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**Religious, Moral and
Philosophical Studies**

FRIDAY, 8 MAY

1:00 PM – 3:15 PM

Total marks — 60

SECTION 1 — WORLD RELIGION — 20 marks

Attempt ONE Part

SECTION 2 — MORALITY AND BELIEF — 20 marks

Attempt ONE Part

SECTION 3 — RELIGIOUS AND PHILOSOPHICAL QUESTIONS — 20 marks

Attempt ONE Part

Write your answers clearly in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting.

Use **blue** or **black** ink.

Before leaving the examination room you must give your answer booklet to the Invigilator; if you do not you may lose all the marks for this paper.



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Part A — Buddhism

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Buddhism** in the *World Religion* unit.

1. How significant is the life of the Buddha to Buddhists today? 10
2. Explain the purpose of meditation in Buddhism. 10

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Part B — Christianity

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Christianity** in the *World Religion* unit.

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| 3. How significant is the life of Jesus to Christians today? | 10 |
| 4. Explain the purpose of worship in Christianity. | 10 |

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Part C — Hinduism

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Hinduism** in the *World Religion* unit.

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| 5. How significant are beliefs about Brahman to Hindus today? | 10 |
| 6. Explain the purpose of worship in Hinduism. | 10 |

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Part D — Islam

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Islam** in the *World Religion* unit.

7. How significant is the life of Muhammad to Muslims today? 10
8. Explain the purpose of worship in Islam. 10

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Part E — Judaism

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Judaism** in the *World Religion* unit.

9. How significant are beliefs about the Messiah to Jews today? 10
10. Explain the purpose of worship in Judaism. 10

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Part F — Sikhism

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Sikhism** in the *World Religion* unit.

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| 11. | How significant are the teachings of the Gurus to Sikhs today? | 10 |
| 12. | Explain the purpose of worship in Sikhism. | 10 |

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SECTION 2 — MORALITY AND BELIEF — 20 marks

Part A — Religion and Justice

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Religion and Justice** in the *Morality and Belief* unit.

13. Analyse the moral debate surrounding the purposes of punishment. 10
14. “Sentences in the UK are too soft. We need to bring back the death penalty.”
To what extent do you agree? 10

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Part B — Religion and Relationships

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Religion and Relationships** in the *Morality and Belief* unit.

15. Analyse the moral debate surrounding sexual relationships. 10
16. “Marriage is not valued any more. Divorce should be hard to obtain.”
To what extent do you agree? 10

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Part C — Religion, Environment and Global Issues

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Religion, Environment and Global Issues** in the *Morality and Belief* unit.

17. Analyse the moral debate surrounding environmental crises. 10
18. “Developing countries should not have to depend on charitable work. Every wealthy country is obliged to support developing countries.”
To what extent do you agree? 10

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Part D — Religion, Medicine and the Human Body

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Religion, Medicine and the Human Body** in the *Morality and Belief* unit.

19. Analyse the moral debate surrounding the status of embryos. 10
20. “Palliative care achieves little. Euthanasia must be legalised.”
To what extent do you agree? 10

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Part E — Religion and Conflict

Attempt all the questions in this part if you have studied **Religion and Conflict** in the *Morality and Belief* unit.

21. Analyse the moral debate surrounding causes of war. 10
22. “Pacifism achieves nothing. War is the right response when faced with aggression.”
To what extent do you agree? 10

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SECTION 3 — RELIGIOUS AND PHILOSOPHICAL QUESTIONS — 20 marks

Part A — The Origins of Life

Attempt the question in this part if you have studied **The Origins of Life** in the *Religious and Philosophical Questions* unit.

23. “It is reasonable to believe that God created the universe.”

Discuss. In your answer you should present a reasoned and well-structured view.

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Part B — The Existence of God

Attempt the question in this part if you have studied **The Existence of God** in the *Religious and Philosophical Questions* unit.

24. “It is reasonable to believe that God exists.”

Discuss. In your answer you should present a reasoned and well-structured view.

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Part C — The Problem of Evil and Suffering

Attempt the question in this part if you have studied **The Problem of Evil and Suffering** in the *Religious and Philosophical Questions* unit.

25. “It is reasonable to believe that God would permit suffering and evil.”

Discuss. In your answer you should present a reasoned and well-structured view.

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Part D — Miracles

Attempt the question in this part if you have studied **Miracles** in the *Religious and Philosophical Questions* unit.

26. “It is reasonable to believe that miracles happen.”

Discuss. In your answer you should present a reasoned and well-structured view.

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