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Paper 1

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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- You must attempt both Part 1 and Part 2.
- Answer **ONE** question from each of the four **sections in Part 1**, and **any TWO questions from Part 2**.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 130.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- You must attempt both Part 1 and Part 2.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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PART 1 – BELIEFS AND VALUES

There are four sections in this part of the question paper. Answer ONE question from EACH section.

Section A: The universe, human beings and their destiny

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER

- 1 (a) What is **ignorance** in relation to wrongdoing? (2)
- (b) Outline religious teachings about predestination. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that human beings have a soul. (8)
- (d) "There is no need to worry about the state of the planet."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at least **ONE named religion**. (5)

(Total for Question 1 = 20 marks)

OR

- 2 (a) What is **physicalism**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about human destiny. (5)
- (c) Explain why some people believe that violence and war are inevitable features of a world inhabited by human beings. (8)
- (d) "The universe obviously has a purpose."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at least **ONE named religion**. (5)

(Total for Question 2 = 20 marks)



Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross in the box ☒. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☒.

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Section B: Ultimate reality and the meaning of life

Answer ONE question from this section.

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- 3** (a) What is religious **salvation**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its teachings about abortion. (5)
- (c) Explain how evidence of causation in the world may lead to, or support, belief in God. (8)
- (d) "It makes no sense to believe in more than one God."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at least **ONE named religion**. (5)

(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)

OR

- 4** (a) What is the **sanctity of life**? (2)
- (b) Outline non-religious ideas about the meaning of life. (5)
- (c) Explain how religion may help people to cope with the reality of suffering. (8)
- (d) "Only those born and brought up in a religion will be true followers."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at least **ONE named religion**. (5)

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Section C: Relationships, families and children

Answer ONE question from this section.

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- 5** (a) What is **remarriage**? (2)
- (b) Outline **two** differing non-religious attitudes to adultery. (5)
- (c) Explain why some religious people choose to lead celibate lives. (8)
- (d) "Parents can only bring up children properly if they are part of a religious community."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at least **ONE named religion**. (5)

(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

OR

- 6** (a) What is **genetic engineering**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline its attitudes to divorce. (5)
- (c) Explain why religious people have differing attitudes towards homosexuality. (8)
- (d) "Religious people are right to condemn pre-marital sex."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at **ONE named religion**. (5)

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Section D: Rights, equality and responsibilities

Answer ONE question from this section.

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- 7** (a) What is **disability bias**? (2)
- (b) Choose **one** religion. Outline teachings from it which promote racial harmony. (5)
- (c) Explain why both religious and non-religious people should support freedom of opinion and freedom of speech. (8)
- (d) "Charity makes poor people idle."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at least **ONE named religion**. (5)

(Total for Question 7 = 20 marks)

OR

- 8** (a) What is **freedom of religion**? (2)
- (b) Outline, using examples, the growth of equal rights and opportunities for women in society. (5)
- (c) Explain why many religious people support religious pluralism. (8)
- (d) "A multi-ethnic society produces more benefits than problems."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to at least **ONE named religion**. (5)

(Total for Question 8 = 20 marks)

TOTAL FOR PART 1 = 80 MARKS



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PART 2: THE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY

There are 18 questions in this part of the question paper. Answer any TWO questions.

Section A: Buddhism

9 (a) Outline the role of lay people in Buddhism. (10)

(b) Explain why the Sutta Pitaka is regarded as the most important basket of teaching in the Tripitaka. (10)

(c) "A monk's life is a selfish one."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Buddhism**. (5)

(Total for Question 9 = 25 marks)

10 (a) Outline **three** aspects of right conduct in Buddhism. (10)

(b) Explain why the guidance given in the Noble Eightfold Path matters so much for Buddhists today. (10)

(c) "Seeking spiritual enlightenment is just a way of avoiding life's challenges."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Buddhism**. (5)

(Total for Question 10 = 25 marks)

11 (a) Outline **three** activities which take place during the celebration of Wesak. (10)

(b) Explain why meditation is important in Buddhism. (10)

(c) "You need to be ordained in order to be an effective religious leader."
Do you agree?
Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Buddhism**. (5)

(Total for Question 11 = 25 marks)



Section B: Christianity

12 (a) Outline **three** of the events leading up to the death of Jesus. (10)

(b) Explain why the temptations of Jesus are still significant for Christians. (10)

(c) "No ordinary human being could ever follow the example of Jesus."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Christianity**.

