

ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY (AS)
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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 6

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Religious Ethics: Foundations, Principles and Practice

[AR161]

MONDAY 18 JUNE, AFTERNOON



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** 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 question or part question in allocating the available examination time.

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Section A

Answer one question from Section A

1	(a)	Describe the approach of Natural Law theory to moral decision-making.	[35]
	(b)	Comment on the claim that Natural Law theory poses no problems for the Christian believer. Justify your answer.	[15]
2	(a)	Give an account of both religious and non-religious views on euthanasia.	[35]
	(b)	Explore the view that issues surrounding personhood are not central to the euthanasia debate. Justify your answer.	[15]
Section B			
Answer one question from Section B			
3	(a)	Explain some of the religious and moral issues relevant to the development of new reproductive technologies.	[35]
	(b)	With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that all couples should have the right to a child. Justify your answer.	[15]
4	(a)	Give an account of the religious and secular views involved in the contraception debate.	[35]
	(b)	With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the claim that contraception is the answer to the world's population explosion. Justify your answer	[15]