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Monday 16 May 2022 – Morning

GCSE (9–1) Religious Studies

J625/04 Buddhism

Beliefs and teachings & Practices

Time allowed: 1 hour



No extra materials are needed.



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If you need extra space use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Answer **all** the questions.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **63**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and the use of specialist terminology will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✎).
- This document has **12** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **all** the questions.

1 (a) Name **three** of the Six Perfections/virtues (paramitas).

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(b) Describe **one** feature of a Buddhist pilgrimage site you have studied.

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(c) Describe **one** characteristic of a Bodhisattva.

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(e) 'The Rain Retreat (Vassa) is more important for lay Buddhists than it is for Buddhist monks and nuns.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Analyse and evaluate the importance of points of view, referring to common and divergent views within Buddhism.
- Refer to sources of wisdom and authority.

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2 (a) State the **three** different types of suffering.

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(b) Describe **one** ritual associated with death and mourning.

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(c) Describe what Buddhists mean by Samatha meditation.

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(e)* ‘The Buddha is not important for Buddhists in the modern world.’

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Analyse and evaluate the importance of points of view, referring to common and divergent views within Buddhism.
- Refer to sources of wisdom and authority.

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