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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** types of writings found in the Bible. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe how the Bible is used in church services. [4]

(b) Explain why the Bible is a source of authority for Christians. [7]

(c) 'Reading the Bible is more important than going to church.'
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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> **'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of slavery and out of Egypt. You shall have no other Gods before me.'**
>
> Exodus 20:2–3

(a) **(i)** Name **three** things Christians believe in, according to the Apostles' Creed. [3]

(ii) Outline the birth story of Jesus. [4]

(b) Explain the importance of the resurrection of Jesus for Christians. [7]

(c) 'The Ten Commandments are the most important Christian text.'
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)** What is the relationship between the minaret and the adhan (call to prayer)? [3]

(ii) Briefly describe how Jummah (Friday mid-day) prayers are different from other prayers. [4]

(b) Explain the significance of the muezzin for Muslims. [7]

(c) 'Ordinary people can easily follow the example of the Prophet (pbuh).'
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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4

> **'You who believe, fasting is prescribed for you, as it was for those before you, so that you will become mindful of Allah.'**
>
> Surah 2:183

(a) **(i)** Give **three** things Muslims should avoid during sawm. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe what is meant by the hajj. [4]

(b) Explain why a Muslim might choose to use prayer beads. [7]

(c) 'The persecution of the early Muslims in Makkah is still relevant 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]

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Section C – Judaism

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

5 **(a)** **(i)** Give **three** ways in which the Jewish community might use the synagogue. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe the Sefer Torah (Torah scrolls). [4]

(b) Explain why the minyan (number required for public worship) is important for Jews. [7]

(c) 'Only rabbis need to study the Talmud (commentary).'
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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> **'Every day I will praise your name, and exalt you for ever and ever.'**
>
> Psalm 145:2

(a) **(i)** Name the three daily services held in a synagogue. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe the ritual dress worn by Jews for public worship. [4]

(b) Explain why daily prayer is an important religious practice for Jews. [7]

(c) 'The most important Covenant was between God and Abraham.'
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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