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**X864/77/11**

**Religious, Moral and  
Philosophical Studies**

MONDAY, 16 MAY

9:00 AM – 12:00 NOON

**Total marks — 90**

**SECTION 1 — PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION — 45 marks**

Attempt **EITHER** question 1 **OR** question 2 **OR** question 3

**THEN** attempt question 4.

**SECTION 2 — 45 marks**

Attempt **EITHER** Part A **OR** Part B

**Part A — RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE — 45 marks**

Attempt **EITHER** question 5 **OR** question 6 **OR** question 7

**THEN** attempt question 8

**Part B — MEDICAL ETHICS — 45 marks**

Attempt **EITHER** question 9 **OR** question 10 **OR** question 11

**THEN** attempt question 12.

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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## SECTION 1 — PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION — 45 marks

Attempt EITHER question 1 OR question 2 OR question 3 THEN attempt question 4

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| 1. To what extent is the God of classical theism incoherent?                                | 30 |
| 2. To what extent is Paley's argument from design successful?                               | 30 |
| 3. To what extent is Leibniz's argument from the principle of sufficient reason successful? | 30 |

Read the following source and attempt question 4.

'There seems to be no more design in the variability of organic beings and in the action of natural selection, than in the way the wind blows.'

*Charles Darwin*

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| 4. (a) Describe what is meant by the Teleological argument. | 5 |
| (b) Analyse this source.                                    | 5 |
| (c) Evaluate this source.                                   | 5 |

## SECTION 2 — 45 marks

## Part A — Religious Experience

Attempt this part if you have studied Religious Experience.

Attempt EITHER question 5 OR question 6 OR question 7 THEN attempt question 8.

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| 5. 'Otto's ideas about religious experience are the most convincing.'<br>To what extent do you agree?      | 30 |
| 6. 'Miracles are the most convincing evidence for religious experience.'<br>To what extent do you agree?   | 30 |
| 7. 'Scientific accounts of religious experiences are the most convincing.'<br>To what extent do you agree? | 30 |

Read the following source and attempt question 8.

'All at once I . . . felt the presence of God . . . I tell of the thing just as I was conscious of it — as if his goodness and his power were penetrating me altogether . . . God was present, though invisible; he fell under not one of my senses, yet my consciousness perceived him.'

*Philosophy of Religion: An Introduction*

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| 8. (a) Describe what is meant by religious experience. | 5 |
| (b) Analyse this source.                               | 5 |
| (c) Evaluate this source.                              | 5 |

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## Part B — Medical Ethics

Attempt this part if you have studied Medical Ethics.

Attempt **EITHER** question 9 **OR** question 10 **OR** question 11 **THEN** attempt question 12.

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| <p>9. ‘The sanctity of life is central to end of life care decisions.’<br/>To what extent do you agree?</p> | 30 |
| <p>10. ‘The sanctity of life is central to organ procurement.’<br/>To what extent do you agree?</p>         | 30 |
| <p>11. ‘The sanctity of life is central to the abortion debate.’<br/>To what extent do you agree?</p>       | 30 |

Read the following source and attempt question 12.

‘... if the foetus is not a person, how can it be seriously wrong to destroy it?’

*Michael Tooley*

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| <p>12. (a) Describe what is meant by the beginning of life.</p> | 5 |
| <p>(b) Analyse this source.</p>                                 | 5 |
| <p>(c) Evaluate this source.</p>                                | 5 |

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