



# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2013

## JEWISH STUDIES — HIGHER LEVEL

TOTAL MARKS: 400

WEDNESDAY, 19 JUNE — MORNING, 9.30 to 12.00

PART 1: 80 MARKS & PART 2: 320 MARKS

### *Instructions for Candidates*

- Write your EXAMINATION NUMBER in this box:
- In this answer booklet answer ALL of the questions that follow in PART 1 on *either* TITLE A *or* TITLE B prescribed for PROJECT WORK in the Junior Certificate Jewish Studies 2013 paper. The questions on TITLE A and TITLE B carry equal total marks.
- In PART 2 answer ALL questions in SECTION A and THREE of the questions in SECTION B in the separate answer-book provided. All questions in PART 2 carry equal total marks.
- You must return both this completed answer booklet and the separate answer-book provided to the examination superintendent.

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	<i>Parts</i>		<i>Marks</i>
1	A	Title Total (80)	
	B	Title Total (80)	
2	A	Questions (80)	
		B	Question 1 (80)
		Question 2 (80)	
		Question 3 (80)	
		Question 4 (80)	
		Question 5 (80)	
TOTAL MARKS			

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Note: The mark in row 3 above must equal the mark in the 'TOTAL MARKS' box across.	

**PART 1**

(80 Marks)

**PROJECT WORK**

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 30 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN PART 1.

YOU MUST ANSWER ALL OF THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW ON ***EITHER TITLE A OR TITLE B*** BELOW.

**TITLE A**

**A case study on Jewish resistance to the Holocaust as seen in the ‘Warsaw Ghetto Uprising’ of 1943.**

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**Questions:**

- 1. Read the following extract from a poem about a child in the Warsaw Ghetto and answer the questions below:

*Past walls, past guards ...                      But all must be endured*  
*I slip by, I run like a cat ...                All must be borne*  
*Under my arm a sack-cloth bag    So that you, ladies and gentlemen,*  
*On my back a torn rag ...                    May have your fill of bread tomorrow.*  
*In my heart constant fear                    (Adapted from *The Little Smuggler* by Henryka Lazawart)*

- a. What is the child in the poem smuggling into the Warsaw Ghetto?

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- b. From your project work, outline **one** reason why children in the Warsaw Ghetto acted as smugglers.

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- c. Describe **another** way that Jewish people in the Warsaw Ghetto tried to make life as normal as possible for themselves during World War II.

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**OR**  
**TITLE B**

**An examination of the protection given to Jewish citizens within  
the Danish State during the Holocaust (Shoah).**

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**Questions:**

1. a. *This is a photograph of Danish fishermen rescuing Jewish people in 1943.*



(Source: www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org)

What country offered asylum to Jewish people from Denmark in 1943?

\_\_\_\_\_ (5 marks)

- b. From your project work, describe **another** example of how the lives of Jewish people were saved through the protection given to them by *either* the Danish government *or* a Danish person.

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## PART 2

(320 Marks)

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN A SEPARATE ANSWER-BOOK.

### SECTION A

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 30 MINUTES ANSWERING ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION A BELOW.

#### QUESTIONS: THE IRISH JEWISH COMMUNITIES AND THE JEWISH HOME

Answer A and B.

- A. Imagine that you are visiting a Jewish home where you see displayed the religious object shown in the photograph below:



(Source: [www.nccg.org](http://www.nccg.org))

- Name the religious object that is in this photograph. (5 marks)
- Where in a Jewish home is the religious object that you have named above supposed to be placed? (5 marks)
- Explain **two** reasons why the object that you have named above has religious importance in a Jewish home. (30 marks)

- B. a. Name the book that first refers to the presence of Jewish people in Ireland during 1079. (5 marks)



(Source: SoftKey Multimedia)

- Over the centuries there have been a number of times when groups of Jewish people immigrated to Ireland.*  
Name **one** country from which a group of Jewish people originally immigrated to Ireland. (5 marks)
- Describe how such immigration led to the establishment of **two** Jewish communities in Ireland. (30 marks)

## SECTION B

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 30 MINUTES ANSWERING EACH QUESTION IN SECTION B.

