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General marking principles for National 5 Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies

This information is provided to help you understand the general principles you must apply when marking candidate responses to questions in this Paper. These principles must be read in conjunction with the detailed marking instructions, which identify the key features required in candidate responses.

- (a) Marks for each candidate response must always be assigned in line with these general marking principles and the detailed marking instructions for this assessment.
- (b) Marking should always be positive. This means that, for each candidate response, marks are accumulated for the demonstration of relevant skills, knowledge and understanding: they are not deducted from a maximum on the basis of errors or omissions.
- (c) If a specific candidate response does not seem to be covered by either the principles or detailed marking instructions, and you are uncertain how to assess it, you must seek guidance from your team leader.
- (d) In this question paper the following question types are used:

Knowledge and Understanding

These questions require candidates to make relevant, accurate points which demonstrate their understanding of beliefs, practices, issues and arguments studied. Questions may ask for straightforward description, or explanation, for example of the relationship between ideas, or the impact of a belief, practice or issue.

Skills

These types of questions require candidates to demonstrate skills of analysis and evaluation. Where the question asks for an opinion on a viewpoint, candidates may fully agree, fully disagree or show that there is a case for both sides. Candidates may make use of views and arguments studied to make their case.

(e) **General marking instructions**

- Award **1 mark** for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation.
- Where the point is developed, for example by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark.
- A very well developed point may be awarded up to **4 marks**.
- **A maximum of 1 mark** should be awarded for an unexplained list.
- Candidates may offer a one or two-sided evaluation for full marks.
- No marks for simply stating a personal opinion in evaluation questions. Marks should be awarded for reasons.
- No marks for repeating a point already made in part (b) of an (a)/(b) question, however points repeated in response to a different question should be credited where they are correctly applied in a new context.
- Marks should be awarded for appropriate use of sources.

Marking instructions for each question

Section 1

Part A – Buddhism

Question	General marking instructions for this type of question	Max mark	Specific marking instructions for this question
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buddhists meditate by clearing the mind of distracting and harmful thoughts and focus on the Dhamma • Buddhists can meditate in a group in the temple by focusing on a shrine containing an image of the Buddha • Buddhists may sit in the lotus position and close their eyes to follow the example of the Buddha • Buddhists may chant verses from the Dhammapada during meditation • Buddhists may practise Samatha meditation (mindfulness of breathing) through control and focus on the breath in an effort to clear the mind of harmful thoughts • Buddhists may practise Vipassana meditation by attempting to focus on the true nature of the self • Buddhists may practise Meta-bhavana meditation (loving kindness meditation) which is when a Buddhist will focus caring thoughts and kindness on others in order to cultivate love. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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2.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Buddha was born as a prince, who is a role model and lived the perfect life with wisdom and compassion the Buddha realised the truth of suffering through the four sights the Buddha is one of the Three Jewels that Buddhists take refuge in the Buddha shows that others can reach enlightenment if they follow his example the Buddha discovered the Dhamma and helped others find enlightenment the Buddha is seen as a guide/teacher and not to be worshipped he cannot 'save people' and get them enlightened they must find their own path Theravada Buddhists take refuge in the historical Buddha Mahayana Buddhists believe in many Buddhas, and that the Buddha nature is in all human beings. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it might make them strive to be like him and act with wisdom and loving kindness towards others • it might make them seek their own spiritual route to enlightenment knowing that this is the path he took • it might make them show devotion to the Buddha in order to build good kamma • Buddhists might meditate as the Buddha did and in accordance with the eightfold path • Buddhists might practise right speech and right action as instructed in the Dhamma • Buddhists might follow a monastic lifestyle and teach the Dhamma to Lay Buddhists as the Buddha did at the end of his life. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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3.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the 3 root poisons fuel the samsaric wheel and keeps us tied to it they represent the negative aspects of human beings and create negative Kamma we need to rid ourselves of the 3 root poisons in order to attain enlightenment ignorance is represented by the pig and will lead to greed and hate hate is represented by the snake and our ignorance breeds hate greed is represented by the cockerel and if we are led by greed, we will only become selfish which will keep us tied to the wheel all 3 root poisons are interlinked and cause each other and if led by them will only make it more difficult to escape suffering and attain Nibbana. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, for example by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list • candidates may offer a one or two sided evaluation for full marks • no marks for simply stating a personal opinion. Marks should be awarded for reasons. 	8	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • there is a lot of ignorance in today’s world with social media platforms and high profile individuals posting false news on important topics. People are deluded to the truth about many things because they do not fact check and easily believe what they are told if it confirms their bias • the world is very secular now; spirituality and religion is not encouraged in many societies. Instead people are encouraged to think about possessions and status which helps take Buddhists further from realising the truth of existence • people do not read any more. Life is too hectic and social media encourages a limited attention span. Ignorance is a consequence of this • lay Buddhists might find it a struggle to combine their beliefs with the demands and influences in modern society • hatred exists in many sections of society which is encouraged by politicians and other interested parties who are keen to exploit and stir up division. Social media also polarises people’s views and encourages hatred of others • consumerism and capitalism encourages greed and envy. People are made to believe that buying products will make them happier, prettier, younger. They are told that something is missing from their life without them. People’s purchasing power and the economy determines the overall progress of society so greed is encouraged and depended upon. <p>Disagree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • avoiding the three root poisons and achieving Nibbana is the ultimate goal for Buddhists so they will happily take steps to ensure they do this • Buddhists have guidelines in the form of the eightfold path and support in the form of the Three Jewels to help them • the Eightfold Path encourages meditation which gets rid of the three root poisons and craving, this in turn helps Buddhists toward their ultimate goal • meditation helps Buddhists see clearly as it focuses on the truth of existence which in turn gets rid of delusion and ignorance • meditation also fosters right thought which in turn enables Buddhists to perform right action and speech. In doing this Buddhists gain good karma and so move further away from ignorance and delusion

