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#### **General Marking Guidance**

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

Although the assessment objectives are weighted separately, they are inter-related.

AO1 requires informed insight and awareness of differing viewpoints, and AO2 requires knowledge and understanding of the specification content.

#### Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Marking Guidance

- The spelling, punctuation and grammar assessment criteria are common to GCSE English Literature, GCSE History, GCSE Geography and GCSE Religious Studies.
- All candidates, whichever subject they are being assessed on, must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar marking criteria should be applied positively.
   Candidates must be rewarded for what they have demonstrated rather than penalised for errors.
- Examiners should mark according to the marking criteria. All marks on the marking criteria should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the marking criteria are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the marking criteria.
- Examiners should be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the marking criteria.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the marking criteria to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked unless the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.
- Handwriting may make it difficult to see if spelling, punctuation and grammar are correct. Examiners must make every effort to assess spelling, punctuation and grammar fairly and if they genuinely cannot make an assessment, the team leader must be consulted.
- Specialist terms do not always require the use of complex terminology but the vocabulary used should appropriate to the subject and the question.
- Work by candidates with an amanuensis, scribe or typed script should be assessed for spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- Examiners are advised to consider the marking criteria in the following way:
  - o How well does the response communicate the meaning?
  - o What range of specialist terms is used?
  - o How accurate is the spelling, punctuation and grammar?

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Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
1 (a) AO1	<ul> <li>the three collections of sacred Buddhist books</li> <li>three baskets</li> <li>a Buddhist</li> </ul>	<ul><li>holy book</li><li>scripture</li><li>teachings of the Buddha</li></ul>	Answers which define a different key word	2
	Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.	Any alternative wording of the above point is acceptable.		

Question Number	Answer	Mark
1 (b) AO2	Indicative content  Answers which think the five khandas are only important for Buddhists are likely to use such evidence as:  • they were taught by the Buddha • they link with the Buddhist teaching of impermanence • other religions focus on the importance of the self  Answers which do not think the five khandas are only important for Buddhists are likely to use such evidence as:  • they help people deal with the loss of loved ones • the idea of impermanence is universal • the idea of perception helps people understand how to view the world.	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	<ul> <li>For a personal response with:</li> <li>one brief reason (e.g. other religions focus on the importance of the self)</li> <li>1 mark</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>For a personal response with:</li> <li>two brief reasons</li> <li>or one developed reason (e.g. other religions focus on the importance of the self, for example Christianity teaches that the soul is eternal)</li> <li>2 marks</li> </ul>	
	For a personal response with:	
	• two reasons with one developed 3 marks	
	For a personal response with:  • two developed reasons  4 marks	

Question		ative content			
Number		quality of written communication will be assessed in this ver (strands i, ii and iii)			
1 (c) AO1	The m	<ul> <li>The main features of the relationship include:</li> <li>some Buddhists see the lay and ordained as equal members of the sangha</li> <li>lay Buddhists provide the food and the clothing necessary for the monks and nuns</li> <li>ordained monks help lay Buddhists worship</li> <li>ordained monks help lay Buddhists learn the teachings of Buddhism</li> </ul>			
	levels reviev	. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to v.			
Level	Mark	-			
	0	No rewardable material.			
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:			
Level 2	3-4	Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using two brief features  • or a developed feature  The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.			
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using three brief features  • or a fully developed feature  • or two features with one developed.  The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.			

#### Level 4 7-8 A clear ur

A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by:

- using four brief features
- or two developed features
- or three features with one developed
- or a comprehensive explanation using one features only.

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
1 (d) AO2	<ul> <li>Indicative content</li> <li>Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul> <li>the fact that everything is impermanent is self-evident</li> <li>dukkha teaches that suffering occurs rather than how to overcome it</li> <li>they are abstract concepts rather than concrete ideas</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:</li> <li>all people suffer and therefore all people can learn from this</li> <li>they are central beliefs in all Buddhist traditions/schools</li> <li>they underpin all Buddhist ethics</li> </ul>	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	<ul> <li>(i) Own opinion</li> <li>1 mark for <ul> <li>a simple reason</li> </ul> </li> <li>2 marks for <ul> <li>a developed reason</li> <li>or two simple reasons</li> </ul> </li> <li>3 marks for <ul> <li>three simple reasons</li> <li>or two developed reasons</li> <li>or a fully developed reason</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	3
	(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion  1 mark for  • a simple reason  2 marks for  • a developed reason  • or two simple reasons  3 marks for  • three simple reasons  • or two developed reasons  • or a fully developed reason	3

