

GCSE

Religious Studies  
(Specification A)

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Unit 5 St Mark's Gospel

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**Part B**

Answer **either** Question **B5** or Question **B6** on pages 13 to 20 in the answer booklet.

There are 28 marks for each question.

Four of these marks are for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar [SPaG].

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**Either****B5        Background to Mark's Gospel**

**B5 (a)**        Explain why many Christians think that Mark's Gospel was written in Rome. **[6 marks]**

**B5 (b)**        'The only reason Mark wrote his Gospel was to help persecuted Christians.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Mark's Gospel in your answer. **[6 marks]**

**B5 (c)**        Give Mark's account of the calming of the storm. **[6 marks]**

**B5 (d)**        'Christians can be sure that Mark's Gospel is the word of God.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Mark's Gospel in your answer. **[6 marks]**

**[SPaG: 4 marks]**

**[Total marks for this question: 28 marks]**

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Do **not** answer Question B6 if you have answered Question B5.

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**B6 Jesus' Relationships with Others**

**B6 (a)** Explain why many Christians think that Mark's Gospel teaches them to help outcasts.  
[6 marks]

**B6 (b)** 'The stories about Jesus' conflict with the Jewish religious leaders are an important part of Mark's Gospel.'

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

[6 marks]

**B6 (c)** Give an account of the healing of blind Bartimaeus.

[6 marks]

**B6 (d)** 'Science has proved that the miracles of Jesus could not have happened.'

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

[6 marks]

[SPaG: 4 marks]

[Total marks for this question: 28 marks]

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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