

Paper Reference(s)

4425/02

London Examinations IGCSE

Religious Studies

Paper 2

The Religious Community

Thursday 12 November 2009 – 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) Describe how images of the Buddha are used in Buddhist devotion. (10)

(b) Explain why Buddhists have differing attitudes to the importance of marriage rituals. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

2. (a) Outline the ways in which bhikkhus and lay people support each other. (10)

(b) Explain why the Dhammapada is important for Buddhists. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

3. (a) Outline ways in which Buddhists may follow the Noble Eightfold Path. (10)

(b) Explain why the rules of the Vinaya are important in the Sangha. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

4. (a) Describe the event which led the Buddha to begin his search for enlightenment. (10)

(b) Explain why the Parinibbana of the Buddha is important for Buddhists. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

5. (a) Outline what Buddhists do when they go on a pilgrimage to Bodh Gaya. (10)

(b) Explain why Sarnath is a place of pilgrimage for Buddhists. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Christianity

6. (a) Outline what happens at the celebration of the Eucharist. (10)

(b) Explain why Christians worship in different ways. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

7. (a) Describe **one** situation where the authority of the Church may conflict with individual conscience. (10)

(b) Explain why there are differing attitudes among Christians to the authority of the Bible. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

8. (a) Describe **two** examples of how Jesus interpreted the Ten Commandments in the Sermon on the Mount. (10)

(b) Explain why the Golden Rule is important in Christianity. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

9. (a) Describe **one** example of Jesus' ministry of healing. (10)

(b) Explain why the death and resurrection of Jesus is important for Christians. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

10. (a) Describe the design of **one** place of Christian worship. (10)

(b) Explain why the Holy Land is an important place of Christian pilgrimage. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Hinduism

11. (a) Outline what happens at the sacred thread ceremony. (10)

(b) Explain why worship at home is important for Hindus. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

12. (a) Describe the different styles of teaching in the Vedas. (10)

(b) Explain why Sruti writings are important for Hindus. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

13. (a) Outline Hindu teachings about ahimsa. (10)

(b) Explain why dharma is important for Hindus. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

14. (a) Outline one story associated with Lord Rama. (10)

(b) Explain why Lord Krishna is important for Hindus. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

15. (a) Outline practices which show the importance of sacred rivers in Hinduism. (10)

(b) Explain why natural phenomena are important in Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Islam

16. (a) Describe how Muslims celebrate Id-ul-Adha. (10)

(b) Explain why rituals associated with death are important for Muslims. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

17. (a) Outline the role of the Ulema. (10)

(b) Explain why the Imam is important in Shi'ah Islam. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

18. (a) Outline the guidance given in the Shari'ah concerning food. (10)

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

(Total 20 marks)

19. (a) Describe the events leading to the Hijrah. (10)

(b) Explain why the Prophet is regarded by Muslims as the "seal of the prophets". (10)

(Total 20 marks)

20. (a) Describe what Muslim pilgrims do at as-Safa and al Marwa. (10)

(b) Explain why Makkah is important for Muslims. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Judaism

21. (a) Outline Jewish rituals associated with death and mourning. (10)

(b) Explain why symbolism is important in Jewish worship. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

22. (a) Describe how the Talmud is used in the Jewish community. (10)

(b) Explain why there are differing attitudes towards tradition in Judaism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

23. (a) Describe the customs of, and attitudes towards, dress in Judaism. (10)

(b) Explain why the home is important in maintaining the Jewish way of life. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

24. (a) Outline the ways in which Abraham demonstrated his faith in the Almighty. (10)

(b) Explain why the prophets were often persecuted in Jewish history. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

25. (a) Outline **four** of the main features of a synagogue. (10)

(b) Explain why the synagogue has a central place in the Jewish community. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Sikhism

26. (a) Outline ways in which the Guru Granth Sahib is used in worship. (10)

(b) Explain why private devotion is important for Sikhs. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

27. (a) Outline the role of the granthi in a gurdwara. (10)

(b) Explain why Sikhs reject the caste system. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

28. (a) Outline the promises made at the amrit ceremony. (10)

(b) Explain why the Khanda is an important Sikh symbol. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

29. (a) Outline the main features of the journeys undertaken by Guru Nanak. (10)

(b) Explain why Guru Gobind Singh formed the Khalsa. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

30. (a) Describe what happens in the langar. (10)

(b) Explain why there are different attitudes towards pilgrimage among Sikhs. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 40 MARKS

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