GCSE – NEW
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RELIGIOUS STUDIES – Unit 1

PART A – Core Beliefs, Teachings and Practices
- Christianity
- Judaism

PART B – Religious Responses to Philosophical Themes
- Theme 1: Life and Death
- Theme 2: Good and Evil

MONDAY, 14 MAY 2018 – AFTERNOON
2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES
Answer all questions.
Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do not use gel pen. Do not use correction fluid.
Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.
Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. If you run out of space, use the additional page(s) at the back of the booklet taking care to number the question(s) correctly.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES
The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.
Your ability to spell, punctuate and use accurate grammar is assessed in question 1(d).
You are expected to use specialist terminology accurately and make reference to sources of religious wisdom and authority (including religious texts), where relevant.
1. (a) What do Christians mean by ‘incarnation’? [2]

(b) Describe Jesus’ teachings on treasure and wealth. [5]
(c) Explain Christian beliefs about the nature of humanity. [8]
(d) ‘Prayer is the most important activity for Christians.'

Discuss this statement showing that you have considered more than one point of view. (You must refer to religion and belief in your answer.)

Marks for spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar are allocated to this question.
2. (a) What do Jews mean by ‘Shema’? [2]

(b) Describe Jewish teachings about God. [5]
(c) Explain the ways in which Jews celebrate Shabbat in the home. [8]
(d) ‘Jewish food laws are easy to follow.’

Discuss this statement showing that you have considered more than one point of view. (You must refer to religion and belief in your answer.) [15]
PART B – Religious Responses to Philosophical Themes

Theme 1: Life and Death

3. (a) What is meant by ‘quality of life’? [2]

(b) Describe, from Christianity or Judaism, attitudes to environmental responsibility. [5]
(c) Explain Christian and Jewish beliefs about life after death. [8]
(d) ‘Religious stories about the creation of the universe are no longer important.’

Discuss this statement showing that you have considered more than one point of view. (You must refer to religious and non-religious beliefs, such as those held by Humanists and Atheists, in your answer.)
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Theme 2: Good and Evil

4. (a) What is meant by ‘justice’? [2]

(b) Describe the work of prison chaplains. [5]
(c) Explain Christian and Jewish attitudes to taking part in a conflict.
(d) ‘Religious beliefs cannot help those who are suffering.’

Discuss this statement showing that you have considered more than one point of view.
(You must refer to religion and belief in your answer.) [15]