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Religious Studies (Specification B) (Short Course)

Unit 6 Worship and Key Beliefs

Tuesday 16 June 2015 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 16-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is 40556.
- Answer **four** questions. Each question has **five** parts.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 76.
- Four of these marks are for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (**SPaG**). This will be assessed in parts 05, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30. The mark is shown below the mark allocation for each question.
- You will be awarded a mark for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (**SPaG**) for each of the four questions that you attempt. The best of these marks will be included in your total for the paper.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer **four** questions.

There are 18 marks for each question.

Each question has **five** parts. Answer **all five parts** of each question chosen.

There are four additional marks on the paper for Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG).

Question 1 Places of Worship

Look at the photograph. It shows the exterior (outside) of a religious building.



- 0 | 1** Explain why some religious believers spend a lot of money on places of worship. **[4 marks]**
- 0 | 2** Give **one** religious belief that might influence the exterior design of a religious building. **[1 mark]**
- 0 | 3** 'Religious buildings should be places for all the community to meet.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. **[3 marks]**
- 0 | 4** Describe briefly **one** main feature inside a place of worship in **each** of **two** religions. **[4 marks]**
- 0 | 5** 'The decoration inside religious buildings helps people who want to worship.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. **[6 marks]**

[SPaG: 4 marks]

Question 2 Worship

Look at the photograph. It shows someone worshipping.



- 0 6** 'Praying is the most important part of worship.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. [3 marks]
- 0 7** Describe briefly an act of worship a religious believer might perform at home in **each** of **two** religions. [4 marks]
- 0 8** Explain why worship is important in the lives of religious believers. [4 marks]
- 0 9** Give **one** reason why some religious believers have a special day in the week for community worship. [1 mark]
- 1 0** 'Worship in a religious building should have a trained leader.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. [6 marks]
- [SPaG: 4 marks]**

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Question 3 Pilgrimage

Look at the picture. It shows pilgrimage destinations.



Time	To	Gate	Remarks
15:00	LOURDES	C15	DEPARTED
15:15	JERUSALEM	A23	ON TIME
15:15	AMRITSAR	C08	ON TIME
15:20	VARANASI	B17	ON TIME
15:20	MAKKAH	B12	ON TIME
15:25	BODH GAYA	A26	ON TIME

- 1 1** Explain briefly a different reason in **each** of **two** religions why people go on a pilgrimage. [4 marks]
- 1 2** Give **one** religious symbol or symbolic action connected with a place of pilgrimage. [1 mark]
- 1 3** Explain how a person might be changed by going on a pilgrimage. [4 marks]
- 1 4** 'People should not expect miracles to happen at places of pilgrimage.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. [3 marks]
- 1 5** 'It isn't worth going on a pilgrimage as it costs too much.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. [6 marks]

[SPaG: 4 marks]

Question 4 Origins and Beliefs

Read the information table.

BASIC BELIEFS	The main ideas of a religion
	What religions say about God and the afterlife

- 1 6** Explain why the basic beliefs of a religion are important to a religious believer. [4 marks]
- 1 7** Describe briefly **one** main event in the life of a founder or prophet in **each** of **two** religions. [4 marks]
- 1 8** 'No one can know what the afterlife will be like.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. [3 marks]
- 1 9** Give **one** way in which religious people believe this life may influence their afterlife. [1 mark]
- 2 0** 'Believing in God changes people's lives for the better.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. [6 marks]
- [SPaG: 4 marks]

Turn over for the next question

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Question 5 Practices and Belonging

Look at the photograph.



- 2 | 1** Explain why religious behaviour codes are important to believers. [4 marks]
- 2 | 2** Explain briefly **one** way in which a believer might celebrate a religious festival in **each** of **two** religions. [4 marks]
- 2 | 3** 'It is not important to have a religious ceremony when getting married.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. [3 marks]
- 2 | 4** Give **one** reason why it is important to have a funeral ceremony. [1 mark]
- 2 | 5** 'Religious dietary laws (food laws) are not needed in today's world.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. [6 marks]
- [SPaG: 4 marks]**

Question 6 Authority

Look at the photograph. It shows a woman reading a holy book.



- 2 | 6** Explain why religious believers treat their holy books with respect. **[4 marks]**
- 2 | 7** Outline briefly the composition (content) of a holy book in **each** of **two** religions. **[4 marks]**
- 2 | 8** Give **one** way in which believers may contribute to their religious community. **[1 mark]**
- 2 | 9** 'The founder is the most important authority in a religion.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. **[3 marks]**
- 3 | 0** 'Religious leaders should do more to introduce young people to religious traditions.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. **[6 marks]**
- [SPaG: 4 marks]**

END OF QUESTIONS

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