

**Modified Enlarged 18pt**

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**

**Monday 26 June 2023 – Afternoon**

**A Level Religious Studies**

**H573/04 Developments in Islamic thought**

**Time allowed: 2 hours**

**plus your additional time allowance**

**YOU MUST HAVE:  
the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet**

**READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF**



## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Use black ink.**

**Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.**

**Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.**

**Answer ANY THREE questions.**

## **INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 120.**

**The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].**

**Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).**

## **ADVICE**

**Read each question carefully before you start your answer.**

**Answer any THREE questions.**

**In all your responses, you should:**

**demonstrate knowledge and understanding of religion and belief, including:**

**religious thought and teaching  
influence of beliefs, teachings and practices on individuals, societies and communities  
cause and significance of similarities and differences in belief, teaching and practice  
approaches to the study of religion and belief.**

**analyse and evaluate aspects of, and approaches to, religion and belief, including their significance, influence and study.**

- 1\* 'The Sufi concept of the 'friendship of God' (wilaya), is un-Islamic.' Discuss. [40]**
- 2\* Critically assess the claim that 9/11 has had little impact on perceptions of Islam in Europe. [40]**
- 3\* Evaluate the claim that Islam has made no significant contributions to scientific knowledge. [40]**
- 4\* To what extent is it true that local cultural norms are the major cause of gender inequality in Islam? [40]**

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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