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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)** Give **three** things that happened in the week before the death of Jesus. [3]

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

(b) Explain why some Christians might prefer the symbol of the cross to the symbol of the crucifix. [7]

(c) 'The life of Jesus is more important than his death.'

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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2

'For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.'

John 3:16

(a) **(i)** What is the Apostles' Creed? [3]

(ii) Briefly describe how the power of the Holy Spirit might affect Christians. [4]

(b) Explain how the death of Jesus leads to salvation for Christians. [7]

(c) 'Doing good works is the only way to reach salvation.'

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)** Name **three** places that were part of the hijrah. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe the persecution of the Prophet (pbuh) in Makkah. [4]

(b) Explain why du'a (private devotion) is important to Muslims. [7]

(c) 'The muezzin has the most important role in Muslim worship.'

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

> **'For each person there are angels in succession, before and behind him. They guard him in the name of Allah.'**
>
> Surah 13:11

(a) **(i)** Name **three** features of a mosque. [3]

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

(b) Explain the importance of Angels in Islam. [7]

(c) 'No one Article of Faith is more important than another.'

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)** Name **three** sections of the Talmud (commentary on the Mishnah). [3]

(ii) Briefly describe Jewish rules about clothing. [4]

(b) Explain the significance of ritual dress for Jews today. [7]

(c) 'The Ten Commandments are the most important part of Jewish law.'

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]

6

> **'I form the light and create darkness, I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the Lord, do all these things.'**
>
> Isaiah 45:7

(a) **(i)** Give **three** uses of a synagogue for a Jewish community. [3]

(ii) Briefly describe how the contents of the Mishnah (oral law) are organised. [4]

(b) Explain why the unity of God is important in Judaism. [7]

(c) 'The exact terms of the Covenant do not matter for Jews in the modern world.'

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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