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**Pearson Edexcel Level 1/Level 2 International GCSE (9–1)**

**Wednesday 21 May 2025**

Afternoon (Time: 1 hour 30 minutes) **Paper reference** **4RS1/2E**

**Religious Studies**

**PAPER 2: The Religious Community**

**Option 2E – Judaism**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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(c) "Jews do not need to rely on rabbis as sources of authority."

Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.

In your answer you should include:

- reference to teachings
- other (divergent) points of view – either within the religion or from other religions
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**Section 2: Celebration and Pilgrimage**

**2** (a) Outline **two** features of Rosh Hashanah.

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(b) Explain the importance of celebrating festivals for many Jews.

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(c) "It is more important for Jews to visit Yad Vashem than the Western Wall."

Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.

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(c) "Praying to the Almighty is the most important aspect of Jewish life."

Discuss this statement considering the arguments for and against.

In your answer you should include:

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