



# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2016

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION — ORDINARY LEVEL

Total Marks: 400

THURSDAY, 16 JUNE — AFTERNOON, 2.00 to 4.00

### *General Directions for Candidates*

1. Write your EXAMINATION NUMBER in this box:
2. WRITE ALL ANSWERS INTO THIS ANSWER BOOK.
3. YOU MUST ANSWER ALL 4 SECTIONS ON THIS PAPER.

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## SECTION 1

(80 marks)

**YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 20 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.**

**YOU MUST ANSWER TEN OF THE FOLLOWING TWENTY QUESTIONS.**

**IN QUESTIONS WHERE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TICK ✓ THE CORRECT BOX,**

**TICK ONE BOX ONLY.**

**(All questions carry 8 marks each)**

1. An example of a miracle performed by Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. One reason for community breakdown is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Which **one** of the following world religions is most associated with monotheism?  
(Tick ✓ the correct box)

BUDDHISM

HINDUISM

ISLAM

4. Religious tolerance is needed so that \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Read the list of places of pilgrimage and the list of world religions given below. One place of pilgrimage has been matched to the world religion with which it is most associated as an example for you. Make **one** other match.

<i>Places of Pilgrimage</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
Bodh Gaya	Buddhism
Medina	Christianity
The Holy Land	Hinduism
The Wailing Wall	Islam
Varanasi	Judaism

<i>Place of Pilgrimage</i>	<i>World Religion</i>
<i>The Holy Land</i>	<i>Christianity</i>

6. In religious traditions the term ‘sacred’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. For the members of a religious tradition one consequence of sin is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. The Gospel of John is a synoptic gospel. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE

FALSE

9. The mission of a community of faith involves \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. From the point of view of a religious tradition peace refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

11. Read the list of religious titles and the list of world religions given below. One religious title has been matched to the world religion with which it is most associated as an example for you. Make **one** other match.

<i>Religious Titles</i>	<i>World Religions</i>	<i>Religious Title</i>	<i>World Religion</i>
Bishops	Buddhism		
Brahmins	Christianity		
Imams	Hinduism		
Rabbis	Islam		
Sangha	Judaism		

*Example:* Bishops Christianity

*Answer:*

12. Within religious traditions martyrdom refers to a person being willing to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

13. Secular humanists look to religious answers when searching for the meaning of life.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE

FALSE

14. Time for reflection is important when searching for the meaning of life because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

15. Read the list of events and the list of world religions given below. One event has been matched to the world religion with which it is most associated as an example for you.

Make **one** other match.

<i>Events</i>	<i>World Religions</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>World Religion</i>
Aryan Invasion	Buddhism		
Exodus	Christianity		
Hijra	Hinduism		
Pentecost	Islam		
Sacred Night	Judaism		

*Example:* Pentecost Christianity

*Answer:*

16. Within religious traditions being moral refers to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

17. Sectarianism is the hatred of another person because of his/her religion.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE

FALSE

18. Considering the consequences is one stage in the process of moral decision-making.

State what is involved in **another** stage of the moral decision-making process. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

19. A sign is an action, image or word that communicates one clear message.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE

FALSE

20. Within a religious tradition a ‘prophet’ is someone who \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 2

(60 marks)

**YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 20 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.**

**CHOOSE THREE OF THE FOLLOWING FOUR PHOTOGRAPHS AND ANSWER  
THE QUESTIONS ON EACH.**

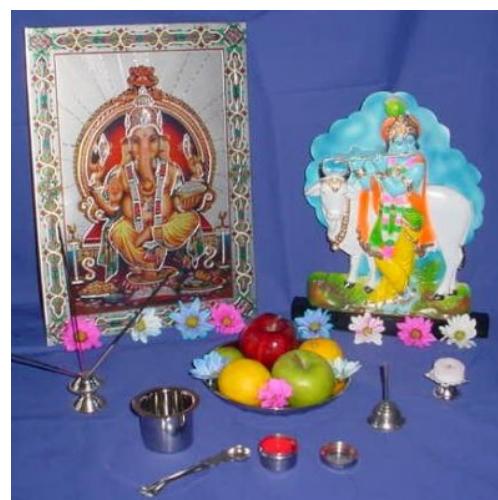
**(All questions carry 20 marks each)**

**Question 1. This is a notice from a community of faith.**



- A. Pick **one** thing from the notice which suggests that communication is valued by this community of faith.
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- (6 marks)
- B. Communication is one characteristic of a community of faith. State **another** characteristic of a community of faith.
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- (6 marks)
- C. Give **one** reason why communication is needed within a community of faith.
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- (8 marks)

