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**RELIGIOUS STUDIES  
SPECIFICATION A  
UNIT 8: Judaism**

P.M. TUESDAY, 23 June 2015

1 hour 45 minutes

For Examiner's use only		
Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded
1.	24	
<b>SPaG</b>	<b>5</b>	
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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

**If you run out of space in this question-and-answer booklet you may use continuation sheets. Number the questions clearly and enclose your sheets in this question-and-answer booklet.**

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

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

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the Quality of Written Communication used in your answers that involve extended writing (questions 1(e), 2(e), 3(e) and 4(e)).

In addition, your ability to spell, punctuate and use grammar accurately will be assessed in question 1(e).

Answer all questions.

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1. Study the image below and answer the questions which follow.



Brit milah (circumcision) ceremony

(a) Describe how a Jewish boy receives his name.

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(b) Explain how Jews obey the Ten Commandments.

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(c) Explain why Jews should care for others.

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(d) 'Dress customs help Jews express their identity.'

Do you agree **or** disagree? Give **two** reasons for your answer.  
(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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(e) ‘Festivals are the best way to teach children about their religion.’

Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view.

(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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*Marks for spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar are allocated to this question.* [5]

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2. Study the information below and answer the questions which follow.

The Shema is a prayer found in the Torah.

(a) Describe the role of the Beth Din in Judaism.

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(b) Explain the importance of the Shema for Jews.

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(c) Explain Jewish attitudes to abortion.

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(d) 'Divorce is always wrong.'

Do you agree **or** disagree? Give **two** reasons for your answer.  
(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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(e) 'Sex before marriage is always wrong.'

Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view.

(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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3. Study the image below and answer the questions which follow.



Rosh Hashanah

(a) Describe how Jews celebrate Yom Kippur.

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(b) Explain how Jews celebrate Rosh Hashanah.

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(c) Explain Jewish teachings about resurrection.

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(d) 'The Rabbi is the most important person in the Jewish community.'

Do you agree **or** disagree? Give **two** reasons for your answer.  
(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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(e) 'It is not difficult to follow Jewish dietary laws in Britain.'

Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view.

(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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4. Study the information below and answer the questions which follow.

The internal features of a synagogue help Jews with worship and prayer.

(a) Describe how Jews worship in a synagogue.

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(b) Explain why the Torah is important to Jews.

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(c) Explain what Judaism teaches about Israel as God's chosen nation.

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(d) 'Synagogues are mainly places of worship.'

Do you agree **or** disagree? Give **two** reasons for your answer.  
(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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(e) ‘Jews should never marry non-Jews.’

Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have considered more than one point of view.  
(You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer.)

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