



General Certificate of Secondary Education

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Religious Studies

Paper 6

An Introduction to
Christian Ethics



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Assessment

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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.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write outside the boxed area on each page or on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **all** the questions in **Section A** 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.



Section A

Answer **all** questions.

1 Personal and Family Issues

(a) (i) Name **one** way in which families can support each other.

_____ [1]

(ii) Name **two** problems that can arise in family life.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

(iii) What is meant by the following terms?

1. Nuclear family

_____ [1]

2. Blended family

_____ [1]



2 Matters of Life and Death

(a) (i) Give **one** argument in favour of prison as a punishment.

_____ [1]

(ii) Give **one** argument against prison as a punishment.

_____ [1]

(iii) Give **three** alternatives to sending law breakers to prison.

1. _____ [1]

2. _____ [1]

3. _____ [1]



Section B

Answer **two** questions from this section.

5 Personal and Family Issues

- (a) Describe some of the alternatives to marriage. [5]
- (b) Explain Christian teaching on divorce. [5]
- (c) “Marriage partners who have a religious faith are more likely to have a successful relationship.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. You should refer to Christian teaching in your answer. [10]

6 Matters of Life and Death

- (a) Outline some of the reasons why a woman might want an abortion. [5]
- (b) Explain why many Christians are in favour of the hospice movement. [5]
- (c) “All decisions about life and death should be left to God.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. You should refer to Christian teaching in your answer. [10]

7 Bioethics

- (a) Describe some of the ways in which an infertile couple may have a family. [5]
- (b) Explain why Christians may differ in their views on reproductive technology. [5]
- (c) “Recent developments in bioethics create more problems than they solve.”

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer showing that you have considered different points of view. You should refer to Christian teaching in your answer. [10]





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