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • taking refuge in the Three Jewels enables Buddhists to gain strength in avoiding the three root poisons. The Sangha offers assistance in the form of mutual support from other Buddhists, the Buddha inspires Buddhists to stick on the path away from the three root poisons so they can achieve enlightenment and the Dhamma gives the Buddhists teachings which inspire and guide in their day to day life. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part B – Christianity

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4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • they might pray – alone or with other Christians within a church • some Christians will light a candle when they pray as a reminder that Jesus in the light of the world • prayer may be the Lord’s Prayer that Jesus taught or may be a personal prayer to thank God, or to express what they feel about Him • they might praise God through the singing of hymns in a choir or as part of the congregation • Eucharist – They will sip wine which represents/becomes the blood of Christ and take a small piece of bread/wafer which represents/becomes the body of Christ. This shows their appreciation to God for sending Jesus to die for people and helps them to feel a close connection to God and Jesus • they might meditate on passages from the Bible to help them connect with God and hear his message • some Christians will use sacred images to help them to focus on God and Jesus • many Christians would see showing loving kindness to others in their everyday lives as an important part of worship too. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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5.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus was the Messiah (Christos), promised in the Jewish scriptures and sent by God as a saviour He is an incarnation of God himself – Emmanuel (God with us) some feel it is essential to believe that his birth was miraculous – that as God’s Son he didn’t need a human father more liberal Christians see his virgin birth as a symbolic way of showing that he was special and blessed by God He is God the Son, one of the three persons in the Trinity Jesus reveals God’s nature to human beings. ‘If you have seen me you have seen the Father.’ for the last few years of his life he was a Rabbi (teacher) who travelled in Galilee teaching people about God and how to bring about His Kingdom he performed miracles as signs of who he was through his death and resurrection, he defeats sin and heals the alienation between God and human beings Jesus ascended to heaven and will come again to judge the living and the dead. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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6.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sin is an inherent part of being human, it is the urge to do bad things and go your own way instead of God's way • it is giving in to the temptation to do the wrong thing • original sin – people are stained by sin passed down through generations due to the first sin committed by Adam and Eve when they ate the forbidden fruit in Eden • some Christians see sin as the state of their existence, and not something that you do • sin has spoiled the close relationship between God and human beings and the only way to restore the relationship is through Jesus' death and resurrection • the story of Adam and Eve suggests sin is why people are mortal, and why there is pain and suffering in the world • some believe that sinners who do not turn to Christ or repent during their lifetime will be condemned to eternity in hell and/or separation from God. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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Part C – Hinduism