Question 2 (a, b, c, d)	Spelling,	Punctuati	on and Grammar
		0 marks	Errors severely hinder the meaning of the response or candidates do not spell, punctuate or use the rules of grammar within the context of the demands of the question.
Threshold performance	Level 1	1 mark	Candidates spell, punctuate and use the rules of grammar with reasonable accuracy in the context of the demands of the question. Any errors do not hinder meaning in the response. Where required, they use a limited range of specialist terms appropriately.
Intermediate performance	Level 2	2-3 marks	Candidates spell, punctuate and use the rules of grammar with considerable accuracy and general control of meaning in the context of the demands of the question.  Where required, they use a good range of specialist terms with facility.
High performance	Level 3	4 marks	Candidates spell, punctuate and use the rules of grammar with consistent accuracy and effective control of meaning in the context of the demands of the question.  Where required, they use a wide range of specialist terms adeptly and with precision.

Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
2 (a) AO1	<ul> <li>the state of perfect peace (which follows the blowing out of desire)</li> <li>escape from the cycle of samsara</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>heaven</li> <li>enlightenment</li> </ul> Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.	Answers which define a different key word	2
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Question	Answer	Mark		
Number 2 (b) AO2	Indicative content  Answers which think the Dhammapada is essential for all Buddhists are likely to use such evidence as:  it contains the teachings of the Buddha it contains the central teachings of Buddhism it shows a Buddhist how to live  Answers which do not think the Dhammapada is essential for all Buddhists are likely to use such evidence as: a person's own religious experience could be seen to be more important other parts of the Tipitaka may provide better foci for meditation the personal relationship between teacher and student can be seen to be more important	4		
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.  Award marks as follows:  For a personal response with:  • one brief reason (e.g. it contains the teachings of the Buddha)			
	<ul> <li>1 mark</li> <li>For a personal response with: <ul> <li>two brief reasons</li> <li>or one developed reason (e.g. it contains the teachings of the Buddha which show a Buddhist how to live their life on the path to enlightenment)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
	For a personal response with:  • two reasons with one developed For a personal response with:  • two developed reasons  4 marks			

Questio n Number	The	ative content quality of written communication will be assessed in this ver (strands i, ii and iii)				
2 (c) AO1		The main reasons include:  • they show that the cause of suffering is desire  • they provide a means of overcoming suffering  • they are the teachings of the Buddha				
		r approaches are possible and must be marked according to the s. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to w.				
Level	Mar k	Descriptor				
	0	No rewardable material.				
Level 1	1-2	<ul> <li>Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:</li> <li>giving a brief reason</li> <li>not explaining but only describing the issue.</li> <li>The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.</li> </ul>				
Level 2	3-4	<ul> <li>Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by:</li> <li>using two brief reasons</li> <li>or a developed reason.</li> <li>The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.</li> </ul>				
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using three brief reasons  • or a fully developed reason  • or two reasons with one developed.  The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.				

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- or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only.

Question	Answer	Mark
Number	Indicative content	
2 (d) AO2	<ul> <li>Indicative content</li> <li>Reasons for supporting this statement could be:         <ul> <li>it is purely a Buddhist interpretation so not valid for non-Buddhists</li> <li>sila is essential on the path to enlightenment</li> <li>other worldviews contradict some principles of sila</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	(i) Own opinion  1 mark for  • a simple reason  2 marks for  • a developed reason  • or two simple reasons  3 marks for  • three simple reasons  • or two developed reasons  • or a fully developed reason  (ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion  1 mark for  • a simple reason  2 marks for  • a developed reason  • or two simple reasons  3 marks for	3
	<ul> <li>three simple reasons</li> <li>or two developed reasons</li> <li>or a fully developed reason</li> </ul>	

Question 2 (a, b, c, d)	Spelling,	Punctuation	on and Grammar
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3 (a) AO1	<ul> <li>the most important scripture of Mahayana Buddhism</li> <li>a Mahayanan</li> </ul>	<ul><li>a holy book</li><li>Buddhist scripture</li></ul>	Answers which define a different key word	2
	Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.	Any alternative wording of the above point is acceptable.	(0)	

