



General Certificate of Secondary Education

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Religious Studies

Paper 2b
The Christian Church with
a Focus on the Protestant Church



GRE22

[GRE22] Assessment

TIME

1 hour 30 minutes.

Assessment Level of Control:

Tick the relevant box (✓)

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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

Answer **all** the questions in **Section A** in the spaces provided in this booklet **and two** from **three** questions in **Section B** in the spaces provided in this booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **Section B** questions **5(c)**, **6(c)** and **7(c)** where **two** questions only are required to be completed.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

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Question Number	Marks
Section A	
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Section A

Answer **all** questions.

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1 The Early Church

(a) (i) The Apostles' Creed gives important facts about the life of Jesus. Name **three** of these facts.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

3. _____ [1]

(ii) Name **two** characteristics of the Early Church.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

(b) Explain why the events of Pentecost were so important for the Early Church.

[5]

(c) “The Apostles’ Creed should be recited at all church services.”

Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer.

[5]

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2 Ordination and the Role of the Minister/Pastor

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(a) (i) Name **two** qualities that a good minister or pastor should have.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

(ii) Name **two** duties a minister or pastor performs as well as leading church worship.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

(iii) Name a style of church government in a Protestant tradition of your choice.

_____ [1]

(b) Do you think ordained ministers should be the only people to lead worship?

Give reasons for your answer.

[5]

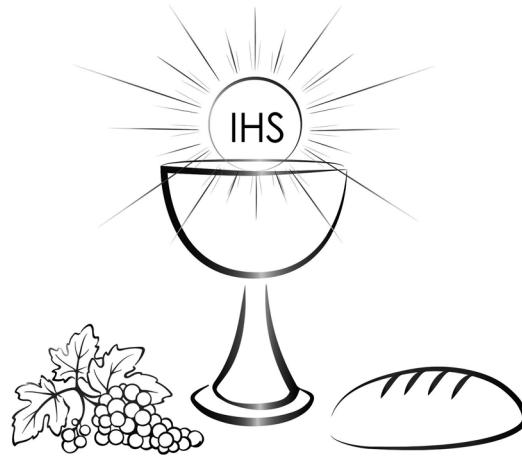
(c) "Congregations expect too much from their ministers or pastors."

Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer.

[5]

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3 Sacraments and Ordinances



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- (a) Describe how communion is celebrated in a Protestant church of your choice.

The Protestant church I have chosen is _____

[5]

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(b) Explain why communion is important for Christians.

[5]

(c) “Everyone should receive communion regardless of their age.”

Do you agree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer.

[5]

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4 Church Furnishings

- (a) Describe **three** main items of furniture and their location in a Protestant church.

[5]

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Section B

Answer **two** questions from this section.

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5 Festivals

- (a) Describe some ways in which Christians use the four weeks of Advent to prepare for celebrating Christmas. [5]

- (b) Explain why Easter is an important festival for Christians. [5]

- (c) “Christians should do more to highlight the real meaning of Christmas.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. [10]

6 Prayer and Worship

- (a) Describe **three** main types of prayer used in Church worship. [5]

- (b) Explain why the Bible is important in the Protestant Church. [5]

- (c) “Fellowship meetings should be used more often by Protestant churches.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. [10]

7 The Reformation

- (a) Outline the main reasons which led to the Reformation in the 16th Century. [5]

- (b) Explain how Protestant churches differ in their beliefs about baptism. [5]

- (c) “The Church today should not be afraid of change.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. [10]

Write your answers to Section B here.

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[10]

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