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7.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hindus use pictures or murtis (blessed statues) of the chosen gods/goddesses (istadevas) as a focus for their devotions • the image is placed on a throne, bathed and anointed with ghee to show it is an honoured guest • a bell is rung to show that worship is beginning • incense is used to awaken the sense of smell and to purify the air • offerings of fruit and flowers are made to the gods, and blessed food is shared as a gift from the gods to the worshipper (prashad) • the aarti lamp is lit and the flame is passed in front of the image in a circular motion • puja ends with the worshipper passing her/his hand over the flame and over her/his head as a sign of receiving the blessing of God • in the home, puja is generally performed by the mother of the household and is done in a dedicated room or even a cupboard at home • in the Mandir there may be music and the worshippers may chant mantras and offer monetary gifts • worshipers will receive blessings from the priest • Hindus may meditate as a form of worship • loving devotion towards anyone can be seen as a form of worship • celebrating festivals like Divali and Holi is a form of worship. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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8.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Krishna is an avatar of Vishnu the preserver, which means he has the job of keep everything going and look after the earth his godly power is revealed by the many stories about him, eg, holding up Govardhana hill on his pinkie finger to make a massive umbrella for the villagers to shelter under he helps his friend Arjuna in a battle by teaching him all about Hinduism. Their conversation is in the Bhagavad Gita, an important guide for Hindus today. The story shows him fighting against evil, which is the role of the preserver Krishna contains the whole cosmos within him because he is really God. This is shown when his mother looks in his mouth and sees the whole universe. She then realises who he truly is he shows his true nature to Arjuna, but Arjuna can't handle it, so he returns to 'his friendly form' Krishna said: '<i>When righteousness fails and evil rises, then I come to earth, Arjuna.</i>' (Bhagavad Gita). <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • belief in a personal god encourages Hindus to follow Bhakti marga, the path of devotion • Hindus may choose Krishna as an ishvara (personal god) they can relate to, and worship through daily puja at the household shrine • Hindus may study stories about Krishna to find deeper meanings about their relationship with God, eg, the story about Krishna as the Butter Thief teaches that God is beyond human understanding • Hindus may develop a deeply seated love and devotion to Krishna from an early age because they read stories about him as a mischievous child, eg, stealing butter from the milk-maids, and stealing the clothes of the Gopi girls • Hindus may be encouraged to follow the Hindu teaches on dharma because of their love for Krishna • some Hindus may find stories about Krishna difficult to believe or accept because they involve miraculous events such as holding up a mountain or making girls stand naked in front of him. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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9.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Samsara is the cycle of life, death and rebirth Samsara literally means wandering and is described as a trap by Hindus Hindus' ultimate aim is to escape Samsara and reach moksha to escape Samsara Hindus must overcome their ego and achieve the self-realisation (Moksha) it is the atman, not the body that moves in Samsara many Hindus believe in reincarnation which means the atman will be born into a different body after they die the atman's progress in Samsara is determined by karma, which results from an individual's actions. This can be negative or positive progress. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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Part D – Islam

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10.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Candidates may describe worship as following the 5 Pillars, or more generally.</p> <p>Shahadah:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • declaration of Faith. I believe there is one God and that Muhammad is his Messenger • whispered into the ears of newborn children • Muslims try to make sure it is the last thing they say before they die • stating this declaration three times, in full sincerity, is all that is needed to become a Muslim. <p>Salat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prayer five times a day • in the direction of the Ka’aba in Makkah • you can pray in the mosque or in any clean place -perhaps using a prayer mat • Wudu (ritual ablution) before prayer. <p>Saum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fasting during the month of Ramadan • no eating or drinking during daylight hours • exempt if you are very young, very old, pregnant, ill, travelling etc • end of Ramadan is celebrated by Eid ul Fitr. <p>Zakat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • compulsory donation of 2.5% of your surplus wealth to help the poor • mostly given once a year • used as a tax in some Muslim countries • can be donated at a mosque • those whose wealth has not exceeded the ‘nisab’ are exempt. <p>Hajj:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pilgrimage to Makkah • during the month of Dhul Hijjah • must be completed once in your lifetime, unless you belong to one of the exemption categories, eg, disabled, elderly, can’t afford to go etc

