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<b>Monday 24 June 2024</b>									
Afternoon (Time: 2 hours)						Paper reference		<b>9RS0/4F</b>	
<b>Religious Studies</b> <b>Advanced</b> <b>PAPER 4: Study of Religion</b> <b>Option 4F: Sikhism</b>									
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.
- There are **three** sections in this question paper. Answer **all** the questions in each section.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

## Advice

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

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## SECTION A

**Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

- 1** Explore the key features of nam simaran.

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**(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)**



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2 Assess the significance of martyrdom within Sikhism.

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(Total for Question 2 = 12 marks)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 20 MARKS**



## SECTION B

**Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

**Read the following passage before answering the questions.**

Human beings are unique in this creation since they alone possess the ability to discriminate and enter into a voluntary relationship of love with God. In the natural state humans see themselves as creations of the Lord and disregard evidence of their own finiteness which mortality and nature's independence of provide. They are characterised by self-reliance (haumai) and at best see the world including themselves — erroneously — as distinct from God. This duality leads to attachment to temporal values, which is maya. The consequence is rebirth (samsara) on the basis of previous actions (karma). There is only one way of achieving liberation (mukti) — by conquering haumai, ceasing to be worldly-minded (manmukh) and becoming God-conscious and God-filled (gurmukh). This can only be done by being aware of the inner presence of God as Shabad, Guru and Nam and by coming completely under their influence. This in turn is only possible because God looks benignly and graciously (prasad, nadar) upon their efforts and as Shabad, Guru and Nam, is self-revealing and enlightens and liberates the believer.

(Source: extract adapted from *The Sikhs*, Cole, O., Sambhi, P. S.,  
Sussex Academic 1998, Edexcel Anthology)

- 3** (a) Clarify the ideas illustrated in the passage about manmukh.

*You must refer to the passage in your response.*

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(b) Analyse the meaning and purpose of life within Sikhism.

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(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS**



## SECTION C

**Write your answer in the space provided.**

- #### 4 Evaluate the different responses to pluralism within Sikhism.

In your response to this question, you must include how developments in Sikhism have been influenced by **one** of the following:

- Philosophy of Religion
- Religion and Ethics
- New Testament Studies.

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**TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 30 MARKS**  
**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 80 MARKS**



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