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Paper 1

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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

1 hour 15 minutes

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet. Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in. Write in dark blue or black pen. Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **all** questions in Section A, **two** questions from Section B and **one** question from Section C. At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together. The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A

In this section, answer **all** the questions.

1 CHRISTIANITY

- (a) What does the festival of Pentecost (Whitsun) celebrate? [1]
- (b) State **three** things that happened in the story of Pentecost. [3]
- (c) Explain the importance of this festival for Christians. [6]

2 ISLAM

- (a) What is Ramadan? [1]
- (b) Name **three** special rules which Muslims keep during Ramadan. [3]
- (c) Explain the importance of Ramadan in a Muslim's life. [6]

3 JUDAISM

- (a) What is the name of the place where Jews attend religious services? [1]
- (b) Name **three** religious objects which you would expect to find in this building. [3]
- (c) Explain the importance of this building for the Jewish community. [6]

Section B

In this section, answer **both** parts of **two** questions.

4 CHRISTIANITY

- (a) Describe what happens in the service of Holy Communion (Eucharist). [12]
- (b) Explain the importance of this service for Christians. [12]

5 ISLAM

- (a) Describe a religious wedding ceremony in Islam. [12]
- (b) Explain the importance of a religious wedding for Muslims. [12]

6 JUDAISM

- (a) Describe what happens in a Jewish home at the festival of Pesach (Passover). [12]
- (b) Explain the importance for Jews of the events celebrated at the festival. [12]

Section C

In this section, answer **both** parts of **either** Question 7 **or** Question 8.

- 7 (a) For **two** of Christianity, Islam and Judaism, describe the sacred writings of the religion. [12]
- (b) Explain why these sacred writings are important to believers in **each** of the two religions you have chosen. [12]
- 8 (a) For **two** of Christianity, Islam and Judaism, name a place of pilgrimage and describe what pilgrims do there. [12]
- (b) Explain the importance of pilgrimage to the believers of **each** of the two religions you have chosen. [12]

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