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# Religious Studies

## Unit 3: Religion and life based on a study of Roman Catholic Christianity

Monday 11 May 2015 – Morning  
**Time: 1 hour 30 minutes**

Paper Reference

**5RS03/01**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **ONE** question from each of the **four** sections.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 84.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk** (\*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed  
– *you should take particular care on these questions with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*
- The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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## SECTION 1 – BELIEVING IN GOD

You must answer **ONE** question from this section.

**YOU WILL BE ASSESSED ON YOUR SPELLING, PUNCTUATION AND GRAMMAR IN THIS SECTION.**

**EITHER**

- 1** (a) What does **omniscient** mean? (2)
- (b) Do you think that everyone should have a religious upbringing?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain how religious experiences may lead people to believe in God. (8)
- (d) "Suffering proves God does not exist."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

**(Total for spelling, punctuation and grammar = 4 marks)**

**(Total for Question 1 = 24 marks)**

**OR**

- 2** (a) What is **prayer**? (2)
- (b) Do you think God designed the world?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain how television programmes and/or radio programmes and/or films might affect a person's belief in God. (8)
- (d) "Miracles cannot happen today."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

**(Total for spelling, punctuation and grammar = 4 marks)**

**(Total for Question 2 = 24 marks)**



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## SECTION 2 – MATTERS OF LIFE AND DEATH

You must answer **ONE** question from this section.

### EITHER

- 3** (a) What does **voluntary euthanasia** mean? (2)
- (b) Do you think the media should be allowed to criticise what religions say about matters of life and death?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain why CAFOD is trying to end world poverty. (8)
- (d) "Everyone should believe in life after death."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for Question 3 = 20 marks)

### OR

- 4** (a) What is **reincarnation**? (2)
- (b) Do you think people cause world poverty?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain how Roman Catholic beliefs about life after death affect the way they live. (8)
- (d) "Abortion should always be allowed."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for Question 4 = 20 marks)



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### SECTION 3 – MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY

You must answer ONE question from this section.

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- 5 (a) What is meant by a **re-constituted family**? (2)
- (b) Do you think sex outside marriage is acceptable?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain why some Christians accept divorce. (8)
- (d) "It is wrong to use contraception."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for Question 5 = 20 marks)

#### OR

- 6 (a) What is meant by **re-marriage**? (2)
- (b) Do you think attitudes towards homosexuality have changed?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain how the purposes of marriage are shown in the Roman Catholic wedding ceremony. (8)
- (d) "Divorce is bad for family life."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for Question 6 = 20 marks)



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## SECTION 4 – RELIGION AND COMMUNITY COHESION

You must answer **ONE** question from this section.

**EITHER**

- 7** (a) What is meant by **religious freedom**? (2)
- (b) Do you think men and women should have equal rights in religion?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain why there are differences among Christians in their attitudes to other religions. (8)
- (d) "The government needs to do more to encourage community cohesion."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

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(Total for Question 7 = 20 marks)

**OR**

- 8** (a) What is meant by **prejudice**? (2)
- (b) Do you think that living in a multi-ethnic society reduces racism?  
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- \*(c) Explain why interfaith marriages could cause problems for religious people. (8)
- (d) "All religious people should try to convert others to their religion."  
In your answer you should refer to Roman Catholic Christianity.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

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