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**Religious, Moral and
Philosophical Studies**

THURSDAY, 11 MAY

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Total marks — 80

SECTION 1 — WORLD RELIGION — 26 marks

Attempt ONE part.

SECTION 2 — MORALITY AND BELIEF — 27 marks

Attempt ONE part.

SECTION 3 — RELIGIOUS AND PHILOSOPHICAL QUESTIONS — 27 marks

Attempt ONE part.

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 — WORLD RELIGION

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Part A — Buddhism

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Buddhism**.

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| 1. Describe one of the Three Jewels. | 4 |
| 2. Explain what Buddhists believe about Samsara. | 6 |
| 3. <i>'Kamma is unavoidable.'</i>
How might this belief impact Buddhists? | 4 |
| 4. (a) Describe two steps of the Eightfold Path. | 4 |
| (b) <i>'The world would be a better place if everyone followed the Eightfold Path.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part B — Christianity

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Christianity**.

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| 5. | Describe Christian belief about Jesus as an incarnation. | 4 |
| 6. | Explain what Christians believe about heaven and hell. | 6 |
| 7. | <i>'Humans are created in God's likeness.'</i>
How might this belief impact Christians? | 4 |
| 8. | (a) Describe two of Jesus' teachings. | 4 |
| | (b) <i>'The world would be a better place if everyone followed the teachings and example of Jesus.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part C — Hinduism

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Hinduism**.

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| 9. | Describe Krishna's role as an avatar. | 4 |
| 10. | Explain what Hindus believe about Samsara. | 6 |
| 11. | <i>'Karma is unavoidable.'</i>
How might this belief impact Hindus? | 4 |
| 12. | (a) Describe two ways Hindus follow Dharma. | 4 |
| | (b) <i>'Dharma makes the world a better place.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part D — Islam

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied Islam.

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| 13. | Describe the role of Muhammed in Islam. | 4 |
| 14. | Explain what Muslims believe about Al-Jannah and Jahannam. | 6 |
| 15. | <i>'Humans are Khaliphas (stewards).'</i>
How might this belief impact Muslims? | 4 |
| 16. | (a) Describe two ways Muslims live according to the Qu'ran. | 4 |
| | (b) <i>'The world would be a better place if everyone lived according to the Qur'an.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part E — Judaism

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Judaism**.

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| 17. | Describe Jewish belief about 'Messiah'. | 4 |
| 18. | Explain what Jews believe about Olam Ha-Ba. | 6 |
| 19. | <i>'Humans have free will.'</i>
How might this belief impact Jews? | 4 |
| 20. | (a) Describe two ways Jews live according to the Torah. | 4 |
| | (b) <i>'The world would be a better place if everyone lived according to the Torah.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part F — Sikhism

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Sikhism**.

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| 21. | Describe belief about the Guru Granth Sahib. | 4 |
| 22. | Explain what Sikhs believe about the Five Evils. | 6 |
| 23. | <i>'Humans have free will.'</i>
How might this belief impact Sikhs? | 4 |
| 24. | (a) Describe two of the Gurus' teachings. | 4 |
| | (b) <i>'The world would be a better place if everyone followed the Gurus' teachings.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part A — Morality and justice

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Morality and justice**.

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| 25. (a) Describe two types of sentencing in the UK. | 4 |
| (b) Explain two moral issues raised by sentencing in the UK. | 6 |
| 26. Describe different purposes of punishment. | 5 |
| 27. <i>'You can't be religious and support retribution.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 28. <i>'Capital punishment is not morally acceptable in the modern world.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part B — Morality and relationships

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Morality and relationships**.

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| 29. (a) Describe two forms of exploitation. | 4 |
| (b) Explain two moral issues raised by exploitation. | 6 |
| 30. What might people say about the purpose of sex? | 5 |
| 31. <i>'You can't be religious and support same sex relationships.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 32. <i>'Gender roles are not morally acceptable in the modern world.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part C — Morality, environment and global issues

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Morality, environment and global issues**.

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| 33. (a) Describe two types of natural resources. | 4 |
| (b) Explain two moral issues raised by the management of natural resources. | 6 |
| 34. Describe different causes of poverty. | 5 |
| 35. <i>'You can't be religious and ignore poverty.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 36. <i>'Wealthy nations have a moral duty to provide aid.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part D — Morality, medicine and the human body

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Morality, medicine and the human body**.

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| 37. (a) Describe two types of euthanasia. | 4 |
| (b) Explain two moral issues raised by euthanasia. | 6 |
| 38. Describe the role of hospices. | 5 |
| 39. <i>'You can't be religious and support personal autonomy.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 40. <i>'The law should give people the right to die.'</i>
How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part E — Morality and conflict

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Morality and conflict**.

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| 41. (a) Describe two types of war. | 4 |
| (b) Explain two moral issues raised by war. | 6 |
| 42. How might people justify going to war? | 5 |
| 43. 'You can't be <i>religious</i> and support war.' | |
| Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 44. 'Diplomacy is the only moral alternative to war.' | |
| How far do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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Part A — Origins

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Origins**.

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| 45. What might scientists believe about the origin of the universe? | 5 |
| 46. Describe one creation story. | 5 |
| 47. <i>'Religious people should read creation stories literally.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 48. Explain the theory of evolution. | 5 |
| 49. <i>'You need science and religion to understand origins.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

Part B — The existence of God

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **The existence of God**.

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| 50. | What might people believe about the nature of God? | 5 |
| 51. | Explain Paley's teleological argument. | 5 |
| 52. | <i>'People should accept Paley's teleological argument.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 53. | Explain the cosmological argument. | 5 |
| 54. | <i>'Science fully supports the arguments for the existence of God.'</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

Part C — The problem of suffering and evil

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **The problem of suffering and evil**.

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| 55. | What might people believe about the nature of God? | 5 |
| 56. | Explain one theodicy you have studied. | 5 |
| 57. | <i>‘Religious people should just accept suffering.’</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 58. | How might determinists explain suffering and evil? | 5 |
| 59. | <i>‘Free will provides a complete explanation for suffering and evil.’</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

Part D — Miracles

Attempt ALL the questions in this part if you have studied **Miracles**.

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| 60. | What might people believe about divine intervention? | 5 |
| 61. | Describe one healing miracle from scripture. | 5 |
| 62. | <i>‘Religious people should read scriptural miracles literally.’</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 4 |
| 63. | Explain what is meant by the laws of nature. | 5 |
| 64. | <i>‘You need science and religion to understand miracles.’</i>
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer. | 8 |

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