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GCSE Religious Studies (Specification A) Religious Studies (Specification A) (Short Course)

Unit 1 Christianity

Wednesday 18 May 2016

Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an insert containing Part B questions (enclosed).

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **five** questions.
 - Part A Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided in this booklet.
 - Part B Answer **either** Question B5 **or** Question B6. Write your answer to **either** Question B5 **or** Question B6 on pages 12 to 20 in this booklet.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this booklet. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.
- If you use any additional sheets, tie them securely to the back of this booklet.
- Do **not** write on the insert. Any work on the insert will **not** be marked.
- Do **not** place the insert into the answer booklet at the end of the examination.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 76.
- Four of these marks are for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (**SPaG**). This will be assessed in Part B. These marks are shown below the mark allocation for Questions B5 and B6.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.



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Part A

Answer **all** questions in this part in the spaces provided.

A1 Ceremonies of Commitment

Look at the photograph. It shows an infant baptism.



A1 (a) Which **one** of the following Churches normally baptises people as infants?

[1 mark]

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

The Baptist Church

The Roman Catholic Church

The Salvation Army



A1 (b)

Explain briefly why the godparents or parents of a child may be given a lighted candle as part of a service of infant baptism.

[2 marks]

A1 (c)

Explain the importance of reception into membership for some Christians.

[3 marks]

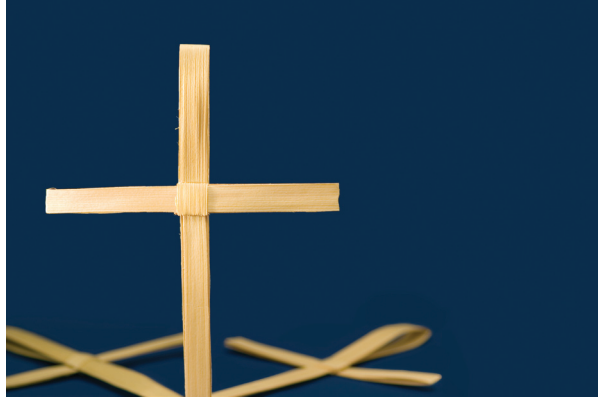
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A2 Festivals

Look at the photograph. It shows palm crosses which are traditionally given to people on Palm Sunday.



A2 (a) Explain why Palm Sunday is important to Christians.

[4 marks]

Question A2 continues on the next page

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A2 (b) Explain briefly why Sunday is a special day for Christians.

[2 marks]

A2 (c) 'Christians should not work on a Sunday.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

[3 marks]

A2 (d) 'Advent is not important for Christians today.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

[3 marks]



A3 Beliefs and Sources of Authority and Worship

Look at the image. It shows a symbol of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove.



A3 (a) Give the name of the festival when Christians remember the coming of the Holy Spirit.

[1 mark]

A3 (b) Explain what Christians believe about the Holy Spirit.

[4 marks]

Question A3 continues on the next page

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A3 (c)

'For Christians, what they believe is more important than how they worship.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Christianity in your answer.

[6 marks]

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A4 **Places of Worship**

Look at the photographs. They show an altar and a font in church buildings.



A4 (a) Explain the use and importance of the altar in church buildings.

[4 marks]

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A4 (b)

Explain the use and importance of a font in church buildings.

[3 marks]



A4 (c)

'Only in a church can Christians feel near to God.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Christianity in your answer.

[6 marks]

Extra space _____

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Part B

Answer **either** Question **B5** or Question **B6**, which are printed on the insert.

Write your answer to the question you have chosen on **pages 12 to 20**.

Write the number of the question you have chosen in the box below, e.g. **B5**.

Write the question number at the start of each part of your answer, e.g. **B5(a)**.



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