YOU MUST ANSWER **THREE** OF THE FIVE QUESTIONS IN SECTION B BELOW.

### QUESTION 1. BELIEFS AND MORAL TEACHINGS

Answer A and B.

- A.
- Read the following example of the demands that God's Covenant makes on Jewish people: *'Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you; ...Only, you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood.'* (Genesis 9:3-4) Describe **another** example, from Biblical times, of the demands that God's Covenant made on Jewish people. (20 marks)
  - Outline what the term 'God's Covenant' means for Jewish people today. (20 marks)
- B.
- Describe **two** characteristics that are associated with the Jewish understanding of God. (20 marks)
  - Explain how 'Tikkun Olam' would guide a person in deciding what is right and wrong in a situation. (20 marks)

### QUESTION 2. SACREDNESS IN THE JEWISH FAITH

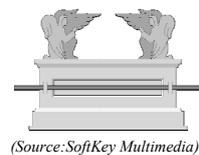
Answer A and B.

- A.
- At what age does the circumcision ceremony usually take place for a Jewish baby boy? (10 marks)
  - BRIT MILA       JEWISH BURIAL       JEWISH MARRIAGE  
Describe the customs involved in **two** of the Jewish ceremonies listed above. (30 marks)
- B.
- Outline the way in which Yom Kippur is marked by Jewish people today. (20 marks)
  - Explain **one** reason why Yom Kippur is marked by observant Jews. (20 marks)

### QUESTION 3. HOLY PLACES

Answer A and B.

- A.
- Name the religious building in Jerusalem which held the Ark of the Covenant in Biblical times. (10 marks)
  - Outline **two** ways that the Jewish people were affected by the Babylonian invasion of Judah/Judea in 586 BCE. (20 marks)
- B.
- What is the minimum number of adult men who must be present for a full synagogue service? (10 marks)
    - BIMAH       PERPETUAL LAMP  
Choose **one** of the above and describe the purpose it serves within a synagogue. (20 marks)
  - Explain **two** reasons why communal prayer is regarded as important by observant Jewish people. (20 marks)



#### QUESTION 4. SACRED WRITINGS AND COMMENTARIES

Answer A and B.



(Source:thefreedictionary.com)

- A.** a. *The stories of many leaders of the Jewish people are outlined in the Hebrew Bible.*  
Name the person who led the Jewish people out of slavery in Egypt. (10 marks)
- b. Outline the role that Joshua played in the story of the Jewish people described in the Hebrew Bible. (30 marks)
- B.** a. Name the author of the 'Shulchan Aruch' that was first published in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century. (10 marks)
- b. Explain **two** reasons why the 'Shulchan Aruch' became an important guide for Jewish people. (30 marks)

#### QUESTION 5. THE HEBREW LANGUAGE

Answer A and B.

- A.** Read the phrases from the Hebrew Bible given below and answer the questions that follow:
- a. אֶרֶץ מִצְרַיִם What land is referred to in this Hebrew text? (10 marks)
- b. וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יְהִי אֹר וַיְהִי אֹר:  
i. Who is referred to as speaking in the Hebrew text above? (10 marks)  
ii. Outline in your own words the instruction that is being given in the Hebrew text above. (20 marks)
- B.** a. Imagine that Jewish friends invite you to join them in celebrating the Jewish holy day of פּוּרִים. What is the English name for this Jewish holy day? (10 marks)
- b. You hear a rabbi speaking in Hebrew with a student. The term בַּר מִצְוָה is used by both the rabbi and the student in the conversation. What is this term in English? (10 marks)
- c. The Hebrew names for two books from the Pentateuch are given below:  
i. וַיְקָרָא ii. בְּמִדְבָּר  
State the name in English for each of the books above. (20 marks)