



GCSE



C120U90-1

WEDNESDAY, 21 MAY 2025 – AFTERNOON

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES Route B –
Component 2**

APPLIED CATHOLIC THEOLOGY

**1 hour 30 minutes plus your additional
time allowance**

Surname _____

First name(s) _____

Centre Number _____

Candidate Number 0 _____

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Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	45	
SPaG	6	
2.	45	
Total	96	

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the front cover.

Answer ALL questions.

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.

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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.

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Answer ALL questions.

1. LIFE AND DEATH

(a) What do Catholics mean by ‘hell’?
[2 marks]

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1 (b) Describe Catholic beliefs about purgatory. [5 marks]

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1 (c) Explain the significance of prayer for Catholics. [8 marks]

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1 (d) (i)

‘Religious funerals are a waste of time and money.’

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 marks]

Marks for spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar are allocated to this question. [6 marks]

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1 (d) (ii)

‘Everyone should be allowed to decide when they want to die.’

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 marks]

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2. SIN AND FORGIVENESS

**(a) (i) What do Catholics mean by
‘absolutism’? [2 marks]**

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2 (a) (ii)

**What do Catholics mean by
'salvation'? [2 marks]**

2 (b) (i)

Describe Catholic teachings on punishment. [5 marks]

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2 (b) (ii)

Describe Catholic teachings on evangelisation. [5 marks]

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2 (c) (i)

Explain the significance of the Eucharist to Catholics. [8 marks]

2 (c) (ii)

**Explain the importance of the altar
AND the font for Catholics. [8 marks]**

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2 (d) ‘Everyone deserves forgiveness.’

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 marks]

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