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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 **two** of 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** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

- 1 (a) Give an account of the event that is celebrated at Pentecost. [7]
- (b) Explain Christian beliefs about the importance of the Holy Spirit. [7]
- (c) 'Easter is the only festival that Christians should celebrate.'
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]

[Total: 20]

- 2 (a) Describe **one** place of Christian pilgrimage where a person experienced a vision or a miracle. [7]
- (b) Explain the benefits that might be gained through Christian pilgrimage. [7]
- (c) 'Visiting holy places gives people false hope.'
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]

[Total: 20]

- 3 (a) Describe some of the different ways in which Christians try to help others in the community. [7]
- (b) Explain the Christian teachings about love and concern for others. [7]
- (c) 'Christians should concentrate on helping those who deserve to be helped.'
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]

[Total: 20]

Section B – Islam

If you have chosen this section answer **all** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

- 4** (a) Describe the rituals performed by pilgrims at the Ka'ba during Hajj. [7]
- (b) Explain the importance of Madinah for Muslims. [7]
- (c) 'Completing Hajj makes a believer a true Muslim.'
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]
- [Total: 20]
- 5** (a) Describe the event that is remembered on Lailat ul-Qadr (Night of Power). [7]
- (b) Explain why celebrating festivals is important in Islam. [7]
- (c) 'Prayer in the family home is equal to prayer in the mosque.'
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]
- [Total: 20]
- 6** (a) Give an account of how **one** Islamic international aid organisation provides relief from poverty. [7]
- (b) Explain the teachings in Islam about love and concern for others. [7]
- (c) 'Rules about Zakah should only apply to the rich.'
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]
- [Total: 20]

Section C – Judaism

If you have chosen this section answer **all** of the parts in **two** of the questions.

- 7 (a) Describe the different foods on the Seder plate at Pesach (Passover) and what they represent. [7]
- (b) Explain why Pesach is celebrated by the whole family. [7]
- (c) 'Judaism concentrates too much on past events.'
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]
- [Total: 20]

- 8 (a) Describe the coming of age ceremony for Jewish boys. [7]
- (b) Explain why some Jews might celebrate the coming of age of girls. [7]
- (c) 'It is difficult to bring up a child in Judaism today.'
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]
- [Total: 20]

- 9 (a) Describe the Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem. [7]
- (b) Explain why Rosh Hashanah (New Year) is an important festival for Jews. [7]
- (c) 'Kind actions are not just a religious duty.'
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]
- [Total: 20]

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