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Paper 1

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1 hour 45 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Choose **two** of Sections A, B and C and answer **all** the questions in each of your chosen sections.

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

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Section A – Christianity

If you have chosen this section answer **all** the questions.

- 1 (a) (i) Name **three** types of literature found in the Old Testament. [3]
- (ii) Briefly describe the content of **two** of these types of literature. [4]
- (b) Explain why the Old Testament might be important to Christians. [7]
- (c) 'Only the New Testament is relevant to Christians.'
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]

2

'In the sixth month ... God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee ...'

Luke 1:26 [NIV]

- (a) (i) Whom did the angel Gabriel visit **and** what was his message? [3]
- (ii) Briefly describe the visit of the Magi (Wise Men) to Bethlehem. [4]
- (b) Explain the significance of the visit of the Magi for Christians. [7]
- (c) 'Christmas is more important than Easter.'
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]

Section B – Islam

If you have chosen this section answer **all** the questions.

- 3** **(a)** **(i)** Who should practise Sawm (fasting) **and** who can be excused? [3]
- (ii)** Briefly describe when **and** how Sawm is practised. [4]
- (b)** Explain why it is important for Muslims to fast. [7]
- (c)** ‘Sawm is the most important act of faith.’
 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]

4

<p>‘... but [he is] the Messenger of God, and the Seal of the Prophets ...’</p> <p>Surah 33:40</p>

- (a)** **(i)** Name **three** prophets mentioned in the Qur’an (**not** including Muhammad (pbuh)). [3]
- (ii)** Briefly describe what is written in the Qur’an about **one** of the prophets you have
 chosen. [4]
- (b)** Explain why belief in prophets is important for Muslims. [7]
- (c)** ‘Belief in prophets is more important than belief in angels.’
 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]

Section C – Judaism

If you have chosen this section answer **all** the questions.

- 5 (a) (i) What are the **three** divisions of the Tenakh? [3]
- (ii) Briefly describe **two** of the divisions you have mentioned. [4]
- (b) Explain the importance of the Talmud to Jews. [7]
- (c) 'Written traditions are more important than oral traditions.'
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]

6

**'These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.
Impress them on your children ... Tie them as symbols ...'**

Deuteronomy 6:6–8 [NIV]

- (a) (i) Name **three** items which are ritual dress for prayer for Jews. [3]
- (ii) Briefly describe **two** of these items. [4]
- (b) Explain why wearing ritual dress is important for some Jews. [7]
- (c) 'Rituals distract from true worship.'
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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