



GCE A LEVEL – NEW

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RELIGIOUS STUDIES – A level component 1
A Study of Religion

Option C: JUDAISM

TUESDAY, 5 JUNE 2018 – MORNING

2 hours

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.
- account for the influence of social; religious and historical factors on the developments in the study of religions and belief.
- identify, investigate and critically analyse questions, arguments, ideas and issues arising from within this component, including the views of scholars and academics.
- identify and analyse the nature of connections between the components you have studied.
- construct well informed and reasoned arguments substantiated by relevant evidence.
- present responses to questions which are clear and coherent.
- engage in debate in a way that recognises the right of others to hold a different view.
- use specialist language and terminology appropriately.

Component 1 – A Study of Religion

Option C – A Study of 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) Examine the significance of Abraham within Judaism. [20]
- (b) ‘The covenant God made with Abraham was for all of humanity and not just for the Jewish nation.’
Evaluate this view. [30]

Or,

2. (a) Examine the differences between the Jerusalem and Babylonian Talmuds. [20]
- (b) ‘The Gemara, rather than the Mishnah, is the most important element of the Talmud.’
Evaluate this view. [30]

Section B

Answer one question from this section.

Either,

3. (a) Examine the content of the Shema and its use as an aid to faith and remembering. [20]
- (b) ‘The most important beliefs in Judaism are to be found in the Shema.’
Evaluate this view. [30]

Or,

4. (a) Explain the importance of the Ten Sayings (Aseret ha D’ibrot) within Judaism. [20]
- (b) ‘The Ten Sayings provide an adequate summary of Jewish religious belief.’
Evaluate this view. [30]

Or,

5. (a) Explain how the practices that take place during the festival of Rosh Hashanah reflect Jewish beliefs. [20]
- (b) ‘Jewish festivals are the most effective way of reinforcing Jewish identity.’
Evaluate this view. [30]

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