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GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES A

Paper 1: Christianity

Specimen

Morning Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

Before you open this booklet, you must ensure you have the question paper/answer booklet for the other **religion option** you are entered for (Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism **or** Sikhism).

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at both the top of this page and the top of the question paper/answer booklet for the other **religion option**.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.

Information

- The maximum mark for this option is 51.
- The marks for the questions are shown in brackets.
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) will be assessed in the 12-mark question in the Beliefs section.

Advice

You will have 1 hour 45 minutes to complete **both** question paper/answer booklets. You are advised to spend 50 minutes on this paper and 50 minutes on your other **religion option**.

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Question	Mark
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BELIEFS

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Which **one** of the following is the book in the Bible in which the story of Creation can be found?

[1 mark]

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A Exodus.

B Genesis.

C Proverbs.

D Revelation.

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Give **two** qualities which Christians believe describe the nature of God.

[2 marks]

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2 _____

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Explain **two** ways in which belief in the resurrection of Jesus influences Christians today.

[4 marks]

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Explain **two** Christian teachings about judgement.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

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'If God were loving, there would be no suffering in the world.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to Christian teaching
- give reasoned arguments to support this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]
[+ 3 SPaG marks]

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PRACTICES

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Which **one** of the following is the sacrament that commemorates Jesus' last supper?**[1 mark]**

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A Marriage.**B** Baptism.**C** Eucharist.**D** Sunday.

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Give **two** examples of the work of the Church in the local community.**[2 marks]**

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Explain **two** contrasting ways in which the Eucharist (Holy Communion) is celebrated in Christianity.

[4 marks]

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Explain **two** ways in which Christian street pastors carry out their Christian duty.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of Christian belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

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0 2 . 5 'The best way for Christians to reach an understanding of God is by practising prayer.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to Christian teaching
- give reasoned arguments to support this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

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