



Oxford Cambridge and RSA

**Thursday 16 May 2024 – Afternoon**

**GCSE (9–1) Religious Studies**

**J625/06 Religion, philosophy and ethics in the modern world from a Christian perspective**

**Time allowed: 2 hours**



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 **126**.
- 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 **20** pages.

### ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

## 1 Relationships and families

**(a)** Outline **one** Christian attitude to the annulment of a marriage.

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**(b)** Describe Christian teachings about equality.

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- (c) Explain how Christian teachings might influence the roles of men and women in Christian communities.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer.

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- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Christianity.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Christianity.

 Spelling, punctuation and grammar [3]

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## 2 The existence of God

(a) Name **three** different philosophical arguments for belief in God.

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(b) Describe Christian beliefs about the goodness of God.

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**(c)** Explain why Christians believe that God acts in the world today.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer.

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**(d)** 'Worship and the sacraments are the most important forms of religious experience'.

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Christianity.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Christianity.

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 Spelling, punctuation and grammar [3]

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### 3 Religion, peace and conflict

(a) Give **three** ways Christians can work for peace.

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(b) Describe what Christians mean by Holy War.

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**(c)** Explain the importance of forgiveness to Christians.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer.

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**(d)\*** 'Christian teachings about violence are not important in the 21st century.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Christianity.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Christianity.

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#### 4 Dialogue between religious and non-religious beliefs and attitudes

**(a)** What is meant by the term pluralism?

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**(b)** Outline some of the challenges for Christian religious traditions in Britain today.

In your response you must consider that religious traditions in Great Britain are diverse, but mainly Christian.

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**(c)** Explain why there are different Christian attitudes to abortion.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer.

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(d)\* 'Everyone should have the right to choose when to die.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Christianity.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Christianity.

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