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

Unit 12 Buddhism

Wednesday 15 June 2016

Morning

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 11 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**) which 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.



Part A

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

A1 The Life of the Buddha and the Dhamma (Dharma)

Look at the picture. It shows the Buddha during his ascetic life.



A1 (a) Explain briefly how the Buddha lived as an ascetic.

[2 marks]

A1 (b) Give **two** of the four signs that the Buddha saw.

[2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____



A2 Attitudes to Life and The Dhamma (Dharma)

Look at the picture. It shows the Buddha teaching the Dhamma (Dharma) to his followers.



A2 (a) Explain **two** of the five moral precepts.

[4 marks]

A2 (b) Explain briefly what is meant by karuna.

[2 marks]



A2 (c)

'No one can overcome suffering.'

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

[6 marks]

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A3 **Worship and Festivals**

Look at the photograph. It shows a statue of the Buddha at Bodh Gaya.



A3 (a) What happened at Bodh Gaya?

[1 mark]

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

The Buddha's birth

The Buddha's enlightenment

The Buddha's first sermon



A3 (b)

Describe how Buddhists might worship at a temple.

[4 marks]

A3 (c)

Describe what religious things a Buddhist might do at the Deer Park at Sarnath.

[3 marks]

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A3 (d) 'Visiting Buddhist holy places is essential for Buddhists today.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

[3 marks]

A3 (e) 'Wesak is just an excuse for Buddhists to have a good time.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

[3 marks]



A4 The Sangha

Look at the photograph. It shows some Buddhist monks involved in social action.



A4 (a) Explain how 'engaged' Buddhism might be put into practice.

[3 marks]

A4 (b) Explain why the laity are important to the monks and nuns in Buddhism.

[3 marks]

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A4 (c)

'Men and women are equal in Buddhism.'

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

[6 marks]

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