

Paper Reference(s)

4425/02

London Examinations IGCSE

Religious Studies

Paper 2

The Religious Community

Monday 18 May 2009 – Morning

Time: 1 hour

Materials required for examination

Answer book (AB08)

Items included with question papers

Nil

Instructions to Candidates

Answer **two** questions. The questions chosen may be about one religion or about two different religions.

In the boxes on the answer book, write your centre number, candidate number, the subject title (Religious Studies), the paper reference (4425/02), your surname, other names and signature.

Write your answers in the answer book. Make sure your answers to parts of questions are clearly numbered. Use additional answer sheets if necessary.

Information for Candidates

The marks for individual questions and the parts of questions are shown in round brackets: e.g. (2).

There are 30 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 40.

There are 8 pages in this question paper. Any blank pages are indicated.

Dictionaries may NOT be used in this examination.

Advice to Candidates

You should spend about 30 minutes on each question.

Write your answers clearly and in good English.

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Answer any TWO questions

Buddhism

1. (a) Describe **one** important mandala used by Buddhists. (10)

(b) Explain why Wesak is an important Buddhist festival. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

2. (a) Outline ways in which lay people may fulfil their duties in Buddhism. (10)

(b) Explain why the Sangha has an important role in Buddhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

3. (a) Outline ways in which Buddhists may follow the teachings about right conduct. (10)

(b) Explain why taking drugs is forbidden in Buddhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

4. (a) Outline how the example of **one** Bodhisattva may influence the lives of Buddhists. (10)

(b) Explain why the Buddha taught that there will always be suffering in the world. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

5. (a) Outline what a Buddhist pilgrim does on a visit to the birthplace of the Buddha. (10)

(b) Explain why the structure of the Vihara is significant in Buddhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Christianity

6. (a) Describe ways in which the rituals of a wedding service reflect the Christian view of marriage. (10)

(b) Explain why funerals are important for Christians. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

7. (a) Describe **two** differing Christian attitudes towards the authority of the Church. (10)

(b) Explain why the hierarchy of the Church is important for many Christians. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

8. (a) Outline ways in which Christians today may follow Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount. (10)

(b) Explain why the Ten Commandments are important for Christians. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

9. (a) Outline the contribution to the development of Christianity of **one** significant Christian. (10)

(b) Explain why discipleship is important in Christianity. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

10. (a) Outline practices associated with **one** Christian place of pilgrimage other than Bethlehem or Jerusalem. (10)

(b) Explain why Jerusalem is an important place of Christian pilgrimage. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Hinduism

11. (a) Outline ways in which Hindus may worship at home. (10)

(b) Explain why images are important in Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

12. (a) Outline the description of Krishna contained in the Bhagavad-Gita. (10)

(b) Explain why the pujari has an important role in the mandir. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

13. (a) Outline ways in which Hindus try to achieve moksha in their lives. (10)

(b) Explain why the principle of ahimsa is important in Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

14. (a) Describe the teaching of Sri Ramakrishna about different religions. (10)

(b) Explain why Shankaracharya is an important teacher in the development of Hinduism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

15. (a) Outline the significance of Varanasi in Hinduism. (10)

(b) Explain how features of a Hindu temple are symbolic of Hindu beliefs. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Islam

16. (a) Outline the rituals which take place after a Muslim person has died. (10)

(b) Explain why Id ul Fitr is an important festival for Muslims. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

17. (a) Describe **two** examples of how the principle of qiyas works in practice. (10)

(b) Explain why the Shari'ah has an important role in Muslim daily life. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

18. (a) Outline what Muslims do to follow **one** of the Five Pillars. (10)

(b) Explain why it is important that some things are halal and haram in Islam. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

19. (a) Describe the teaching in the Prophet's final sermon about the unity of the Islamic community. (10)

(b) Explain why the Prophet is seen as the best example of how to follow the Muslim way of life. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

20. (a) Outline ways in which Muslims demonstrate equality during the Hajj. (10)

(b) Explain why it is important that the mosque is a place of education. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Judaism

21. (a) Outline the rituals associated with a Jewish wedding. (10)

(b) Explain why funerals are important for Jewish people. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

22. (a) Outline ways in which the Beth Din may settle disputes in the Jewish community. (10)

(b) Explain why the Rabbi has an important role in the Jewish community. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

23. (a) Outline the teaching of the Pirkei Avot. (10)

(b) Explain why the home is important for maintaining Jewish beliefs. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

24. (a) Outline the experiences of Moses on Mount Sinai. (10)

(b) Explain why the ruins of the last Temple in Jerusalem are important for Jews today. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

25. (a) Outline ways in which the synagogue is the centre of the Jewish community. (10)

(b) Explain why pilgrimage is important for many Jewish people. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

Sikhism

26. (a) Outline the symbols used in a Sikh marriage. (10)

(b) Explain why the celebration of Baisaki is important for Sikh identity. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

27. (a) Outline different ways in which Sikhs place the Guru Granth Sahib at the centre of their lives. (10)

(b) Explain why the Rahit Maryada has an important role in the Sikh community. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

28. (a) Outline the origin of the Five Ks. (10)

(b) Explain why the principle of sewa is important in Sikhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

29. (a) Outline the experiences of Guru Nanak in the river 'at the Court of God'. (10)

(b) Explain why some of the Gurus suffered persecution during their lives. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

30. (a) Outline the significant features of the Harimandir. (10)

(b) Explain why a place of worship is important in Sikhism. (10)

(Total 20 marks)

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 40 MARKS

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