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QUALIFICATIONS 2009

MONDAY, 1 JUNE
1.00 PM – 2.45 PM

RELIGIOUS STUDIES
STANDARD GRADE
Credit Level

Instructions to the Candidate

Answer Section A (Christianity)

and

Section E (Issues of Belief and Morality)

and

One other Section (B or C or D)



SECTION A—CHRISTIANITY

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1. (a) Describe fully **two** of Jesus’ miracles.

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(b) How far do you think it is possible for Christians to believe in miracles in the 21st Century?

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2. (a) Describe what happens at a **Christian** funeral service.

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(b) “Christian funerals are sad occasions, but it should also be a time of celebration.”

To what extent do you agree with this statement?

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[END OF SECTION A]

SECTION B—HINDUISM

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3. (a) Describe Hindu beliefs about the nature of God.

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(b) In 2007 the Indian government were asked to apologise for saying the Ramayana was just a story.

To what extent do you agree that Hindu stories about God are too far fetched to have any real meaning today?

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4. (a) Explain what happens **during** puja in a temple.

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(b) Puja takes place on a daily basis.

Do you think daily worship is helpful for Hindus living in Scotland today?

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[END OF SECTION B]

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SECTION C—ISLAM

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5. (a) Muslims believe that God is Immanent and the Judge.
Explain these **two** terms.

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(b) “A God that judges is frightening.”
To what extent do you agree with this statement?

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6. (a) Why is the Shahadah seen as the most important Pillar in Islam?

6

(b) “Religion should be about what you do rather than what you say.”
To what extent would a Muslim agree with this statement?

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[END OF SECTION C]

SECTION D—JUDAISM

Marks

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7. (a) Describe what happens in the days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

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(b) “A God that judges is frightening.”
To what extent do you agree with this statement?

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8. (a) Explain fully what Jewish people mean by Torah.

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(b) How far is it necessary for Jewish people to do exactly what is commanded in the Torah?

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[END OF SECTION D]

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SECTION E—ISSUES OF BELIEF AND MORALITY

Marks

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9. (a) “Religious experiences prove God is real!”

Explain why some people **reject** this statement.

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(b) How far do you agree that the existence of good people proves the existence of God?

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10. (a) Explain how religion helps its followers to make moral decisions.

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(b) “There is no such thing as right and wrong. Everything depends on the situation.”

To what extent do you agree with this statement?

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