



GCE AS/A LEVEL

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RELIGIOUS STUDIES – AS unit 1

Option A

An Introduction to the Study of Christianity

THURSDAY, 16 MAY 2019 – MORNING

1 hour 15 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do not use pencil or gel pen. Do not use correction fluid.

Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question in Section B.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.

Use both sides of the paper. Write only within the white areas of the booklet.

Write the question number in the two boxes in the left hand margin at the start of each answer

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Leave at least two line spaces between each answer.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question carries 30 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 unit.
- 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.
- use spelling, punctuation and grammar appropriately.

UNIT 1 – An Introduction to the Study of Religion
Option A – An Introduction to the Study of Christianity

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,

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- a) Explain different ways in which the birth narratives help in understanding the doctrine of the incarnation. [15]
- b) 'Jesus was no more than a human being.'
Evaluate this view. [15]

Or,

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- a) Examine different ways the New Testament helps Christian understanding of the resurrected body. [15]
- b) 'The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is an historical fact.'
Evaluate this view. [15]

Section B

Answer one question from this section.

Either,

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- a) Explain the modern view of a suffering God as understood by Jurgen Moltmann. [15]
- b) 'If God suffers, God is not God.'
Evaluate this view. [15]

Or,

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- a) Examine Martin Luther's arguments for justification by faith alone. [15]
- b) 'The New Testament letters make clear that justification includes both faith and works.'
Evaluate this view. [15]

Or,

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- a) Examine Karl Barth's understanding of baptism. [15]
- b) 'Baptism requires consent by the person who receives it.'
Evaluate this view. [15]

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