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Wednesday 21 May 2025 – 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 Christian attitudes to civil partnership.

..... [3]

(b) Describe Christian teachings about the importance of marriage.

..... [6]

(c) Explain how Christian teachings influence attitudes to the use of contraception.

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

[6]

- 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) Describe what is meant by the term **conscience**.

..... [3]

(b) Describe different Christian attitudes to miracles.

[6]

- (c)** Explain why there are different Christian beliefs about the goodness of God.

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

..... [6]

(d) 'The problem of evil makes it impossible to believe in God.'

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) Describe what is meant by the term **terrorism**.

..... [3]

(b) Describe different Christian beliefs about forgiveness.

..... [6]

- (c)** Explain different Christian attitudes about the use of violence to achieve peace.

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

..... [6]

(d)* 'There is no such thing as a Holy War for Christians.'

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) Describe what is meant by the term **atheism**.

..... [3]

(b) Describe the role of Christianity in public holidays and key events in Britain today.

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

[6]

..... [6

(d)* 'There is no place for religion in a secular society.'

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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