Answer any **three** questions.

In all your responses, you should:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of religion and belief, including:
  - knowledge and understanding of religious thought and teaching
  - influence of beliefs, teachings and practices on individuals, societies and communities
  - cause and significance of similarities and differences in belief, teaching and practices
  - approaches to the study of religion and belief.

- analyse and evaluate aspects of and approaches to, religion and belief, including their significance, influence and study.

1*  To what extent is the life of the Buddha important to Buddhists?  [40]

2*  ‘Nibbana cannot be explained.’ Discuss.  [40]

3*  ‘There are no significant differences between Soto and Rinzai Zen Buddhism.’ Discuss.  [40]

4*  Critically assess the view that social activism is an important part of Buddhist practice.  [40]

END OF QUESTION PAPER