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Religious Studies

Unit 12: Judaism

Wednesday 7 June 2017 – Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference

5RS12/01

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 – BELIEFS AND VALUES

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 is meant by **hashem**? (2)
- (b) Do you think the Mishnah is important for Jewish people?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- *(c) Explain why Jewish people believe the Almighty created the world. (8)
- (d) "The covenant with Abraham is the most important Jewish covenant."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (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 the **Talmud**? (2)
- (b) Do you think the Shema is the most important Jewish prayer?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- *(c) Explain why some Jewish people think the Messiah will never come. (8)
- (d) "All Jewish people should follow the halakhah."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (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)

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SECTION 2 – COMMUNITY AND TRADITION

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

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- 3** (a) What is **Yishuv**? (2)
- (b) Do you think all synagogues should look the same?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why it is hard for Jewish people to forget the Holocaust. (8)
- (d) "The Bet Din makes Jewish life easier."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (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 the **Magen David**? (2)
- (b) Do you think Reform Judaism is the best form of Judaism?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why some Jewish people do not support Zionism. (8)
- (d) "Hasidic Jewish people need to modernise."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (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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SECTION 3 – WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION

You must answer ONE question from this section.

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- 5** (a) What is **Purim**? (2)
- (b) Do you think all Jewish boys should have a Bar Mitzvah?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- *(c) Explain why Shabbat is important for Jewish people. (8)
- (d) "Taking part in Yom Kippur is essential to being a good Jewish person."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (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 the **mohel**? (2)
- (b) Do you think all Jewish people should celebrate the Passover?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- *(c) Explain why Bat Chayil is important for some Jewish girls. (8)
- (d) "Simchat Torah is the most important festival."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (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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SECTION 4 – LIVING THE JEWISH LIFE

You must answer ONE question from this section.

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- 7** (a) What is a **kippah**? (2)
- (b) Do you think all Jewish people should be involved in working for charity?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain why the Noachide laws are important for Jewish people. (8)
- (d) "All Jewish communities need a local synagogue."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
- (ii) Give reasons why some people may disagree with you. (3)

(Total for Question 7 = 20 marks)

OR

- 8** (a) What are the **tefillin**? (2)
- (b) Do you think it is easy to live the Jewish life today?
Give **two** reasons for your point of view. (4)
- * (c) Explain how Jewish death practices help Jewish people cope with death. (8)
- (d) "All Jewish people should use the mikveh."
In your answer you should refer to Judaism.
- (i) Do you agree? Give reasons for your opinion. (3)
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