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B577

RELIGIOUS STUDIES A (World Religion(s))

**Islam 1 (Beliefs, Special Days, Divisions
and Interpretations)**

TUESDAY 8 JUNE 2010: Afternoon

DURATION: 1 hour

SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Candidates answer on the Question Paper

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

None

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

None

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- **Use black ink.**
- **Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.**
- **Answer any TWO questions; you must answer all parts (a-e) of the two questions that you choose.**
- **Write your answer to each question in the space provided, if additional space is required you should use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.**

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- **The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.**
- **The total number of marks for this paper is 48.**
- **Quality of written communication is assessed in parts d and e of all questions.**

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Answer any TWO questions, you must answer ALL parts (a–e) of the questions you choose.

1 (a) What is the name Muslims use for God?

[1]

(b) What is the meaning of the word ‘Muslim’?

[2]

(c) Explain the importance of the Shahadah.

[3]

(d) Explain the meaning and importance of Muslim preparations for prayer.

[6]

(e) ‘Salah is the most important of the Five Pillars.’

Discuss this statement. You should include different, supported points of view and a personal viewpoint. You must refer to Islam in your answer.

[12]

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2 (a) In which country is Makkah?

[1]

(b) Give TWO reasons why Muslims go on pilgrimage to Makkah.

1 _____

2 _____

_____ [2]

(c) How do Muslims prepare for pilgrimage to Makkah?

_____ [3]

(d) Explain the importance of what pilgrims do at Mina and at Mount Arafat.

1 At Mina: _____

2 At Mount Arafat: _____

[6]

(e) ‘A pilgrimage is just an excuse for a holiday.’

Discuss this statement. You should include different, supported points of view and a personal viewpoint. You must refer to Islam in your answer.

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3 (a) Give ONE belief about which all Muslims agree.

[1]

(b) Give TWO practices which Shi'a Muslims do differently from most Sunni Muslims.

1 _____

2 _____

[2]

(c) Describe what is meant by Sufism.

[3]

(d) Explain why some Muslims follow Sufism.

[6]

- (e) ‘There are more similarities than differences between Muslims.’**

Discuss this statement. You should include different, supported points of view and a personal viewpoint. You must refer to Islam in your answer.

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