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COURSE CODE: REL 111
COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF RELIGIONS
INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO
TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS

1. The relevance of religion has been put to test with the insurgence of various violence which often tarnishes the benefit religion ought to enjoy within the society. In this regard, it has been argued that religion is incompatible with the social order and no more relevant. Discuss this in view of your understanding of the subject matter.
2. If you were given the opportunity to define religion, how will you do this considering the complexities that undermine its universal appeal?
3. As a stranger in a place and you have the mandate to study their religion, how best will you go about this task?
4. (a) Religion is not only complex but ambiguous. Dilate on the ambiguities in the study of religion.
(b) Examine the various factors militating against the effective study of religion
5. There are different theories that have been propounded to explain the origin of religion. How best do these theories explain the origin of religion? Discuss with at least two theories to buttress your argument.