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RELIGIOUS STUDIES **0490/22**

Paper 2 **October/November 2021**

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 of the parts of **two** of 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** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

1 **(a)** Give an account of what happened when Jesus was born in Bethlehem. [7]

(b) Explain Christian beliefs about the significance of **one** group that visited the infant Jesus. [7]

(c) 'The teachings in the story of Christmas should be shared with everyone.'
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]

[Total: 20]

2 **(a)** Describe Christian beliefs about the origin **and** authority of the Ten Commandments. [7]

(b) Explain how obeying **two** of the Ten Commandments might affect the behaviour of a Christian. [7]

(c) 'Believers need guidance to help them to understand how to obey the Ten Commandments.'
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]

[Total: 20]

3 **(a)** Describe the different types of charitable acts that Christians might carry out through their local church. [7]

(b) Explain why Christians believe that missionary work is important. [7]

(c) 'A person does not have to be a member of a church to be a good Christian.'
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]

[Total: 20]

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Section B – Islam

If you have chosen this section answer **all** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

4 **(a)** Describe how Muhammad (pbuh) received help during the hijrah. [7]

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

(c) 'The behaviour of Muhammad (pbuh) during the difficult times in Makkah is a perfect lesson for Muslims today.'
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]

[Total: 20]

5 **(a)** Describe the Muslim belief in risalah (Prophets) **and** Angels. [7]

(b) Explain the importance to Muslims of the belief in Tawhid (unity of God). [7]

(c) 'Children should be taught to follow their religion at an early age.'
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]

[Total: 20]

6 **(a)** Describe how the religious duties of zakah **and** sadaqah (voluntary contributions) are carried out. [7]

(b) Explain the importance to Muslims of supporting the work of Muslim aid organisations. [7]

(c) 'All Muslims are equally important in the sight of God.'
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** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

7 **(a)** Describe the Mishnah (oral law) **and** its use as a source of authority. [7]

(b) Explain the purpose of the Talmud (commentary). [7]

(c) 'Studying the Jewish scriptures is the best way for Jews to understand God.'
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]

[Total: 20]

8 **(a)** Describe the work of an international Jewish relief aid agency. [7]

(b) Explain the challenges Jews might face when trying to follow the food laws. [7]

(c) 'Kind actions are the best way to help people in need.'
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]

[Total: 20]

9 **(a)** Describe the religious responsibilities of a woman in a traditional Jewish family. [7]

(b) Explain why the home environment is important in caring for the family in Judaism. [7]

(c) 'Differences of religion should not cause conflict in a marriage.'
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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