



GCE AS

B120U30-1



TUESDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2020 – MORNING

RELIGIOUS STUDIES – AS component 3
An Introduction to Religion and Ethics

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 3 – An Introduction to Religion and Ethics

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) Apply Rule Utilitarianism to the issue of animal experimentation for medical research. [25]

- (b) 'Pleasure is the sole intrinsic good in life.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

Or,

2. (a) Apply Act Utilitarianism to the use of nuclear weapons as a deterrent. [25]

- (b) 'Bentham offers a more practical form of Utilitarianism than Mill.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

Section B

Answer one question from this section.

Either,

3. (a) Examine the laws and precepts found in Aquinas' Natural Law. [25]

(b) 'Aquinas' Natural Law is meaningless for atheists.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

Or,

4. (a) Examine Aristotle's moral virtues. [25]

(b) 'Being a good person is more important than doing good actions.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

Or,

5. (a) Explain Divine Command Theory. [25]

(b) 'Morality is clearly whatever God commands.'
Evaluate this view. [25]

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