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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 7

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Foundations of Ethics with Special Reference to
Issues in Medical Ethics



SRE71

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FRIDAY 25 MAY, MORNING

TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each part question in allocating the available examination time.

Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A.

- 1 (a) "Morality is best served by pursuing happiness."

Examine this statement with particular reference to the views of
Jeremy Bentham and J.S. Mill.

[25]

- (b) Explore the view that medical ethics should only be guided by the quality of life principle.
Justify your answer.

[25]

- 2 (a) Examine the religious and ethical problems presented by embryo research.

[25]

- (b) Assess the claim that developments in reproductive technology should not be hindered
by traditional religious and ethical standards. Justify your answer.

[25]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B.

- 3 (a) In what ways can the Sermon on the Mount provide guidance for the Christian with regard to morality? [25]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, evaluate the view that biblical ethics continues to be relevant for moral decision making. Justify your answer. [25]
- 4 (a) Explain how the doctrine of double effect is relevant to the issue of abortion. [25]
- (b) “The sovereignty of the individual is all that matters in ethics.”
- With reference to other aspects of human experience, assess the truth of this claim. Justify your answer. [25]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
