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**RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

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Paper 1

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**1 hour 45 minutes**

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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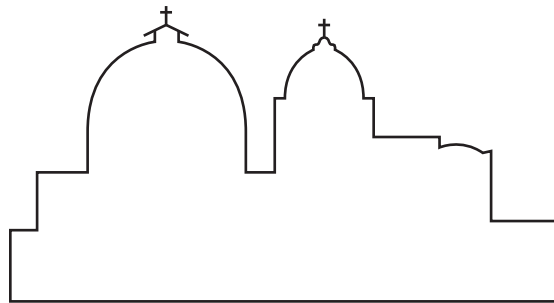
Choose **two** of Sections A, B and C and answer **all** the questions in each of your chosen sections.

### Section A – Christianity

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

- 1 (a) (i) What is a commandment? [3]
- (ii) Give **four** of the Ten Commandments. [4]
- (b) Explain the importance of the Ten Commandments to Christians. [7]
- (c) ‘Christians should follow rules which are more suitable for the modern world.’  
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]

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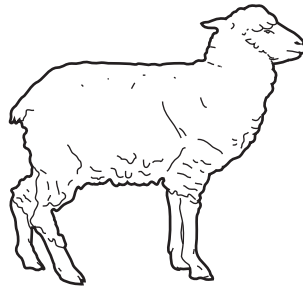
- (a) (i) What makes Jerusalem a place of pilgrimage for Christians? [3]
- (ii) Describe **one** other place of Christian pilgrimage. [4]
- (b) Explain why a Christian might wish to go on pilgrimage. [7]
- (c) ‘Christians should help their local communities rather than travelling the world.’  
Discuss 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) In the first revelation.
- (i) Why was Muhammad (pbuh) in the cave at Hira? [3]
  - (ii) What was the role of the angel? [4]
- (b) Explain the importance of jihad for Muslims. [7]
- (c) 'Islamic teachings are too strict for modern society.'  
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [6]

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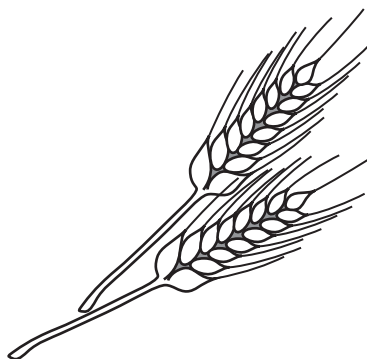
- (a) (i) What is Id al-Adha? [3]
  - (ii) What do Muslims do at this time? [4]
- (b) Explain why Muslims celebrate festivals. [7]
- (c) 'Religion should not affect every part of a person's life.'  
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about different points of 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 is the Torah? [3]
- (ii) State **four** Jewish beliefs about the nature of God. [4]
- (b) Explain the importance for Jews of the Ketuvim (Writings). [7]
- (c) 'It is impossible to fully understand the will of God.'  
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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- (a) What is celebrated at
- (i) Shavuot? [3]
- (ii) Sukkot? [4]
- (b) Explain why festivals are important to Jews. [7]
- (c) 'Money spent visiting historic places would be better spent on helping the poor.'  
Discuss this statement. Give your own opinion and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Judaism in your answer. [6]

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