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2 hours, plus your additional time allowance

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, centre number and candidate number on the top of your first answer sheet.

Answer **all** questions.

Take 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.

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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. Issues of Relationships

(a) What is meant by 'commitment'? [6 print lines] [2 marks]

(b) Describe **two** reasons religious believers might have for disagreeing with the use of contraception. [15 lines] [5 marks]

(c) Explain, from **either two** religions **or two** religious traditions, attitudes to divorce. [1 page] [8 marks]

(d) 'Men and women will never have equal roles in worship.'

Discuss this statement, showing that you have considered more than one point of view. (You must refer to religion and belief in your answer.) [2 pages] [15 marks]

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

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2. Issues of Life and Death

(a) What is meant by 'soul'? [6 lines] [2 marks]

(b) Describe the beliefs of Charles Darwin about evolution. [15 lines] [5 marks]

(c) Explain, from **either two** religions **or two** religious traditions, beliefs about being responsible for the environment. [1 page] [8 marks]

(d) 'Abortion should only be allowed when the mother's life is at risk.'

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.) [2 pages] [15 marks]

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3. Issues of Good and Evil

(a) What is meant by 'sin'? [6 lines] [2 marks]

(b) Describe **two** causes of crime. [15 lines] [5 marks]

(c) Explain, from **either two** religions **or two** religious traditions, attitudes to the death penalty. [1 page] [8 marks]

(d) 'If God exists then there should be no 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.) [2 pages] [15 marks]

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4. Issues of Human Rights

(a) What is meant by 'discrimination'? [6 lines] [2 marks]

(b) Describe reasons that religious believers might have for disagreeing with religious extremism. [15 lines] [5 marks]

(c) Explain, from **either two** religions **or two** religious traditions, how human rights are promoted. [1 page] [8 marks]

(d) 'All religious believers should give money to charity.'

Discuss this statement, showing that you have considered more than one point of view.

(You must refer to religion and belief in your answer.) [2 pages] [15 marks]

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