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**RELIGIOUS STUDIES B**

**Paper 2 (Philosophy and Ethics) (Short Course)**

**TUESDAY 18 MAY 2010: Afternoon**

**DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes**

**SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES**

**Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet**

**OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:**

**8 page Answer Booklet**

**OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:**

**None**

**READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF**

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- **Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.**
- **Use black ink.**
- **Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.**
- **Answer ONE question from each of any THREE topics.**
- **Answer THREE questions in total.**
- **You must not answer more than one question from each topic.**

## **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- **The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.**
- **The total number of marks for this paper is 63.**
- **You will be awarded up to 4 marks in the first question you answer for the quality of written communication.**

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## **TOPIC 1 THE NATURE OF GOD**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **1 Christianity**

- (a) Describe some of the reasons why a Christian might believe in God. [8]**
- (b) Explain why the Bible is important to Christians. [7]**
- (c) ‘Belief in God has no place in modern society.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **2 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe some of the reasons why a Hindu might believe in God. [8]**
- (b) Explain why the Vedas are important to Hindus. [7]**
- (c) ‘Belief in God or gods has no place in modern society.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [5]**

### **3 Islam**

- (a) Describe some of the reasons why a Muslim might believe in Allah. [8]**
- (b) Explain why the Qur'an is important to Muslims. [7]**
- (c) 'Belief in Allah has no place in modern society.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]**

### **4 Judaism**

- (a) Describe some of the reasons why a Jew might believe in G-d. [8]**
- (b) Explain why the Torah is important to Jews. [7]**
- (c) 'Belief in G-d has no place in modern society.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your opinion and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [5]**

## **TOPIC 2 THE NATURE OF BELIEF**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **5 Christianity**

- (a) Describe ways in which Christians might worship God. [8]**
- (b) Explain how the design of churches might help believers to worship. [7]**
- (c) ‘Religious art gets in the way of worshipping God.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **6 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe ways in which Hindus might worship God. [8]**
- (b) Explain how the design of mandirs might help believers to worship. [7]**
- (c) ‘Religious art gets in the way of worshipping God.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [5]**

## **7 Islam**

- (a) Describe ways in which Muslims might worship Allah. [8]**
- (b) Explain how the design of mosques might help believers to worship. [7]**
- (c) ‘Religious art gets in the way of worshipping Allah.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]**

## **8 Judaism**

- (a) Describe ways in which Jews might worship G-d. [8]**
- (b) Explain how the design of synagogues might help believers to worship. [7]**
- (c) ‘Religious art gets in the way of worshipping G-d.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [5]**

### **TOPIC 3 RELIGION AND SCIENCE**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

#### **9 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian teachings about people's relationship to the planet. [8]**
- (b) Explain the ideas some Christians might have about scientific theories of the origins of the world. [7]**
- (c) 'Knowing how the world was created is not important.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

#### **10 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe Hindu teachings about people's relationship to the planet. [8]**
- (b) Explain the ideas some Hindus might have about the scientific theories of the origins of the world. [7]**
- (c) 'Knowing how the world was created is not important.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [5]**



## **11 Islam**

- (a) Describe Muslim teachings about people's relationship to the planet. [8]**
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**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]**

## **12 Judaism**

- (a) Describe Jewish teachings about people's relationship to the planet. [8]**
- (b) Explain the ideas some Jews might have about scientific theories of the origins of the world. [7]**
- (c) 'Knowing how the world was created is not important.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [5]**

## **TOPIC 4 DEATH AND THE AFTERLIFE**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **13 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian beliefs about life after death. [8]**
- (b) Explain how funerals might help Christians cope with death. [7]**
- (c) ‘The idea of life after death has no effect on how people live.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **14 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe Hindu beliefs about life after death. [8]**
- (b) Explain how funerals might help Hindus cope with death. [7]**
- (c) ‘The idea of rebirth has no effect on how people live.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [5]**

## **15 Islam**

- (a) Describe Islamic beliefs about life after death. [8]**
- (b) Explain how funerals might help Muslims cope with death. [7]**
- (c) ‘The idea of life after death has no effect on how people live.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]**

