in the mandir. (10)

(b) Explain why the teachings of the Bhagavad Gita are important in Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

13. (a) Describe Hindu teachings about kama and artha. (10)

(b) Explain why moksha is important in Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

14. (a) Outline the significance of **one** story associated with Krishna. (10)

(b) Explain why Ramanuja is important in Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

15. (a) Outline significant features of the architecture of a temple. (10)

(b) Explain why temples are important in Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Islam

16. (a) Outline what takes place at a Muslim marriage ceremony. (10)

(b) Explain why ceremonies associated with birth, marriage and death are important in Islam. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

17. (a) Outline, with examples, how the principles of ijma and qiyas are used. (10)

(b) Explain why the Shar'iah is important in Islam. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

18. (a) Outline, with examples, how the principle of haram is applied to food in Islam. (10)

(b) Explain why zakah is important in Islam. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

19. (a) Outline the events surrounding Muhammad's departure from Mecca. (10)

(b) Explain the importance of Madinah in the development of Islam. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

20. (a) Outline the main features of the interior of a mosque. (10)

(b) Explain how the hajj demonstrates the unity of the ummah. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Judaism

21. (a) Describe the way Shabbat may be observed in the home. (10)

(b) Explain the importance of Pesach in Judaism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

22. (a) Outline, with examples, the **three** main parts of the Tenakh. (10)

(b) Explain why the Responsa is important in Judaism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

23. (a) Outline the rules which define kosher food. (10)

(b) Explain why the Pirkei Avot is important in Judaism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

24. (a) Outline the events which surrounded the birth of Moses. (10)

(b) Explain why the prophets are important in the development of Judaism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

25. (a) Describe the symbols in the synagogue which point to the authority and power of the Almighty. (10)

(b) Explain why Jewish people may go on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Sikhism

26. (a) Outline ways in which Sikhs celebrate the birthday of Guru Nanak. (10)

(b) Explain why the naming ceremony is important in Sikhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

27. (a) Outline how the Guru Granth Sahib was compiled. (10)

(b) Explain why leadership is important in the gurdwara. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

28. (a) Outline ways in which a Sikh may follow the promises made at the amrit ceremony. (10)

(b) Explain why the principle of honest work is important in Sikhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

29. (a) Describe how Guru Gobind Singh helped to unite the followers of the Sikh faith. (10)

(b) Explain the importance of gurus in Sikhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

30. (a) Outline the role of Amritsar in Sikhism. (10)

(b) Explain, with examples, why symbolism is important in a gurdwara. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 40 MARKS

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