

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
GCSE (9–1)
J125/01**

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES
(SHORT COURSE)**

**Religion, philosophy and ethics
in the modern world**

MONDAY 14 MAY 2018: Afternoon

**TIME ALLOWED: 2 hours
plus your additional time allowance
MODIFIED ENLARGED 24pt**

YOU MUST HAVE:

**the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet
(OCR12 sent with general stationery)**

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF



INSTRUCTIONS

Answer FOUR questions.

You must answer TWO questions from Section A, ONE from Section B and ONE from Section C.

Use black ink.

INFORMATION

The total mark for this paper is 126.

The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].

Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology (SPaG) will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✎). 6 marks can be awarded for SPaG.

Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).

SECTION A – Beliefs and teachings

Select TWO religions from this section. Answer all parts (a–e) of BOTH of your chosen religions.

1 Christianity

(a) State THREE titles used to describe Jesus. [3]

(b) Outline what Christians mean by the term ‘sin’. [3]

(c) Describe ONE Christian belief about the Second Coming of Christ (Parousia). [3]

(d) Explain what Christians can learn about God from the Genesis narrative. [6]

(e) ‘The best way to live is to follow the example of Jesus.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Analyse and evaluate the importance of points of view, referring to common and divergent views within Christianity

Refer to sources of wisdom and authority.

[15]

 **Spelling, punctuation and grammar**

[3]

2 Islam

- (a) Give THREE of the 99 names of Allah. [3]**
- (b) Outline what Muslims mean by the term ‘angels’. [3]**
- (c) Describe ONE Muslim belief about predestination (al-Qad’r). [3]**
- (d) Explain why Muslims believe the Qur’an is the final message from Allah. [6]**
- (e) ‘The best way to live is to follow the example of the prophets.’**

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Analyse and evaluate the importance of points of view, referring to common and divergent views within Islam

Refer to sources of wisdom and authority.

[15]

 **Spelling, punctuation and grammar**

[3]

3 Judaism

- (a) State THREE characteristics of the Messiah. [3]**
- (b) Outline what Jews mean by the term ‘shekinah’. [3]**
- (c) Describe ONE Jewish belief about the Promised Land. [3]**
- (d) Explain why Jews believe G-d will judge them at the end of the world. [6]**
- (e) ‘The best way to live is to obey the Mitzvot.’**

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Analyse and evaluate the importance of points of view, referring to common and divergent views within Judaism

Refer to sources of wisdom and authority.

[15]

 **Spelling, punctuation and grammar**

[3]

THIS IS THE END OF SECTION A

SECTION B – Relationships and families

**Select ONE of the religions that you answered in Section A.
Answer ALL parts (a–d) of the question on your chosen religion.**

4 Christianity

(a) Outline ONE Christian view about pre-marital sex. [3]

(b) Describe the role of women in Christian families. [6]

(c) Explain how Christian teachings influence views about equality. [6]

(d)*‘Religion should not divide families.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

**Draw on your learning from across your course of study,
including reference to beliefs and teachings within
Christianity**

**Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view
from the perspective of Christianity. [15]**

5 Islam

(a) Outline ONE Muslim view about pre-marital sex. [3]

(b) Describe the role of women in Muslim families. [6]

(c) Explain how Islamic teachings influence views about equality. [6]

(d)*‘Religion should not divide families.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs and teachings within Islam

Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Islam. [15]

6 Judaism

(a) Outline ONE Jewish view about pre-marital sex. [3]

(b) Describe the role of women in Jewish families. [6]

(c) Explain how Jewish teachings influence views about equality. [6]

(d)*‘Religion should not divide families.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs and teachings within Judaism

Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism. [15]

THIS IS THE END OF SECTION B

SECTION C – Dialogue between religious and non-religious beliefs and attitudes

**Select THE SAME religion that you answered in Section B.
Answer ALL parts (a–d) of the question on your chosen religion.**

7 Christianity

(a) Name THREE public holidays based on Christian celebrations. [3]

(b) Describe Christian attitudes towards scientific methods used in Britain to create life.

In your response you must consider the fact that religious traditions in Great Britain are diverse, but mainly Christian. [6]

(c) Explain why Christians have different attitudes towards other religions.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer. [6]

(d)*‘Schools should be secular communities.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs and teachings within Christianity

Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Christianity. [15]

8 Islam

(a) Name THREE public holidays based on Christian celebrations. [3]

(b) Describe Muslim attitudes towards scientific methods used in Britain to create life.

In your response you must consider the fact that religious traditions in Great Britain are diverse, but mainly Christian. [6]

(c) Explain why Muslims have different attitudes towards other religions.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer. [6]

(d)*‘Schools should be secular communities.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs and teachings within Islam

Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Islam. [15]

9 Judaism

(a) Name THREE public holidays based on Christian celebrations. [3]

(b) Describe Jewish attitudes towards scientific methods used in Britain to create life.

In your response you must consider the fact that religious traditions in Great Britain are diverse, but mainly Christian. [6]

(c) Explain why Jews have different attitudes towards other religions.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer. [6]

(d)*‘Schools should be secular communities.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs and teachings within Judaism

Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism. [15]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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