

**Tuesday 15 January 2013 – Morning**

**AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**G576/01/I Buddhism**

**QUESTION PAPER INSERT**

**Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes



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- This Insert is for your reference only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **TWO** questions.

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Answer **two** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain how the Four Noble Truths might be used by Buddhists. [25]
- (b) To what extent can it be argued that the Deer Park Sermon was the Buddha's most important teaching? [10]
- 2 (a) Explain the main practices of bhikkhus and bhikkhunis. [25]
- (b) 'Bhikkhus are much more important in Buddhism than bhikkhunis.' Discuss. [10]
- 3 (a) Explain the relationship between nibbana and parinibbana. [25]
- (b) To what extent can it be argued that nibbana and parinibbana are the same? [10]
- 4 (a) Explain how traditional accounts of the Buddha's enlightenment might be used to illustrate Buddhist teachings and beliefs. [25]
- (b) 'People should not focus on the life of the Buddha but only on his teachings.' Discuss. [10]

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