

# GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES B

Component 2B Perspectives on faith

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Specimen 2018

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

## Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA answer booklet.

## Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer booklet. The examining body for this paper is AQA. The paper reference is 8063/2B.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

### Section A:

- There are two religions. Choose **one** option.
- Answer all the questions from the option you choose.

### Section B:

- There are **two** compulsory themes.
- Answer all the questions from both themes.

## Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 96 plus 5 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 questions. The marks for SPaG are shown below the mark allocation for each question.

## Advice

- You are advised to spend 50 minutes on Section A and 50 minutes on Section B.

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## Section A

Answer all the questions from **either** Option A: Islam **or** Option B: Judaism

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### Option A: Islam

#### BELIEFS

**0 1** . **1** Which one of the following is a Prophet of Islam?

- A) Ibrahim      B) Jibril      C) Mika'il      D) Israfil

[1 mark]

**0 1** . **2** Name two of the Holy Books other than the Qur'an.

[2 marks]

**0 1** . **3** Contrast the beliefs of Islam and the main religious tradition of Great Britain about Jesus (Isa).

Refer to two differences in your answer.

[4 marks]

**0 1** . **4** Explain two Shi'a beliefs about the Imamate.

Refer to scripture or sacred text in your answer.

[5 marks]

**0 1** . **5** 'Muslim teaching about predestination means that people have no free will.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- refer to the teaching of Islam
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

Plus SPaG 5 marks

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**PRACTICES**

- 0 2** . **1** Which one of the following is pilgrimage in Islam?  
A) Tawhid    B) Prophethood    C) Hajj    D) Resurrection  
**[1 mark]**
- 0 2** . **2** Give two of the features of a mosque that allow it to be used as a place of prayer.  
**[2 marks]**
- 0 2** . **3** Explain two ways in which fasting in Ramadan influences the life of a Muslim.  
**[4 marks]**
- 0 2** . **4** Explain two purposes of zakah.  
Refer to the teaching of Islam in your answer.  
**[5 marks]**
- 0 2** . **5** 'It is not important for Muslims to celebrate festivals today.'  
Evaluate this statement.  
  
In your answer you should:
- give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
  - give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
  - refer to the teaching of Islam
  - reach a justified conclusion.
- [12 marks]**  
**Plus SPaG 5 marks**

**END OF QUESTIONS ON OPTION A**

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**Option B: Judaism****BELIEFS**

**0 3** . **1** Which of the following best expresses the meaning of the word 'Messiah'?

- A) God    B) Prophet    C) Chosen People    D) Anointed One

[1 mark]

**0 3** . **2** Give two of the Ten Commandments.

[2 marks]

**0 3** . **3** Contrast the beliefs of Judaism and the main religious tradition of Great Britain about the Messiah.

Refer to two differences in your answer.

[4 marks]

**0 3** . **4** Explain two Jewish beliefs about 'saving a life' (pikuach nefesh).

Refer to scripture or sacred texts in your answer.

[5 marks]

**0 3** . **5** 'For Jews, the most important belief about God is that God is the Law-giver.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- refer to the teaching of Judaism
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

**Plus SPaG 5 marks**

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**PRACTICES**

**0 4 . 1** Which **one** of the following is the oral law in Judaism?

- A) Torah   B) Tallit   C) Tzizit   D) Talmud

[1 mark]

**0 4 . 2** Give two of the religious features of a synagogue.

[2 marks]

**0 4 . 3** Explain two ways in which beliefs about life after death influence Jewish mourning rituals.

[4 marks]

**0 4 . 4** Explain two purposes of the Amidah prayer.

Refer to Jewish teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

**0 4 . 5** 'The festivals of Judaism have no religious importance today.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- give reasoned arguments in support of this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- refer to the teaching of Judaism
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

**Plus SPaG 5 marks**

**END OF QUESTIONS ON OPTION B**

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**SECTION B**

Answer **all** the questions from **both themes**.

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**Theme D: St Mark's gospel – The life of Jesus**

**0 5** . **1** In which town did Jesus meet Bartimaeus?

- A) Bethany    B) Bethphage    C) Jericho    D) Jerusalem

[1 mark]

**0 5** . **2** Give two titles that Bartimaeus used for Jesus.

[2 marks]

**0 5** . **3** Explain two contrasting views in contemporary British society about the historical reliability of the miracles recorded in St Mark's Gospel.

In your answer you must:

- refer to Christian views
- refer to contrasting religious or non-religious views.

[4 marks]

**0 5** . **4** Explain two ways in which Jesus' conversation at Caesarea Philippi was important for his disciples.

Refer to St Mark's Gospel in your answer.

[5 marks]

**0 5** . **5** 'During his time in Gethsemane, Jesus did not set a good example for Christians to follow.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- refer to St Mark's gospel
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

**Plus SPaG 5 marks**

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**Theme E: St Mark's gospel as a source of spiritual truth**

**0 6** . **1** Who was the brother of Simon Peter?

- A) Andrew    B) James    C) John    D) Philip

[1 mark]

**0 6** . **2** Give the two commandments that Jesus said were the greatest.

[2 marks]

**0 6** . **3** Explain two contrasting views about those disregarded by society held by Jesus and the people of his time.

In your answer you must:

- refer to Christian views
- refer to contrasting religious or non-religious views.

[4 marks]

**0 6** . **4** Explain two teachings given in the parable of the sower.

Refer to St Mark's Gospel in your answer.

[5 marks]

**0 6** . **5** 'Jesus' teaching on discipleship has no meaning in today's world.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- give developed arguments to support this statement
- give developed arguments to support a different point of view
- refer to St Mark's gospel
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

**Plus SPaG 5 marks**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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