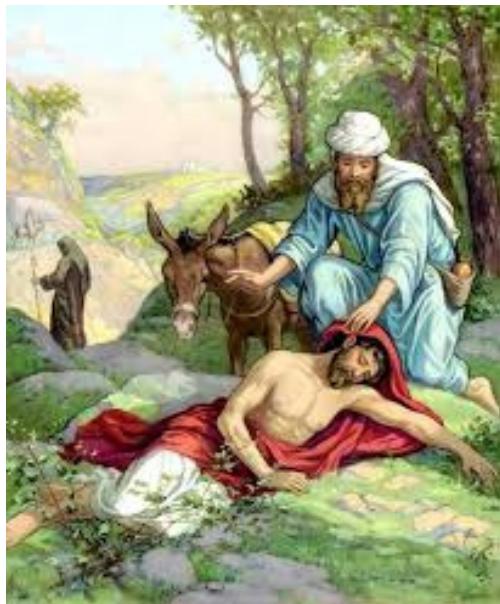
**Question 2. This is a photograph of a religious shrine.**



(Source <http://resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk>)

- A. Pick **one** thing from the photograph which suggests that this is a religious shrine.
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- (6 marks)
- B. A world religion associated with 'polytheism' is —
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- (6 marks)
- C. State **one** example of how polytheism is expressed in a major world religion.
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- (8 marks)

**Question 3. This picture is based on a parable told by Jesus.**



(Source: [www.prillycharmin.com](http://www.prillycharmin.com))

- A. Pick **one** thing from the picture which suggests that it is based on a parable told by Jesus.

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(6 marks)

- B. Name **another** parable told by Jesus.

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(6 marks)

- C. Give **one** reason why Jesus used parables to teach about the Kingdom of God.

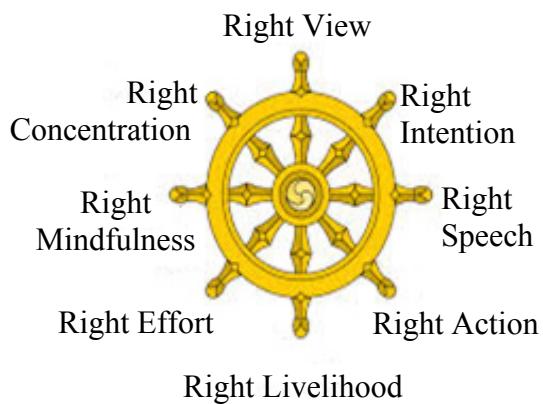
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**Question 4. This is a drawing of a moral code.**



(Source: Adapted from [www.alittlebitoflight.org](http://www.alittlebitoflight.org))

- A. Pick **one** thing from the drawing which suggests that it is based on a moral code.

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(6 marks)

- B. Tick ✓ **one** of the following world religions and name a moral code that is most associated with it:

BUDDHISM  CHRISTIANITY  HINDUISM

ISLAM  JUDAISM

Name of Moral Code:

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(6 marks)

- C. State **one** way that a moral code helps the members of a community of faith.

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## SECTION 3

(60 marks)

**YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 20 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.**  
READ THE FOLLOWING POSTER CAREFULLY AND ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW:



The poster features the GreenFaithDay logo with the tagline "1 Day. 1 Prayer. 1 Action. 1 Earth." It includes two photographs of people cleaning up green spaces. The central text reads: "CALLING ON PEOPLE OF ALL FAITHS TO JOIN IN CLEANING UP OUR GREEN SPACES". It contains three quotes in boxes: one from the Quran, one from Cardinal Peter Turkson, and one from the Dalai Lama. It also shows a group of people at a cleanup site and a quote from Mahabharata.

**GreenFaithDay**  
1 Day. 1 Prayer. 1 Action. 1 Earth.

CALLING ON PEOPLE OF ALL FAITHS  
TO JOIN IN CLEANING UP  
OUR GREEN SPACES

*'And it is He (God) who has made you successors upon the earth.' — Quran 6:165*  
(Source: [www.theecomuslim.com](http://www.theecomuslim.com))

*"We receive this Earth as a garden. We do not want to pass it on to those who come after us as a wilderness." — Cardinal Peter Turkson COP21*  
(Source: Irish Independent Dec 9 2015)

When: Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2016  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Where: Town Centre

*'... part of our responsibility towards others is to ensure that the world we pass on is as healthy, if not healthier, than we found it.' — Dalai Lama*  
(Source: Adapted from [www.dalailama.com](http://www.dalailama.com))

*'If there is but one tree of flowers and fruit within a village, that place is worthy of your respect.' — Mahabharata*  
(Source: [www.BBC.co.uk](http://www.BBC.co.uk))

*(Adapted from [www.greenfaith.org](http://www.greenfaith.org); [prezi.com](http://prezi.com); [baylorlariat.com](http://baylorlariat.com); [nwitimes.com](http://nwitimes.com))*

1. Explain in your own words **one** way in which this poster shows an example of stewardship.

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(12 marks)

2. Outline how the connection between actions and consequences can be seen in the above poster.

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3. Describe **another** example of how stewardship is practised by the members of a community of faith today.

