

STUDIES OF RELIGION

REL315124

Pages: 8

Questions: 9

Answer Booklets: 3

Preparation time for this exam: 15 minutes

Suggested working time: 3 hours

Instructions:

- There are **three (3)** sections to this exam paper.
- You must answer **one (1)** question from **each section** in **essay form**:
 - **Section A** – answer **one (1)** question
 - **Section B** – answer **one (1)** question
 - **Section C** – answer **one (1)** question.
- Write your answers for each question in a **separate answer booklet** and write the question number you are answering on the front cover of each booklet.
- The exam is **three (3) hours** in length. The suggested working time for each section is **approximately 60 minutes**.
- All answers must be written in **English**.
- You **must** make sure your answers address the listed criteria.

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Guide to Exam Structure

		Questions available	Questions to answer	Suggested working time	Marks available
Section	A	2	1	60 minutes	All criteria are assessed using extended ratings of A+ to z
Section	B	2	1	60 minutes	
Section	C	5	1	60 minutes	
Totals		9	3	180 minutes (3 hours)	

Criteria

You **must** make sure your answers address:

- Criterion 1 select and apply communication skills and strategies for specific purposes, contexts and audiences
- Criterion 3 analyse religious beliefs, values and practices
- Criterion 6 analyse a variant within a religious tradition
- Criterion 7 analyse how a religious tradition responds to contemporary religious issues
- Criterion 8 analyse points of view within religious traditions.

Section A

- Answer **one (1)** question in this section in a **separate answer booklet**.
 - The suggested working time for this section is **approximately 60 minutes**.
 - This section assesses **Criteria 1, 3 and 6**.
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Question 1

“Differences in belief, even minor ones, can have a real and lasting impact on people’s lives.”

With reference to the statement above, briefly explain what led to the divide between **two (2)** variants of a religious tradition you have studied. Analyse differences in belief between the **two (2)** variants, including the practical impact of these differences and the ongoing cooperation or conflict between the variants and their adherents.

OR

Question 2



Figure 1

Briefly outline **one (1)** significant difference in practice between **two (2)** major variants of a religious tradition you have studied. Analyse the differences in beliefs or teachings that explain this divergence in practice. With reference to the image above, evaluate whether these differences have contributed to conflict or cooperation between the variants.

Section B

- Answer **one (1)** question in this section in a **separate answer booklet**.
 - The suggested working time for this section is **approximately 60 minutes**.
 - Students who answer **Question 3** in this section of the exam **cannot** answer **Question 6** in Section C.
 - Students who answer **Question 4** in this section of the exam **cannot** answer **Question 7** in Section C.
 - This section assesses **Criteria 1, 3 and 7**.
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Question 3 – Religious responses to suffering

Analysing the beliefs, values and practices of the second religious tradition you have studied – how has the tradition’s understanding of human nature and purpose influenced its understanding of suffering and its proposed responses to suffering?

OR

Question 4 – Religious responses to an ethical issue

Analysing the beliefs, values and practices of the second religious tradition you have studied – how has the tradition’s understanding of human nature and purpose influenced its understanding of an ethical issue and its proposed responses to that issue?

Section C

- Answer **one (1)** question in this section in a **separate answer booklet**.
 - The suggested working time for this section is **approximately 60 minutes**.
 - Students who answer **Question 3** in Section B **cannot** answer **Question 6** in this section.
 - Students who answer **Question 4** in Section B **cannot** answer **Question 7** in this section.
 - This section assesses **Criteria 1, 3 and 8**.
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Question 5 – Women and religion

Outline and explain change or lack of change in a tradition's teaching on the place of women in religion, and the impact of this change or lack of change. Analyse different points of view within the tradition about this change or lack of change. Draw on your teacher-guided depth study, your independent research, plus primary and secondary sources in your response.

OR

Question 6 – Contemporary war or conflict (only if you have not answered Question 3)

Outline and explain change or lack of change in a tradition's teaching on contemporary war and conflict, and the impact of this change or lack of change. Analyse different points of view within the tradition about this change or lack of change. Draw on your teacher-guided depth study, your independent research, plus primary and secondary sources in your response.

OR

Question 7 – Religious ethics (only if you have not answered Question 4)

Outline and explain change or lack of change in a tradition's teaching on a contemporary ethical issue, and the impact of this change or lack of change. Analyse different points of view within the tradition about this change or lack of change. Draw on your teacher-guided depth study, your independent research, plus primary and secondary sources in your response.

OR

Question 8 – Science and religion

Outline and explain change or lack of change in a tradition's response to the challenge brought by science and scientific endeavour, and the impact of this change or lack of change. Analyse different points of view within the tradition about this change or lack of change. Draw on your teacher-guided depth study, your independent research, plus primary and secondary sources in your response.

OR

Question 9 – Aboriginal spirituality

Outline and explain ways that Aboriginal spirituality has changed and adapted. Analyse different points of view on this change or adaptation. Draw on your teacher-guided depth study, your independent research, plus primary and secondary sources in your response.

End of Exam



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