

Paper Reference(s)

4425/01

London Examinations IGCSE

Religious Studies

Paper 1

Beliefs and Values

Tuesday 13 November 2007 – Morning

Time: 2 hours

Materials required for examination

Answer book (AB12)

Items included with question papers

Nil

Instructions to Candidates

Answer one question from Section A, one question from Section B, one question from Section C, one question from Section D and two questions from Section E.

In the boxes on the answer book, write your centre number, candidate number, the subject title (Religious Studies), the paper reference (4425/01), your surname other names and signature.

Write your answers in the answer book. Make sure your answers to parts of questions are clearly numbered. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Information for Candidates

The marks for individual questions and the parts of questions are shown in round brackets: e.g. (2).

There are 16 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 80.

There are 8 pages in this question paper. Any blank pages are indicated.

Dictionaries may NOT be used in this examination.

Advice to Candidates

You should spend about 20 minutes on each question.

Write your answers clearly and in good English.

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Section A: Human beings and their destiny

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

1. (a) What is the **commonality** of all living beings? (2)
- (b) Describe **either** a linear **or** a cyclical view of human existence. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe in determinism. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

2. (a) What is **immortality**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its beliefs about human destiny. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that sin is the root cause of human wrongdoing. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A: 15 MARKS

Section B: The meaning and purpose of life

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

3. (a) What is **polytheism**? (2)
- (b) Outline non-religious ideas about the meaning of life. (5)
- (c) Explain how the appearance of causation in the world may lead to, or support, belief in God. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

4. (a) What does it mean to say the world has been **designed**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about the sanctity of life. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people do not believe that God is omniscient. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B: 15 MARKS

Section C: Marriage, family life and human relationships

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

5. (a) What is **divorce**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about promiscuity. (5)
- (c) Explain why religious people should support the rights of children. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

6. (a) What is **genetic engineering**? (2)
- (b) Outline non-religious responses to changing attitudes to relationships between the sexes. (5)
- (c) Explain how the different generations within the family have different responsibilities towards each other. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION C: 15 MARKS

Section D: Relationships with other people

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

7. (a) What is **freedom of religion**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about compassion. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe there is gender bias in religion. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

OR

8. (a) Give one example of practical **generosity**. (2)
- (b) Outline ways in which people can work to overcome racism. (5)
- (c) Explain why many religious people welcome religious pluralism. (8)

(Total 15 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION D: 15 MARKS

Section E

Answer TWO questions from this section.

9. 'Human beings should always treat animals well.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

10. 'God has already decided our fate.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

11. 'Nobody can be sure that God exists.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

12. 'Religious people cannot explain why there is suffering in the world.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

13. 'There is no reason why non-religious people should be concerned about the breakdown of marriage.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

14. 'Parents cannot bring up children properly without the help of a religious community.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

15. 'Religious people obviously do not care about human rights.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

16. 'Charity creates more problems than it solves.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer you should refer to at least **one** named religion.

(Total 10 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION E: 20 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 80 MARKS

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