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1 hour 45 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer any **three** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Answer **both** parts of any **three** of the questions.

1 *'Festivals are an important part of religion.'*

- (a) Describe how Christians celebrate Christmas and Muslims celebrate Id ul-Adha. [10]
- (b) Explain why Christmas is an important festival for Christians and Id ul-Adha is an important festival for Muslims. [15]

2 *'Some people think that going on pilgrimage is like going on holiday.'*

- (a) Describe how Muslims perform the Hajj. [10]
- (b) Explain how Muslims benefit from going on pilgrimage. [15]

3 *'Having one special day every week devoted to religion has a positive influence on the whole of the week.'*

- (a) Describe how **both** Christians and Jews make one day every week a special religious day. [10]
- (b) Explain why for **both** Christians and Jews a weekly holy day is important. [15]

4 *'Funerals are more important for the living than for the dead.'*

- (a) Describe the religious practices that take place at the end of life in Judaism. [10]
- (b) Explain why these practices are important for the Jewish community. [15]

5 *'Sacred writings are the most important part of religion.'*

- (a) Describe the types of literature contained in the sacred writings of **both** Christianity and Judaism. [10]
- (b) Explain why **both** these religions consider their sacred writings to be important. [15]

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