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(Total for Question 12 = 25 marks)

13 (a) Outline Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount about fasting. (10)

(b) Explain why the Tenth Commandment (not to covet anything that belongs to other people) is an essential part of the Christian way of life. (10)

(c) "Jesus' teaching, in the Sermon of the Mount, about not being anxious is impossible to follow today."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Christianity**.

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(Total for Question 13 = 25 marks)

14 (a) Describe **two** differing Christian views about the authority of the Bible. (10)

(b) Explain why the individual conscience is important for Christians. (10)

(c) "People need a religion to tell them what is right or wrong."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Christianity**.

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(Total for Question 14 = 25 marks)



Section C: Hinduism

15 (a) Outline any **two** important Hindu teachings found in Sruti texts. (10)

(b) Explain why Smriti texts are so important in Hinduism. (10)

(c) "All the evidence suggests that people are reborn again and again."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Hinduism**.

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(Total for Question 15 = 25 marks)

16 (a) Outline Hindu teachings about kama and artha. (10)

(b) Explain why the goal of Hindus is to achieve moksha. (10)

(c) "Moksha is nothing more than the hope of escaping from life's hardships."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Hinduism**.

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(Total for Question 16 = 25 marks)

17 (a) Outline **three** practices which Hindu pilgrims perform when they visit the source of the Ganges. (10)

(b) Explain why temples play an important part in Hinduism. (10)

(c) "Every religious person ought to go on a pilgrimage."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Hinduism**.

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(Total for Question 17 = 25 marks)



SECTION D: Islam

18 (a) Describe, with examples, how the principles of ijma **and** qiyas are used in Islam. (10)

(b) Explain why the Shari'ah is so important for Muslims. (10)

(c) "Religious rules have no role outside religious communities."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Islam**.

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(Total for Question 18 = 25 marks)

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

(b) Explain why knowledge of the Prophet's own life matters for Muslims today. (10)

(c) "What religious leaders teach is more important than how they live their lives."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Islam**.

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(Total for Question 19 = 25 marks)

20 (a) Outline **three** activities that Muslims perform when they fast. (10)

(b) Explain why some things are haram in Islam. (10)

(c) "Rules about fasting and diet are an essential part of a religious life."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Islam**.

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(Total for Question 20 = 25 marks)



Section E: Judaism

21 (a) Describe the origin of the Talmud. (10)

(b) Explain why the Tenakh has so much authority in Judaism. (10)

(c) "Nobody can be certain that any sacred text has been inspired by God."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Judaism**.

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(Total for Question 21 = 25 marks)

22 (a) Outline **three** teachings from the Pirkei Avot. (10)

(b) Explain why dietary laws are important in Judaism. (10)

(c) "The support of the home is essential for sustaining religious belief"

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Judaism**.

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(Total for Question 22 = 25 marks)

23 (a) Outline differing attitudes among Jews to the state of Israel. (10)

(b) Explain why Yad Vashem is important for Jews. (10)

(c) "Religion has no part to play in running a country."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Judaism**.

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(Total for Question 23 = 25 marks)



Section F: Sikhism

24 (a) Outline **three** aspects of the guidance given in the Rahit Maryada about good deeds. (10)

(b) Explain why Sikhs put the Guru Granth Sahib at the centre of their lives. (10)

(c) "Religious people depend too much on their sacred texts for guidance."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Sikhism**.

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(Total for Question 24 = 25 marks)

25 (a) Outline **three** of Guru Nanak's teachings about equality. (10)

(b) Explain why some of the Gurus were persecuted during their lives. (10)

(c) "Only the weak and powerless are in favour of equality."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Sikhism**.

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(Total for Question 25 = 25 marks)

26 (a) Outline **three** features of the Harimandir. (10)

(b) Explain why symbolism is important in the gurdwara. (10)

(c) "A religious community cannot function without a place of worship."

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your opinion, showing that you have considered another point of view. In your answer, you should refer to **Sikhism**.

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