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • must wear Ihram – seamless, white garments • must complete the required stages of the pilgrimage to be classed as a Haji (m) or Hajiya (f) • the stages include: circling of the Ka’aba seven times (Tawaf), request forgiveness of sins on the Plain of Arafat, run between the hills of Safa and Marwa, stoning the pillars at Mina, men shave their head • the end of Hajj is marked by Eid ul Adha, and lambs/goats are sacrificed. <p>Reading/Recitation of the Qur’an:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • used during the prayer ritual of Salat • read daily in the morning and at night • supports a Muslim’s submission to Allah • often read in Arabic • if you memorise it you are a Hafiz and you, and seven generations of your family, will go to Paradise. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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11.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Muhammad is ‘The Seal of the Prophets’. This means that there were prophets before him, but Muhammad brought the final revelation of the Qur’an to the people Allah’s words were first given to Muhammad by the Angel Jibreel on Mt Hira, and he had to memorise them because he couldn’t read or write they believe Muhammad was the messenger of God and the Qur’an was revealed to him gradually over time he memorised Allah’s words exactly, so the Qur’an has no errors Muslims believe Muhammad is the founder of Islam Muslims believe that Muhammad is a role model for all Muslims to follow they believe he had a special connection with Allah and was chosen to spread the word of Islam. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muslims might try to follow the example of Muhammad as he is the founder of Islam • they might consult the Hadith for guidance in their lives as the Hadith is the word of Muhammad • they will aim to be trustworthy and honest as Muhammad showed these qualities • they will be hardworking as Muhammad showed this quality throughout his life • Muslims will strive to be caring, compassionate and fair towards others just like Muhammad • Muslims will aim to submit fully to Allah as Muhammad. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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12.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muslims see sin as anything that goes against the commands of Allah • Islam teaches that sin is an act and not a state of being • it is believed that Allah weighs an individual's good deeds and against his or her sins on the Day of Judgement and punishes those individuals whose evil deeds outweigh their good deeds with an afterlife in the fires of Jahannam (Hell) • there is a distinction made between major and minor sins, indicating that if an individual stays away from the major sins, then he/she will be forgiven for their minor sins if they repent • the most serious sin is shirk, which is worshipping anyone or anything in place of Allah • Islam teaches that God is merciful, and individuals can be forgiven if they repent. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list • candidates may offer a one or two sided evaluation for full marks • no marks for simply stating a personal opinion. Marks should be awarded for reasons. 	8	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • society is full of temptations, eg, swearing is part of every day language, we have a culture based around alcohol in social situations, dress codes may not encourage modesty etc, so it is more difficult for modern Muslims to avoid sin • we live in a consumerist society and buying products that are bad for the environment, using fossil fuels etc, goes against the Muslim belief of being a good Khalifa • life is increasingly busy with work, school etc, and this can mean less time for focusing on Allah and how He wants Muslims to live. <p>Disagree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muhammad was a human being who lived at a time when there were many temptations, but he was believed to live a perfect Muslim life, so Muslims can follow his example and do the same today • by practicing Ihsan which is living as though you can see Allah, Muslims can keep focused on living in accordance with the will of Allah • Muslims are not alone – they can draw strength from the Ummah – the community of fellow believers – and this helps them to avoid sin as they encourage each other to follow Allah’s will • Muslims have the Qur’an and the Hadiths to guide them in every aspect of their lives. The Qur’an was for all people for all time, so it is as useful today as when it was given • Muslims can be being mindful of their actions, knowing that Allah knows everything they think and do. They may be too frightened to commit any sinful action as it could impact them on judgement day. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part E – Judaism

