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RELIGIOUS STUDIES **0490/12**

Paper 1 **October/November 2020**

1 hour 45 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **four** questions in total:
  - You must answer from **two** sections.
  - In each of your chosen sections, you must answer **all** 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 [ ].

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Answer **four** questions in total. You must answer from **two** sections.

Section A – Christianity

If you have chosen this section answer **all** the questions.

1 **(a)** **(i)** Name **three** historical places connected with the story of the life of Jesus. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe what happened to Jesus at **one** of these places. [4]

(b) Explain why believers might visit Christian historical places. [7]

(c) 'Not all Christian historical places are of equal importance to believers.'
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]

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> **'But when you pray, go into your room.'**
>
> Matthew 6:6 [NIV]

(a) **(i)** Give **three** types of private devotion. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe **two** ways in which the Bible is used in public worship. [4]

(b) Explain the importance of the Bible to Christians. [7]

(c) 'Christians should pray only to Jesus.'
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]

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Section B – Islam

If you have chosen this section answer **all** the questions.

3 **(a)** **(i)** Give **three** things known about the early life of Muhammad (pbuh). [3]

(ii) Briefly describe Muhammad's (pbuh) character in his early life. [4]

(b) Explain why Muhammad (pbuh) was persecuted in Makkah. [7]

(c) 'Muslims need the Sunnah (Ahadith) to be able to follow the Qur'an.'
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]

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> **'… and establish regular Prayer…'**
>
> Surah 29:45

(a) **(i)** Name **three** of the times during a day when Muslims pray. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe how salah is performed. [4]

(b) Explain the importance of salah for Muslims. [7]

(c) 'The rituals of prayer are more important than the words.'
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]

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Section C – Judaism

If you have chosen this section answer **all** the questions.

5 **(a)** **(i)** What are mitzvot? [3]

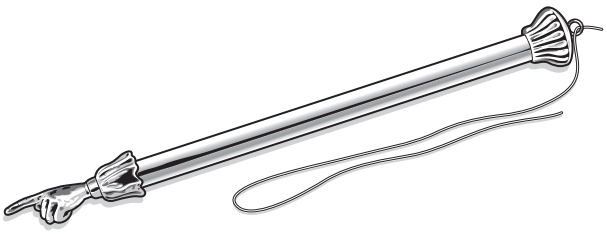
(ii) Briefly describe **one** of the Covenants made between God and the Jews. [4]

(b) Explain why the mitzvot are important to Jews. [7]

(c) 'It is more difficult to obey the mitzvot today.'
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]

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(a) **(i)** Give **three** uses of a synagogue by the community. [3]

(ii) What is the mikvah? [4]

(b) Explain why Jews use symbols and artefacts in worship. [7]

(c) 'Families are the most important way of creating a Jewish community.'
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]

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