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## Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 7

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Global Ethics

**MV24**

[ARE71]

THURSDAY 20 JUNE, MORNING

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### Time

2 hours, plus your additional time allowance.

### Instructions to Candidates

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

**You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**

**Do not write on blank pages.**

Complete in black ink only.

Answer **two** questions from Section A and the compulsory question in Section B.

## **Information for Candidates**

The total mark for this paper is 150.

Figures in brackets printed at the end of each question indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

## **Advice to Candidates**

You are advised to take account of the marks for each part question in allocating the available examination time.

## Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

- 1 (a) “Free will is the capacity to distinguish what is morally good, and to act on it.”

In light of this statement, clarify the concept of free will. [20 marks]

- (b) To what extent is the hard determinist position more convincing than that of the soft determinist position? [30 marks]

- 2 (a) Outline the religious contribution to the development of human rights. [20 marks]

- (b) Critically assess the claim that virtue ethics offers more to feminists than other ethical theories in addressing issues of gender justice. [30 marks]

**3 (a)** Present a case for how weapons of mass destruction (WMD) make Just War theory meaningless. [20 marks]

**(b)** Critically evaluate the view that to use war and capital punishment to protect society is ethical. [30 marks]

## Section B

### Synoptic Assessment

#### Theme: Conscience, Freedom and Tolerance

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a) “Religious intolerance is a major cause of prejudice and division.”

Outline the evidence to support this claim. You must support your answer with reference to at least **one** other unit of study. [20 marks]

- (b) “Duty is the best motive to act morally.”

Critically assess this claim. You must refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [30 marks]















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