Question	Answer	Mark		
Number				
3 (b)	Indicative content	4		
AO2	Answers which think that Buddhists can learn anything from			
	the Buddha's ascetic practices are likely to use such evidence			
	as:			
	<ul> <li>Buddhists can learn important lessons from apparent mistakes</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>looking at the Buddha's example Buddhists can avoid this pitfall</li> </ul>			
	it shows the path to enlightenment is not always easy			
	Answers which do not think that Buddhists can learn anything from the Buddha's ascetic practices are likely to use such evidence as:			
	they did not achieve anything			
	Buddhists today do not live as ascetics			
	asceticism is not part of the Middle Way			
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.			
	Award marks as follows:			
	For a personal response with:  • one brief reason (e.g. Buddhists today do not live as ascetics)  1 mark			
	For a personal response with:  • two brief reasons			
	<ul> <li>or one developed reason (e.g. Buddhists today do not live as ascetics to find enlightenment)</li> </ul>			
	2 marks			
	For a personal response with:			
	<ul> <li>two reasons with one developed</li> <li>3 marks</li> </ul>			
	For a personal response with:			
	<ul> <li>two developed reasons</li> <li>4 marks</li> </ul>			

Question Number	Indicative content The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)			
3 (c) AO1	<ul> <li>The main features include:</li> <li>knowledge is transmitted in gestures and actions (silence)</li> <li>it is based on silent meditation that seeks enlightenment</li> <li>Kasyapa is seen to be the successor to the Buddha</li> <li>Bodhidharma travelled from India to China and founded the line of Zen masters there</li> <li>the role of the master is one of example rather than answering questions</li> </ul>			
		approaches are possible and must be marked according to the . If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to v.		
Level	Mark	Descriptor		
	0	No rewardable material.		
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:		
Level 2	3-4	<ul> <li>Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by:</li> <li>using two brief features</li> <li>or a developed feature</li> <li>The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.</li> </ul>		
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using three brief features • or a fully developed feature • or two features with one developed.  The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.		

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- or a comprehensive explanation using one way feature.

Question	Answer			
Number				
3 (d) AO2	Indicative content  Reasons for supporting this statement could be:  • the world has changed since the time of the Buddha  • the dhamma does not take into account today's consumerist society  • some Buddhist groups are reinterpreting the dhamma for today			
	<ul> <li>Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:</li> <li>all people suffer and want to overcome suffering</li> <li>the goal of the Buddha's teaching could lead to a harmonious life and world</li> <li>examples which show how all people could benefit from following one of the Buddha's teachings</li> </ul>			
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.			
	Award marks as follows:			
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).			
	<ul> <li>(i) Own opinion</li> <li>1 mark for <ul> <li>a simple reason</li> </ul> </li> <li>2 marks for <ul> <li>a developed reason</li> <li>or two simple reasons</li> </ul> </li> <li>3 marks for <ul> <li>three simple reasons</li> <li>or two developed reasons</li> <li>or a fully developed reason</li> </ul> </li> <li>(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion</li> <li>1 mark for</li> </ul>	3		
	<ul> <li>a simple reason</li> <li>2 marks for</li> <li>a developed reason</li> <li>or two simple reasons</li> <li>3 marks for</li> <li>three simple reasons</li> <li>or two developed reasons</li> <li>or a fully developed reason</li> </ul>			

Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
4 (a) AO1	<ul> <li>a Buddhist nun</li> <li>a nun</li> </ul> Any alternative wording of the above point is acceptable. (2)	<ul> <li>a religious         woman</li> <li>a follower of the         Buddha</li> <li>Any alternative         wording of the         above point is         acceptable.</li> </ul>	Answers which define a different key word	2

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4 (b) AO2	Indicative content  Answers which think the experience of the Buddha under the bodhi tree was the beginning of Buddhism are likely to use such evidence as:  • the Buddha became enlightened under the bodhi tree  • during the experience he found the answer to suffering  • it was only after his enlightenment that he began teaching the Middle Way	4
	Answers which do not think the experience of the Buddha under the bodhi tree was the beginning of Buddhism are likely to use such evidence as:  • some Buddhists say the founding of the sangha was the real beginning  • his enlightenment was not complete until after his death  • some Buddhists regard the four sights as the beginning  Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	For a personal response with:  • one brief reason (e.g. some Buddhists regard the four sights as the beginning)  1 mark  For a personal response with:  • two brief reasons  • or one developed reason (e.g. some Buddhists regard the four sights as the beginning where he discovered that there was a problem that needed solving)  2 marks	
	For a personal response with:  • two reasons with one developed  3 marks	
	For a personal response with:  • two developed reasons  4 marks	

