



GCSE

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

**Paper 2B: Thematic Studies (including
textual studies)**

8062/2B

Tuesday 19 May 2020

Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

For this paper you must have:

- **an AQA 16-page answer book.**

[Turn over]

INSTRUCTIONS

- **Use black ink or black ball-point pen.**
- **Write the information required on the front of your Answer Book. The examining body for this paper is AQA. The PAPER REFERENCE is 8062/2B.**
- **Do all rough work in the Answer Book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.**
- **Choose TWO themes from Section A and BOTH themes from Section B.**
- **Answer ALL questions on the four themes you have chosen.**

INFORMATION

- **The maximum mark for this paper is 96 plus 3 marks for spelling, punctuation and grammar.**
- **The marks for questions are shown in brackets.**
- **Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) will be assessed in the 12-mark question. The marks for SPaG are shown below the mark allocation for each question. The best of these marks will be included in your total for the paper.**

ADVICE

You are advised to spend 25 minutes on each theme.

DO NOT TURN OVER UNTIL TOLD TO DO SO

SECTION A

You should answer **ALL** questions from **TWO** themes in Section A.

0 1 **THEME A:**
Relationships and families

0 1 . 1

Which **ONE** of the following means a man having more than one wife at the same time? [1 mark]

- A Cohabitation**
- B Procreation**
- C Monogamy**
- D Polygamy**

0 1 . 2

Give TWO religious teachings about divorce. [2 marks]

0 1 . 3

Explain TWO contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about sexual relationships before marriage.

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more other religious traditions. [4 marks]

[Turn over]

01.4

Explain TWO religious beliefs about same-sex parents.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of religious belief and teaching in your answer. [5 marks]

0 1 . 5

‘Gender discrimination is always wrong.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- **should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- **should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- **should refer to religious arguments**
- **may refer to non-religious arguments**
- **should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

[Turn over]

0 2 **THEME B:**
Religion and life

0 2 . 1

Which ONE of the following describes the religious belief that humans have authority to rule over the world? [1 mark]

- A Abuse**
- B Dominion**
- C Evolution**
- D Misuse**

0 2 . 2

Give TWO reasons why many religious people use animals for food. [2 marks]

0 2 . 3

Explain TWO contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about euthanasia.

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more other religious traditions. [4 marks]

[Turn over]

02.4

Explain TWO religious beliefs about the use of natural resources.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of religious belief and teaching in your answer. [5 marks]

02.5

‘It is possible to believe in BOTH the Big Bang theory AND religious teachings about the origins of the universe.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- should refer to religious arguments**
- may refer to non-religious arguments**
- should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

[Turn over]

03**THEME C:****The existence of God and
revelation****03.1**

**Which ONE of the following means to
have a close relationship with God?
[1 mark]**

- A Eternal**
- B Impersonal**
- C Omnipotent**
- D Personal**

0 3 . 2

Give TWO arguments which claim to prove the existence of God. [2 marks]

0 3 . 3

Explain TWO contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about religious visions.

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and non-religious beliefs. [4 marks]

[Turn over]

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Explain TWO religious views about the belief that God is omniscient.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of religious belief and teaching in your answer. [5 marks]

03.5

‘It is impossible to prove God exists.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- **should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- **should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- **should refer to religious arguments**
- **may refer to non-religious arguments**
- **should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

[Turn over]

04**THEME D:****Religion, peace and conflict****04.1**

Which ONE of the following describes what is right and fair, as required by the law? [1 mark]

A Forgiveness

B Greed

C Justice

D Selfishness

0 4 . 2

Give TWO reasons why most religious people are against terrorism. [2 marks]

0 4 . 3

Explain TWO contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about pacifism.

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more other religious traditions. [4 marks]

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Explain TWO reasons why some religious people support the just war theory.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of religious belief and teaching in your answer. [5 marks]

04.5

‘It is wrong for any country to have weapons of mass destruction.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- **should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- **should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- **should refer to religious arguments**
- **may refer to non-religious arguments**
- **should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

[Turn over]

0 5**THEME E:****Religion, crime and punishment****0 5 . 1**

Which ONE of the following do religious believers regard as an evil intention?

[1 mark]

- A Showing forgiveness**
- B Going to prison**
- C Planning murder**
- D Opposing an unjust law**

0 5 . 2

Give TWO reasons why some religious people may break the law. [2 marks]

0 5 . 3

Explain TWO contrasting religious views in contemporary British society about the use of corporal punishment.

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more other religious traditions. [4 marks]

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Explain TWO religious beliefs about forgiveness.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of religious belief and teaching in your answer. [5 marks]

05.5

‘Deterring people from committing crime is the best aim of punishment.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- **should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- **should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- **should refer to religious arguments**
- **may refer to non-religious arguments**
- **should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

[Turn over]

0 6**THEME F:****Religion, human rights and social justice****0 6 . 1**

Which ONE of the following best describes social justice? [1 mark]

- A Being prejudiced**
- B Protecting human rights**
- C People-trafficking**
- D Being wealthy**

0 6 . 2

Give TWO examples of positive discrimination. [2 marks]

0 6 . 3

Explain TWO contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about the status of women in religion.

In your answer you should refer to the main religious tradition of Great Britain and one or more other religious traditions. [4 marks]

[Turn over]

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Explain TWO religious reasons why people should give money to charity.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of religious belief and teaching in your answer. [5 marks]

06.5

‘Religious teachings can help to stop discrimination against homosexuals.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- **should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- **should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- **should refer to religious arguments**
- **may refer to non-religious arguments**
- **should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

END OF SECTION A

TURN OVER FOR SECTION B

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SECTION B

You should answer **ALL** questions from **BOTH** themes in Section B.

07 **THEME G: St Mark's Gospel – the life of Jesus**

07.1

Which ONE of the following did blind Bartimaeus call Jesus? [1 mark]

- A Son of David**
- B Son of God**
- C Son of Joseph**
- D Son of Man**

07.2

Give TWO things that John the Baptist said when preparing people for Jesus' ministry. [2 marks]

07.3

Explain TWO contrasting Christian beliefs about the healing of Jairus' daughter. [4 marks]

[Turn over]

07.4

Explain TWO reasons why St Mark's Gospel has authority for Christians.

You must refer to St Mark's Gospel in your answer. [5 marks]

07.5

‘Jesus came to teach people what God is like.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- **should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- **should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- **should refer to St Mark’s Gospel**
- **may refer to non-religious arguments**
- **should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

[Turn over]

0 8 **THEME H:**
St Mark's Gospel as a source of religious, moral and spiritual truths

0 8 . 1

Which ONE of the following asked Jesus, 'What must I do to inherit eternal life?'
[1 mark]

- A The man with leprosy**
- B The rich man**
- C The widow at the treasury**
- D The woman with a haemorrhage**

0 8 . 2

**Give TWO teachings that Jesus gave at the Commission (after the resurrection).
[2 marks]**

0 8 . 3

Explain TWO contrasting views about Jesus spending time with tax collectors and sinners. [4 marks]

[Turn over]

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Explain TWO things the healing of the epileptic (demon-possessed) boy teaches about faith.

You must refer to St Mark's Gospel in your answer. [5 marks]

08.5

‘Mark’s Gospel was written only to help people remember the teachings of Jesus.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you:

- **should give reasoned arguments in support of this statement**
- **should give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view**
- **should refer to St Mark’s Gospel**
- **may refer to non-religious arguments**
- **should reach a justified conclusion.**

[12 marks]

[Plus SPaG 3 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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