

# A-level

## RELIGIOUS STUDIES

### 2C: Hinduism and Dialogues

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Specimen 2018

Morning

Time allowed: 3 hours

#### Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 16-page answer book

#### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book.
- Answer:
  - **both** two-part questions from Section A, and
  - **one** question from Section B and
  - **one** question from Section C
- 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 100.
- In each two-part question in Section A, the first part tests your knowledge and understanding, while the second part tests your skills of reasoning and evaluation.
- The one-part questions in Sections B and C test your knowledge and understanding and your skills of reasoning and evaluation.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
- use specialist vocabulary where appropriate

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**Section A: Study of Hinduism**

Answer **both** questions in this section.  
Each question has two parts.

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**Question 01**

**0 1** . **1** Examine how Hindu teaching helps Hindus respond to the challenge of secularisation.

**[10 marks]**

and

**0 1** . **2** 'Hinduism has changed in response to secularisation.'

Evaluate this claim.

**[15 marks]**

**Question 02**

**0 2** . **1** Examine why there are different views in Hinduism concerning the issues of:

- marriage
- homosexuality

You should refer to both issues.

**[10 marks]**

and

**0 2** . **2** 'Hindu feminism has had little impact on Hinduism.'

Evaluate this claim.

**[15 marks]**

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**Section B: The dialogue between philosophy and Hinduism**

Answer **one** question from this section.

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**Question 03**

**0 3 . 1** 'Hindu beliefs about the afterlife are reasonable'.

Critically examine and evaluate this view with reference to the dialogue between Hinduism and Philosophy

**[25 marks]**

**OR**

**Question 04**

**0 4 . 1** 'Religious experience gives Hindus knowledge of God.'

Critically examine and evaluate this view with reference to the dialogue between Hinduism and Philosophy

**[25 marks]**

**Turn over for Section C**

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**Section C: The dialogue between ethics and Hinduism**

Answer **one** question from this section.

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**Question 05**

**0 5** **1** 'Hindu ideas of moral responsibility have been undermined by understandings of the nature of free will.'

Critically examine and evaluate this view with reference to the dialogue between Hinduism and ethical studies.

**[25 marks]**

OR

**Question 06**

**0 6** **1** 'Hindu understandings of the status and rights of animals have been undermined by ethical studies into animal rights.'

Critically examine and evaluate this view with reference to the dialogue between Hinduism and ethical studies.

**[25 marks]**

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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