Question Number	Indicative content The quality of written communication will be assessed in this				
		ver (strands i, ii and iii)			
4 (c) AO1	The m	The main reasons for the features include: <ul> <li>a library so that a Buddhist can learn the dhamma</li> <li>a dining room for a communal meal</li> <li>classrooms for instruction</li> <li>a bodhi tree to remember the enlightenment of the Buddha</li> <li>a statue of a bodhisattva on which to base meditation</li> </ul> <li>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</li>			
Level	Mark	Descriptor			
	0	No rewardable material.			
Level 1	1-2	<ul> <li>Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:</li> <li>giving a brief reason</li> <li>not explaining but only describing the issue.</li> <li>The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.</li> </ul>			
Level 2	3-4	<ul> <li>Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by:</li> <li>using two brief reasons</li> <li>or a developed reason.</li> <li>The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.</li> </ul>			
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using three brief reasons • or a fully developed reason • or two reasons with one developed.  The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.			

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Number		
4 (d) AO2	<ul> <li>Indicative content</li> <li>Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul> <li>it is the oldest form of Buddhism</li> <li>it has not changed since the time of the Buddha</li> <li>Theravada Buddhists reject anything that does not come directly from the Buddha</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:  • Mahayana is seen to be the 'greater vehicle'  • there are other forms which are seen as equally valid  • all of the forms of Buddhism are based on the Buddha's teachings	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	(i) Own opinion  1 mark for	3
	a simple reason	
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	three simple reasons	
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	(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion	3
	1 mark for	
	<ul><li>a simple reason</li><li>2 marks for</li></ul>	
	a developed reason	
	or two simple reasons	
	3 marks for	
	three simple reasons	
	or two developed reasons	
	or a fully developed reason	

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5 (a) AO1	Buddhist worship  Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.  (2)	<ul> <li>meditation</li> <li>an example of any action performed during worship e.g. making offerings</li> </ul>	Answers which define a different key word (0)	2
		Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.		

Question Number	Answer			
5 (b) AO2	Indicative content  Answers which think vipassana meditation is a good way to achieve enlightenment are likely to use such evidence as:  • it is the insight gained by this method which brings enlightenment  • all other forms of meditation are preparation for vipassana  • it helps a person see their own true nature	4		
	Answers which do not think vipassana meditation is a good way to achieve enlightenment are likely to use such evidence as:  • there are other forms of meditation that are easier • following the Middle Way is the only sure way to enlightenment • Zen Buddhists use a different form of meditation which takes less time to gain enlightenment			
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.			
	Award marks as follows:			
	For a personal response with:  • one brief reason (e.g. there are other forms of meditation that are easier)  1 mark  For a personal response with:  • two brief reasons  • or one developed reason (e.g. there are other forms of			
	meditation that are easier for example dhyana can be mastered by non-Buddhists)			
	2 marks For a personal response with:			
	<ul> <li>two reasons with one developed</li> <li>For a personal response with:</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>two developed reasons</li> <li>4 marks</li> </ul>			

Question Number	The c	ative content quality of written communication will be assessed in this er (strands i, ii and iii)	
5 (c) AO1	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	<ul> <li>The main reasons include: <ul> <li>it is a reminder of the Buddha</li> <li>the position of the rupa teaches important events in the Buddha's life</li> <li>the position of hands can remind a Buddhist of certain qualities</li> <li>they are a focus for meditation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</li> </ul>	
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- or two developed reasons
- or three reasons with one developed
- or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only.

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
5 (d) AO2	Indicative content Reasons for supporting this statement could be:  • most mantras would be unintelligible for non-Buddhists  • chanting in groups does not allow personal meditation  • they do not fit well into the busy life of the laity	
	Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	(i) Own opinion	3
	1 mark for	
	a simple reason	
	2 marks for	
	<ul><li>a developed reason</li><li>or two simple reasons</li></ul>	
	3 marks for	
	three simple reasons	
	or two developed reasons	
	or a fully developed reason	
	(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion	3
	1 mark for	
	<ul><li>a simple reason</li><li>2 marks for</li></ul>	
	a developed reason	
	or two simple reasons	
	3 marks for	
	three simple reasons	
	<ul> <li>or two developed reasons</li> </ul>	
	or a fully developed reason	

Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer		Reject	Mark
6 (a) AO1	<ul> <li>Buddha Day (when the birth, enlightenment and death of the Buddha are celebrated)</li> <li>a festival celebrating the life of the Buddha</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a festival</li> <li>a month</li> </ul> Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.	(1)	Answers which define a different key word (0)	2
	Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.				

