

Wednesday 23 May 2012 – Morning

GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES A (WORLD RELIGION(S))

B579 Judaism 1 (Beliefs, Special Days, Divisions and Interpretations)



Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

OCR supplied materials:

None

Duration: 1 hour

Other materials required:

None



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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes above. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Answer any **two** questions; you must answer all parts (a–e) of the two questions that you choose.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- 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.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- 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.
- This document consists of **16** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer any **two** questions, you must answer **all** parts (a–e) of the questions you choose.

- 1 (a) What are mitzvot?

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- (b) State **two** reasons why Jews believe in G-d.

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- (c) Give **three** Jewish beliefs about G-d.

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- (d) Explain what Jews believe about life after death.

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- (e) 'Religion only exists because people are afraid of death.'

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

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- 2 (a) On the evening of which day does Shabbat start?

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- (b) State **two** buildings in which Shabbat is celebrated.

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- (c) List **three** activities that might **not** be carried out by Jews during Shabbat.

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- (d) Explain why Shabbat is important for the Jewish community.

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(e) ‘Shabbat is taken too seriously by some Jews.’

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

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- 3 (a) What name do many Jews use for the Twentieth Century Holocaust?

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- (b) State **two** causes of the Twentieth Century Holocaust.

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- (c) List **three** ways in which Jews suffered during the Twentieth Century Holocaust.

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- (d) Explain how the Twentieth Century Holocaust has affected the lives of Jews.

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- (e) ‘The Twentieth Century Holocaust proves that there is no G-d.’

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

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Additional pages

If you use these additional pages to complete an answer to any question, the question number must be clearly shown.

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