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4. Explain **two** reasons why stewardship is encouraged by a community of faith today.

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## SECTION 4

(200 marks)

**YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 60 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.**

**ANSWER FIVE OF THE FOLLOWING SIX QUESTIONS.**

**(All questions carry 40 marks each)**

### **Question 1. COMMUNITIES OF FAITH**

- A. a. In religious traditions the term ‘revelation’ refers to the will of God/gods/the divine becoming known. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE

FALSE

(8 marks)

- b. Tick ✓ one of the following major world religions that you have studied:

BUDDHISM  CHRISTIANITY  HINDUISM  ISLAM  JUDAISM

Describe an example of how revelation can be seen in the story of the world religion that you have ticked above.

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- B. a. Different major world religions engage in dialogue with each other in order to —

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- b. Describe **two** examples of how different major world religions have engaged in dialogue with each other.

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**Question 2. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION — CHRISTIANITY**

- A. a. Historical information about the life of Jesus of Nazareth is found in the writings of —  
(Tick ✓ the correct box)

TACITUS  THOMAS  TOBIAH  (8 marks)

- b. Explain **two** reasons why the Gospels are described as documents of faith.

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- B. a. Below you will find a list of events that took place after Jesus was crucified. Number the events in the order in which they occurred by giving number 1 to the first event, number 2 to the second event, number 3 to the third event and number 4 to the fourth event.

<i>Number:</i>	<i>Events that took place after Jesus was crucified:</i>
	Jesus was taken up into heaven.
	Jesus' apostles were filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.
	Jesus' body was placed in a tomb.
	Jesus appeared to his disciples.

(8 marks)

- b. Outline **two** ways in which the first disciples were affected by any one of the events listed above.

*Event:* \_\_\_\_\_

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**Question 3. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION — MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS**

- A. a. Read the list of religious ceremonies that mark a key moment in the life of a believer and the list of world religions given below. Match **one** religious ceremony to the world religion with which it is most associated.

<i>Religious Ceremonies</i>	<i>World Religions</i>	<i>Religious Ceremony</i>	<i>World Religion</i>
Aqiqah Bar Mitzvah Sacred Thread Shinbyu	Buddhism Hinduism Islam Judaism	<i>Answer:</i>	(8 marks)

- b. Tick ✓ **one** of the following world religions that you have studied:

BUDDHISM  HINDUISM  ISLAM  JUDAISM

Describe what happens during a religious ceremony that marks a key moment in the life of a believer in the world religion which you have ticked above.

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- B. a. CREED  MEDITATION

Tick ✓ **one** of the above and describe what is involved in this form of prayer in one of the following world religions:

◆ BUDDHISM ◆ HINDUISM ◆ ISLAM ◆ JUDAISM

(*World Religion*)

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- b. Explain **two** reasons why the form of prayer described in *part B a)* above is practised by believers today.

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#### Question 4. THE QUESTION OF FAITH

- A. a. *God as Creator is one image associated with a world religion.* State **another** image of God that is associated with a major world religion which you have studied.

*Image of God:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Major World Religion:* \_\_\_\_\_  
(8 marks)

- b. Explain **two** reasons why the image of God that you have stated in *part A a)* above is associated with a world religion.

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- B. a. Describe **one** characteristic that is typical of a child's faith.

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- b. Suggest **two** ways that a child's faith could be encouraged to develop into a more mature faith.

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## Question 5. THE CELEBRATION OF FAITH

- A. a. Name the major world religion with which **one** of the religious objects pictured below is most associated.



([www.popatstores.co.uk](http://www.popatstores.co.uk))



([www.aliexpress.com](http://www.aliexpress.com))



(<http://mezuzahstore.com>)



([www.standrewschurchsupply.com](http://www.standrewschurchsupply.com))



([www.carpetsdubai.com](http://www.carpetsdubai.com))

Arti Lamp

Lotus Flower

Mezuzah

Paschal Candle

Prayer Mat

World  
Religion:

\_\_\_\_\_ (8 marks)

- b. Explain why a symbolic object is used in worship by the members of a major world religion today. *Religious Object:* \_\_\_\_\_

(Major World Religion)

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(10 marks)

- B. a. Describe **one** symbolic action that the members of a major world religion use to express their faith.

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- b. Explain **two** reasons why the members of a world religion use the symbolic action that you have described in *part B a)* above to express their faith.

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#### Question 6. THE MORAL CHALLENGE

- A. a. Within religious traditions ‘reconciliation’ refers to the restoration of relationships that have been broken. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE

FALSE

(8 marks)

- b. Describe **two** examples of how a major world religion offers its members an opportunity for reconciliation. *Major World Religion:* \_\_\_\_\_

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- B. a. Outline how **two** of the following could influence a person's conscience:

● FAMILY     ● PEER GROUP     ● RELIGION

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- b. Explain how an informed conscience could help a person to decide what is right and wrong when making a moral decision.

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