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		1
6 (b) AO2	Indicative content Answers which think that all Buddhists should celebrate New Year are likely to use such reasons as:  • it is an opportunity to visit friends and relatives • it is an opportunity to make a fresh start • it could be used to celebrate the Buddha's life	4
	Answers which do not think that all Buddhists should celebrate New Year are likely to use such reasons as:  • it is just another day  • it is often seen as an excuse for indulgence  • not all Buddhists view New Year as an important occasion	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	For a personal response with:  • one brief reason (e.g. it could be used to celebrate the Buddha's life)	
	1 mark	
	For a personal response with:  • two brief reasons	
	<ul> <li>or one developed reason (e.g. it could be used to celebrate the Buddha's life which reminds Buddhists of the path to enlightenment)</li> </ul>	
	2 marks	
	For a personal response with:  • two reasons with one developed  3 marks	
	<ul> <li>two reasons with one developed</li> <li>For a personal response with:</li> </ul>	
	• two developed reasons 4 marks	

Question Number	Indicative content The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)			
6 (c) AO1	Other			
Level	Mark	Descriptor		
	0	No rewardable material.		
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:		
Level 2	3-4	Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using two brief reasons  • or a developed reason.  The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.		
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using three brief reasons • or a fully developed reason • or two reasons with one developed.  The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.		

# **Level 4** 7-8 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by:

- using four brief reasons
- or two developed reasons
- or three reasons with one developed
- or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only.

Question	Answer		
Number			
6 (d) AO2	<ul> <li>Indicative content</li> <li>Reasons for supporting this statement could be: <ul> <li>they remind the worshipper of the purpose of their worship</li> <li>they inform people of the symbolic meaning of buddharupas</li> <li>they can communicate specific teachings of the Buddha</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: <ul> <li>a person could be more concerned with getting the mudra correct than with meditation</li> <li>there is no evidence the Buddha used mudras</li> <li>the person could focus too much on the mudra</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</li> </ul>		
	Award marks as follows:		
	Awai u mai ka aa milowa.		
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).		
	<ul> <li>(i) Own opinion</li> <li>1 mark for <ul> <li>a simple reason</li> </ul> </li> <li>2 marks for <ul> <li>a developed reason</li> <li>or two simple reasons</li> </ul> </li> <li>3 marks for <ul> <li>three simple reasons</li> <li>or two developed reasons</li> <li>or a fully developed reason</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	3	
	(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion  1 mark for  • a simple reason  2 marks for  • a developed reason  • or two simple reasons  3 marks for  • three simple reasons  • or two developed reasons  • or a fully developed reason	3	

Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
7 (a) AO1	<ul> <li>the rules of the monastic way of life</li> <li>rules for monks and nuns</li> <li>a section of the Tipitaka</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>rules</li> <li>a sacred book</li> <li>Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.</li> </ul>	Answers which define a different key word (0)	2
	Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.			

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
7 (b) AO2		
	Answers which do not think Buddhists should work to relieve suffering in the UK are likely to use such reasons as:  • a Buddhist's first goal is their individual enlightenment  • developing self awareness means you can help others later  • other people need to take responsibility for themselves  Other approaches are possible and must be marked	
	according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.  Award marks as follows:	
	For a personal response with:  • one brief reason (e.g. it enables people to receive merit)  1 mark  For a personal response with:	
	<ul> <li>two brief reasons</li> <li>or one developed reason (e.g. it enables people to receive merit which will help them on the path to enlightenment)</li> <li>2 marks</li> </ul>	
	For a personal response with:  • two reasons with one developed	
	3 marks	
	For a personal response with:  • two developed reasons  4 marks	

Question Number	Indicative content The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)		
7 (c) AO1	The main features of the role include: <ul> <li>the vihara provides a centre in which to worship</li> <li>the vihara acts as a place of education for the community</li> <li>the vihara provides shelter for travellers</li> <li>the vihara is a social centre</li> </ul> <li>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</li>		
Level	Mark	Descriptor	
	0	No rewardable material.	
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:	
Level 2	3-4	<ul> <li>Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by:</li> <li>using two brief features</li> <li>or a developed feature</li> <li>The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.</li> </ul>	
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:  • using three brief features • or a fully developed feature • or two features with one developed.  The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.	

