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RELIGIOUS STUDIES

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Paper 2

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1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **four** questions in total:
You must answer from **two** sections.
In each of your chosen sections, you must answer all of the parts of **two** of the questions.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has **4** pages.



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Section A – Christianity

If you have chosen this section answer **all** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

- 1** (a) Describe the celebrations in a Christian church on Easter Sunday. [7]
- (b) Explain why Easter is a celebration of thanksgiving for Christians. [7]
- (c) 'It is important to decorate the church at Easter.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 2** (a) Describe a Christian funeral service. [7]
- (b) Explain how Christian beliefs might help people to cope with death. [7]
- (c) 'Having Christian belief helps people to cope with **all** problems in life.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 3** (a) Give an account of how Christians show love and concern for others by obeying the Ten Commandments. [7]
- (b) Explain why members of a Christian community are often referred to as a 'family'. [7]
- (c) 'Good actions should always be done in secret.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]

Section B – Islam

If you have chosen this section answer **all** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

- 4** (a) Give an account of the activities that take place during Id al-Fitr (the end of Ramadan). [7]
- (b) Explain why Muslims celebrate Id al-Fitr (the end of Ramadan). [7]
- (c) 'Religious celebrations should be simple occasions.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 5** (a) Describe the birth rituals of adhan (call to prayer) and aqeeqah (sacrifice) which take place after a baby is born. [7]
- (b) Explain why Muslims believe that life is a test from God. [7]
- (c) 'It might be harder to pass God's test if a person is born wealthy.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 6** (a) Give an account of how Muslims might act to relieve poverty in the local community. [7]
- (b) Explain Islamic teachings about the ummah and caring for others. [7]
- (c) 'Sadaqah (voluntary contributions) and zakah are of equal importance for Muslims.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]

Section C – Judaism

If you have chosen this section answer **all** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

- 7** (a) Describe how Jews observe Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement). [7]
- (b) Explain why Yom Kippur is such a serious day for Jews. [7]
- (c) 'Observing special days is not as important as living according to Jewish Law every day.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 8** (a) Describe how the ketubah (marriage contract) is used in a Jewish marriage. [7]
- (b) Explain the importance of the roles of husband and wife in a Jewish marriage. [7]
- (c) 'Care of the elderly is easier in a family with traditional Jewish values.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 9** (a) Describe the kashrut (kosher) food laws which Jews follow. [7]
- (b) Explain how Jews use food at a Pesach (Passover) meal to represent the escape from Egypt. [7]
- (c) 'Following religious laws does not stop people from making their own decisions.'
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about other points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]

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