



GCE AS

B120UC0-1



RELIGIOUS STUDIES – AS component 1
Option C: An Introduction to Judaism

THURSDAY, 16 MAY 2019 – MORNING

1 hour 30 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.

Write the number of each question you answer both alongside your answer and on the front cover of the answer booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question carries 50 marks.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each part-question.

You are reminded of the need to:

- reflect on, select and apply specified knowledge.
- understand, interpret and evaluate critically religious concepts, texts and other sources.
- identify, investigate and critically analyse questions, arguments, ideas and issues arising from within this component.
- construct well informed and reasoned arguments substantiated by relevant evidence.
- engage in debate in a way that recognises the right of others to hold a different view.
- present responses to questions which are clear and coherent.
- use specialist language and terminology appropriately.

COMPONENT 1 – An Introduction to the Study of Religion

Option C – An Introduction to Judaism

Part (a) of each question tests your knowledge and understanding of religion and belief.

Part (b) of each question tests your skills of analysis and evaluation, with regards to aspects of and approaches to religion and belief.

Section A

*Answer **one** question from this section.*

Either,

1. (a) Outline the nature and purpose of Torah in Orthodox and Reform Judaism. [25]
- (b) 'The Torah is nothing more than a religious icon.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

Or,

2. (a) Outline the nature of the covenants between:
 - (i) God and Abraham
 - and**
 - (ii) God and Moses. [25]
- (b) 'The covenant is a privilege as well as a responsibility for Jews.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

Section B

*Answer **one** question from this section.*

Either,

3. (a) Examine the concept of tefillah (prayer) within Judaism. [25]
- (b) 'Prayer has become a spiritually ineffective ritual within Judaism.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

Or,

4. (a) Explain the importance of the Ten Sayings (Aseret ha D'ibrot) as a basis for religious and ethical life within Judaism. [25]
- (b) 'The Ten Sayings are an effective guide for living.'
Evaluate this view with reference to Judaism. [25]

Or,

5. (a) Explain the significance of the rituals associated with Pesach. [25]
- (b) 'Redemption has no relevance for Judaism today.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

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