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Religious Studies 40556 (Specification B) Religious Studies (Specification B) (Short Course)

Unit 6 Worship and Key Beliefs

Tuesday 17 May 2011 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 16-page answer book.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is 40556.
- Answer **four** questions.
- Each question has **four** parts.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer **four** questions.

There are 18 marks for each question.

Each question has **four** parts. Answer **all** four parts of each question chosen.

Question 1

Places of Worship

Look at the photographs below of places of worship.

Buddhism



Christianity



Hinduism



Islam



Judaism



Sikhism



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| 0 1 | Describe the inside of a place of worship in each of two religions. | (6 marks) |
| 0 2 | Explain why religious believers go to a place of worship. | (3 marks) |
| 0 3 | ‘Religious buildings do not attract young people.’

What do you think? Explain your opinion. | (3 marks) |
| 0 4 | ‘Places of worship are only important for the people who worship there.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. | (6 marks) |

Question 2

Worship

Look at the photograph of a woman reading at home.



0 5 Describe how religious believers worship at home in **each** of **two** religions. (6 marks)

0 6 Explain why some religious believers use aids to worship. (3 marks)

0 7 'People worship because it brings them peace.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion. (3 marks)

0 8 'Worship should be as simple as possible.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. (6 marks)

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Question 3

Pilgrimage

Look at the photographs below of places of pilgrimage.

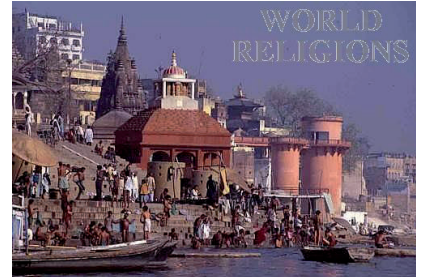
Buddhism



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Describe what pilgrims see and do at a place of pilgrimage in **each** of **two** religions.

(6 marks)

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Explain how going on a pilgrimage might change a religious believer.

(3 marks)

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‘Being with other religious believers is the best part of a pilgrimage.’

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

(3 marks)

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‘A place of pilgrimage can be anywhere that has a special meaning for people.’

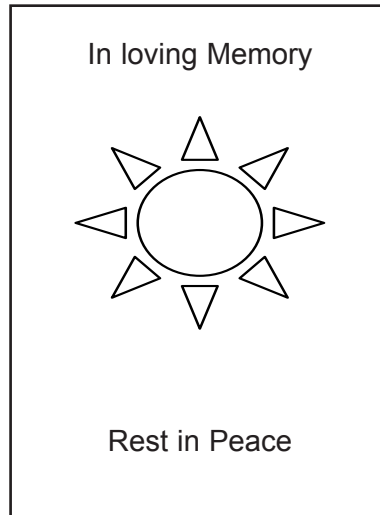
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer.

(6 marks)

Question 4

Origins and Key Beliefs

Look at the picture below of a memorial.



1 | 3 Describe the teachings about the afterlife in **each** of **two** religions. (6 marks)

1 | 4 Explain how believing in the afterlife may affect the way a religious believer lives. (3 marks)

1 | 5 'Believing in God is the most important part of a religion.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. (3 marks)

1 | 6 'It does not matter today how a religion started.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. (6 marks)

Turn over ►

Question 5

Practices and Belonging

Look at the photograph below of a man shopping for food.

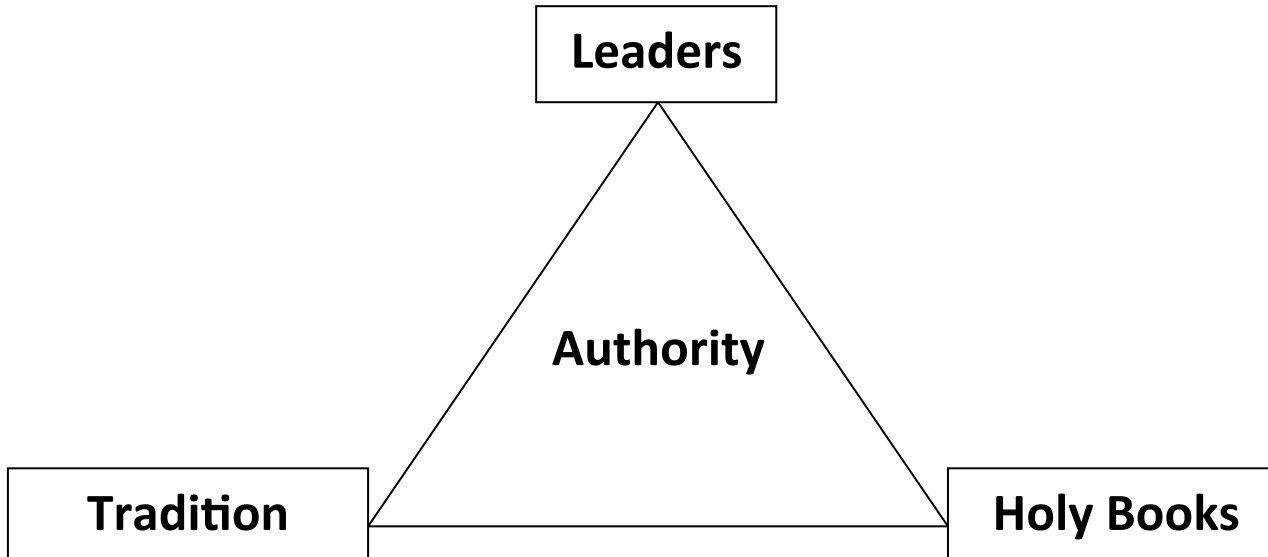


- 1 7** Describe the dietary laws (food laws) in **each** of **two** religions. (6 marks)
- 1 8** Explain why religious rules are important to some religious believers. (3 marks)
- 1 9** 'Marriage is the most important rite of passage.'
- What do you think? Explain your opinion. (3 marks)
- 2 0** 'Religious festivals are just for children.'
- Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. (6 marks)

Question 6

Authority

Look at the diagram below.



- 2 1** Describe the role of religious leaders in **each** of **two** religions. (6 marks)
- 2 2** The tradition of a religion is the way it has been practised in the past.
Explain why tradition is still important today. (3 marks)
- 2 3** 'All religious believers should study what their holy books say.'
What do you think? Explain your opinion. (3 marks)
- 2 4** 'Religious leaders are more important to a religion than tradition and holy books.'
Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to religious arguments in your answer. (6 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS

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