## **16 Judaism**

- (a) Describe Jewish beliefs about life after death. [8]**
- (b) Explain how funerals might help Jews cope with death. [7]**
- (c) ‘The idea of life after death has no effect on how people live.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [5]**

## **TOPIC 5 GOOD AND EVIL**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **17 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian beliefs about why there is suffering in the world. [8]**
- (b) Explain how Christians might decide upon the right way to live. [7]**
- (c) ‘There are no such things as evil forces.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **18 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe Hindu beliefs about why there is suffering in the world. [8]**
- (b) Explain how Hindus might decide upon the right way to live. [7]**
- (c) ‘There are no such things as evil forces.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [5]**

## **19 Islam**

- (a) Describe Muslim beliefs about why there is suffering in the world. [8]**
- (b) Explain how Muslims might decide upon the right way to live. [7]**
- (c) ‘There are no such things as evil forces.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]**

## **20 Judaism**

- (a) Describe Jewish beliefs about why there is suffering in the world. [8]**
- (b) Explain how Jews might decide upon the right way to live. [7]**
- (c) ‘There are no such things as evil forces.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [5]**

## **TOPIC 6 RELIGION AND HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **21 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian beliefs about sexual relationships. [8]**
- (b) Explain why some Christians might believe that divorce is wrong. [7]**
- (c) ‘Love is not the most important part of marriage.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **22 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe Hindu beliefs about sexual relationships. [8]**
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- (c) ‘Love is not the most important part of marriage.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [5]**

## **23 Islam**

- (a) Describe Muslim beliefs about sexual relationships. [8]**
- (b) Explain why some Muslims might allow divorce. [7]**
- (c) ‘Love is not the most important part of marriage.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]**

## **24 Judaism**

- (a) Describe Jewish beliefs about sexual relationships. [8]**
- (b) Explain why some Jews might believe that divorce is wrong. [7]**
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## **TOPIC 7 RELIGION AND MEDICAL ETHICS**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **25 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian attitudes to abortion. [8]**
- (b) Explain how a Christian might respond to a woman wanting fertility treatment. [7]**
- (c) 'It's my body and I can do what I like to it.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **26 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe Hindu attitudes to abortion. [8]**
- (b) Explain how a Hindu might respond to a woman wanting fertility treatment. [7]**
- (c) 'It's my body and I can do what I like to it.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Hinduism in your answer. [5]**



## **27 Islam**

- (a) Describe Muslim attitudes to abortion. [8]**
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**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]**

## **28 Judaism**

- (a) Describe Jewish attitudes to abortion. [8]**
- (b) Explain how a Jew might respond to a woman wanting fertility treatment. [7]**
- (c) 'It's my body and I can do what I like to it.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [5]**

## **TOPIC 8 RELIGION AND EQUALITY**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **29 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian attitudes to other religions. [8]**
- (b) Explain why Christians believe that forgiveness is important. [7]**
- (c) ‘All religions are right.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **30 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe Hindu attitudes to other religions. [8]**
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### **32 Judaism**

- (a) Describe Jewish attitudes to other religions. [8]**
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- (c) 'All religions are right.'**

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## **TOPIC 9 RELIGION, POVERTY AND WEALTH**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **33 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian attitudes towards giving to charity. [8]**
- (b) Explain how Christian beliefs could affect a person's choice of occupation. [7]**
- (c) 'There are more important things for Christians to do than looking after the poor.'**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **34 Hinduism**

- (a) Describe Hindu attitudes towards giving to charity. [8]**
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## **TOPIC 10 RELIGION, PEACE AND JUSTICE**

**If you choose one question from this section you must answer all parts (a-c) of the question.**

### **37 Christianity**

- (a) Describe Christian attitudes towards the use of violence. [8]**
- (b) Explain why Christians might support the punishment of criminals. [7]**
- (c) ‘War is never necessary.’**

**Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Christianity in your answer. [5]**

### **38 Hinduism**

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