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7-8 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by:

- using four brief features
- or two developed features
- or three features with one developed
- or a comprehensive explanation using one way feature.

The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Excellent organisation and planning.

Question	Answer	Mark	
Number			
7 (d) AO2			
	<ul> <li>Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:</li> <li>non Buddhists do not have to follow the Buddha's teachings</li> <li>compassion can be seen to make people weak</li> <li>people should not be expected to show compassion to evil people</li> </ul>		
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.		
	Award marks as follows:		
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).		
	(i) Own opinion  1 mark for	3	
	<ul><li>a simple reason</li><li>2 marks for</li></ul>		
	a developed reason		
	<ul> <li>or two simple reasons</li> </ul>		
	3 marks for		
	three simple reasons		
	or two developed reasons		
	or a fully developed reason  (ii) What a grant and a grant an	3	
	(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion  1 mark for		
	a simple reason		
	2 marks for		
	a developed reason		
	or two simple reasons		
	3 marks for		
	three simple reasons		
	or two developed reasons		
	or a fully developed reason		

Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
8 (a) AO1	<ul> <li>a being destined to be a Buddha (who helps all living things)</li> <li>one who helps another towards enlightenment</li> <li>one who defers enlightenment to help others</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>a Buddha</li> <li>an example of a bodhisattva</li> <li>Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.</li> </ul>	Answers which define a different key word (0)	2
	Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.			

Question	Answer	Mark
Number		4
8 (b) AO2		
	<ul> <li>Answers which do not think a person's beliefs should affect their choice of job are likely to use such reasons as: <ul> <li>a person may need to take any job in order to survive</li> <li>in the modern world the consequences of certain jobs are unknown</li> <li>many necessary jobs would possibly be left undone</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.</li> </ul>	
	Award marks as follows:	
	For a personal response with:  • one brief reason (e.g. it enables one to live a more moral life)  1 mark	
<ul> <li>For a personal response with:</li> <li>two brief reasons</li> <li>or one developed reason (e.g. it enables one to live a more moral life for example not encouraging others to intoxicants would make it easier to not use them)</li> <li>2 marks</li> </ul>		
	For a personal response with:  • two reasons with one developed  3 marks	
	For a personal response with:	
	two developed reasons     4 marks	

Question Number	Indicative content The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)		
8 (c) AO1	Other	main reasons include: community cohesion can alleviate the suffering of others right speech suggests that a person should not speak badly of others the Buddha taught the importance of cultivating peace it enables people to gain good kamma it reflects the teaching of metta  er approaches are possible and must be marked according to the lls. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to	
Level	Mark	Descriptor	
	0	No rewardable material.	
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:	
Level 2	3-4	<ul> <li>Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: <ul> <li>using two brief reasons</li> <li>or a developed reason.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.</li> </ul>	
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Question	Answer	Mark	
Number	Indicative content		
8 (d) AO2	<ul> <li>Indicative content</li> <li>Reasons for supporting this statement could be:         <ul> <li>it is purely a Buddhist interpretation so not valid for non-Buddhists</li> <li>patience is essential to develop right mindfulness</li> <li>patience enables a Buddhist to gain merit</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
	Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:  • it is essential to a harmonious society  • it leads to good relationships with everybody  • it is a means of developing self control		
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.		
	Award marks as follows:		
	Candidates who do not refer to Buddhism in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).		
	<ul> <li>(i) Own opinion</li> <li>1 mark for <ul> <li>a simple reason</li> </ul> </li> <li>2 marks for <ul> <li>a developed reason</li> <li>or two simple reasons</li> </ul> </li> <li>3 marks for <ul> <li>three simple reasons</li> <li>or two developed reasons</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	3	
	<ul> <li>or a fully developed reason</li> <li>(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion</li> <li>1 mark for</li> <li>a simple reason</li> <li>a developed reason</li> <li>or two simple reasons</li> <li>3 marks for</li> <li>three simple reasons</li> <li>or two developed reasons</li> <li>or a fully developed reason</li> </ul>	3	

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