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GCSE
RELIGIOUS STUDIES A

Paper 1 Islam

Thursday 9 May 2024 Morning Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials
Before you open this book, you must ensure you also have:
- the Question Paper/Answer Book for the other **religion option** you are entered for (Buddhism, Catholic Christianity, Christianity, Hinduism, Judaism **or** Sikhism).
  You will have 1 hour 45 minutes to complete **both** Question Paper/Answer Books.

Instructions
- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page **and** on your other book.
- Answer **all** questions.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.

Information
- The maximum mark for this paper is 51.
- The marks for the questions are shown in brackets.
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (**SPaG**) will be assessed in the 12-mark question in the **Beliefs** section.

Advice
You are advised to spend 50 minutes on this religion option and 50 minutes on your **other** religion option.

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0 1 **Islam: Beliefs**

0 1 . 1 Which **one** of the following is **not** one of the six articles of faith in Sunni Islam?

[1 mark]

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A Belief in angels ☐

B Belief in justice ☐

C Belief in predestination ☐

D Belief in prophets ☐

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0 1 . 2 Give **two** Muslim beliefs about the Qur'an.

[2 marks]

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0 1 . 3 Explain **two** ways in which the belief in the Imamate influences Shi'a Muslims.

[4 marks]

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0 1 . 4 Explain **two** Muslim beliefs about the angel Jibril.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of Muslim belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

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0 1 . 5 'For Muslims, the best way of describing God is to say that he is merciful.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:
- refer to Muslim teaching
- give reasoned arguments to support this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]
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0 2 **Islam: Practices**

0 2 . 1 Which **one** of the following is a Muslim pilgrimage?

[1 mark]

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A Hajj ☐

B Jihad ☐

C Khums ☐

D Zakah ☐

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0 2 . 2 Give **two** religious actions Muslims perform during Salah.

[2 marks]

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0 2 . 3 Explain **two** contrasting ways in which Muslims celebrate Id-ul-Fitr.

[4 marks]

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0 2 . 4 Explain **two** reasons why the festival of Ashura is important for Muslims.

Refer to sacred writings or another source of Muslim belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

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0 2 . 5 'For Muslims, Sawm (fasting) is the most important religious activity during the month of Ramadan.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:
- refer to Muslim teaching
- give reasoned arguments to support this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

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