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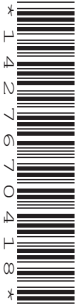
Tuesday 13 May 2025 – Morning

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.

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(a) State **three** features of a Buddhist shrine.

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(b) Describe what is meant by the term **anatta/anataman/anatman**.

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(c) Describe the importance of the lay sangha.

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(d) Explain the relationship between dependent origination and the cycle of samsara.

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(e) 'Death rituals have nothing to do with the Buddha's teachings.'

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. [1]

[15]

 Spelling, punctuation and grammar **[3]**

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2

(a) State **three** unskilful actions.

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(b) Describe **one** activity that takes place in a monastery on an Uposatha Day.

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(c) Describe **one** way that impermanence causes suffering.

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(d) Explain how devotional worship helps to end dukkha.

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(e)* 'The Middle Way is not important to Buddhists today.'

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. [1]

[15]

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