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RELIGIOUS STUDIES

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Paper 1

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You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **four** questions in total:
You must answer from **two** sections.
In each of your chosen sections, you must answer **all** the questions.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has **4** pages.



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Section A – Christianity

If you have chosen this section, answer **all** the questions.

- 1 (a) (i) Briefly describe what is meant by the term 'myth'. [3]
- (ii) Briefly describe the way the contents of the Bible are organised. [4]
- (b) Explain what the Trinity teaches Christians about the nature of God. [7]
- (c) 'Regular services of reconciliation are essential for Christians.'
- Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

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'But I pray to you, Lord, in the time of your favour; in your great love oh God, answer me with your sure salvation.'

Psalms 69:13

- (a) (i) Give **three** forms of private devotion for Christians. [3]
- (ii) Briefly describe how Christians use the font/baptistery. [4]
- (b) Explain why some Christians might find it important to use the Bible during church services. [7]
- (c) 'Thanksgiving is the most important religious practice for Christians.'
- Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

Section B – Islam

If you have chosen this section, answer **all** the questions.

- 3 (a) (i)** Briefly describe what happens during Jummah (Friday mid-day prayer). [3]
- (ii)** Briefly describe what it means to say that Muhammad (pbuh) is the Seal of the Prophets. [4]
- (b)** Explain the significance of the concept of Tawhid (unity of God) for Muslims. [7]
- (c)** ‘Understanding akhirah (life after death) helps Muslims in their lives.’
- Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

4

**‘Wherever you are, Oh Prophet, turn your face towards the sacred mosque.
And wherever you believers are, face towards it so that people will have no argument
against you.’**

Surah 2:150

- (a) (i)** Give **three** things the adhan (call to prayer) tells Muslims. [3]
- (ii)** Briefly describe the role of an imam. [4]
- (b)** Explain why qiblah (direction) is significant in Muslim worship. [7]
- (c)** ‘Praying in private is as important as praying in public.’
- Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

Section C – Judaism

If you have chosen this section, answer **all** the questions.

5 (a) (i) Give **three** symbols that might be found in a synagogue. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe the contents of the Torah. [4]

(b) Explain how the treatment of the Sefer Torah (Torah scrolls) shows its importance. [7]

(c) 'Torah law is relevant even though the world has changed.'

Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

6

**'For there will never cease to be needy ones in your land, which is why I command you:
Open your hand to the poor and needy kin in your land.'**

Deuteronomy 15:11

(a) (i) Give **three** instructions given to Jews in the Shema (statement of faith). [3]

(ii) Briefly describe how the Mishnah (oral law) developed. [4]

(b) Explain the importance of the Covenant relationship for understanding Judaism. [7]

(c) 'All Jews need to be part of a Jewish community.'

Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [6]

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