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13.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prayer – This can be private or (ideally) collective where there is a minyan. Prayers may be recited from the Prayer Book. There are three prayer services – morning, afternoon and evening, with additional prayers on the Sabbath and holy days. Prayers include supplication and praise, eg, Kaddish. Orthodox men pray after donning the tzitzit, tallit and tefillin • study of the Torah – This should be done privately, but the Torah is also read at Synagogue services, with all 5 books read over the course of 1 or 3 years. Nothing is left out • living according to the Torah – this will include adherence to the 613 mitzvot, ie, obeying the commandments in daily life at home and in civil society as well as religious rituals. This includes food laws, laws about ritual purity, Sabbath etc. These are times when blessings are recited and Jews show their gratitude to God • synagogue services – the congregation follows the liturgy, reciting prayers together, sometimes led by the cantor. Prayers include the Shema – ‘<i>Hear O Israel, the Lord is our God. The Lord is One.</i>’ There are readings from the Torah, and at some services the Haftarah (prophetic books) and Psalms. As the Torah is carried around the congregation worshippers will try to touch it with the fringes of their prayer shawls or prayer books. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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14.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it means ‘leaving’ and refers to the story of the liberation of the Jews from slavery in Egypt • God speaks to Moses through a burning bush – telling him to go to Pharaoh, to ask him to release the Hebrew slaves, but he refuses • Moses warns pharaoh before each of the 10 plagues, sent by God • Hebrews mark their door posts with lambs’ blood, so the angel of death passes over, but many Egyptians die, including the Pharaoh’s son • Pharaoh allows the Hebrews to leave and Moses leads them to the Red Sea • Pharaoh changes his mind, sending soldiers to bring the Hebrews back • Moses parts the Red Sea, allowing the Hebrews to escape to freedom and the Red Sea closes over on the Egyptian army • Moses leads Hebrews to Mt Sinai, where the Commandments are received and the covenant is made • the Hebrews wander in the desert for 40 years before reaching the Promised Land. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it reminds Jews that God is powerful, and their deliverer from times of trouble. This gives hope that they can expect his deliverance in the future too • it is the event that led to the Hebrews journeying to Sinai where the covenant was made with God and the Jews received the commandments. This is the basis of their relationship with God and their status as His Chosen People. Without it there would be no Judaism • it gave Jews freedom to worship the one true God • Jews will celebrate Pesach/Passover with the Seder meal and will read from the Haggadah • remembering the Exodus at Passover connects Jews with their history and their ancestors and binds them together • since the key way to remember the Exodus is reenactment through the haggadah, this offers an opportunity to turn the memory into a moral dynamic where it evokes feelings of repulsion and determination to help others escape slavery and oppression • the Seder is deliberately designed to hold the children’s attention, to fascinate them with their people’s history so that they will feel impelled to take up the covenantal task. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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15.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> can mean things like going astray (chet), or transgressing anything that goes against the 613 mitzvot would be seen as a sin people are born morally neutral but have a tendency to want to give in to their animal nature (yetzer ha ra) and this can lead them astray so that they make bad choices, using free will no-one is perfect there are two kinds of sin – those against God (eg, breaking Shabbat), and those against people (eg, gossip and lying, lashon hara) the latter are considered more serious some sins are worse than others. This is because they can range from being deliberate to sins of passion/emotion, or unintentional sins. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list • candidates may offer a one or two sided evaluation for full marks • no marks for simply stating a personal opinion. Marks should be awarded for reasons. 	8	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sin is classed as any transgression of the 613 mitzvot, so following all those laws will be incredibly difficult. Have we been set up to fail? It seems so easy to sin • the talmud says that we should aim to be as great as Moses, but he was exceptional – it’s not realistic to expect individual Jews to live up to his standard • humans have a dual nature to battle with, it’s difficult to keep your yetzer rah in check all the time • the modern world makes it much easier to sin, eg, social media and the internet may encourage covetous temptations for material things, wealth, lust and gossiping – all of which are sinful (Avon – iniquity) • in a world that is becoming increasingly secular and obsessed with material goods, it can be hard to focus on your faith when you feel that you are in the minority • without the Temple Jews are simply unable to observe some of the mitzvot. <p>Disagree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God has given his rules for living, so if Jews take care to follow these, they can avoid sin • people have free will so Jews can make the effort to live in line with yetzer tov – the good inclination that reminds them of God’s law • Jews are not alone in their drive to live by the mitzvot – they have a supportive community which is following the same commandments, and this encourages them to live good lives and avoid sin • Jews can study the Torah, and they will hear it read weekly in the synagogue. This will keep the mitzvot in their minds and help them to avoid sin • the Talmud helps Jews to understand how to follow God’s commandments in every aspect of life, eg, by explaining what is considered to be work on the Sabbath, so it’s clear what they should or should not do • the story of Job shows that even when he had lost everything, he was able to remain faithful to God. Few people will be tested like him! <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part F – Sikhism

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16.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Prayer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pray at any time and place. Regard prayer as a way of spending time in the company of God • pray to God as a person and friend who cares for them, eg, Jupji – The morning prayer of the Sikhs <p>Meditation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • meditating on God at all times. (Naam simran/nam japna.) Involves repeating one of the Sikh names for God. (Waheguru) or the Mool Mantra • young Sikhs are encouraged to sing or chant God’s name • Simran can also take the form of singing (kirtan). <p>In the Gurdwara:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • when Sikhs go to the gurdwara, they will already have made sure they are clean • they take off their shoes and cover their heads before entering the main hall • make offerings to the Guru Granth Sahib of flowers, food or money • most prostrate before the Guru Granth Sahib and then sit down on the floor, men on one side, women on the other • reading from the Guru Granth Sahib. <p>Sewa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • service to the community • three parts. Physical service – working in the Langar. Mental service – studying the Guru Granth Sahib. Material service – giving money. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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17.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guru Gobind Singh created the Khalsa order as a community of saint-soldiers who were dedicated to selfless service and self-sacrifice for the good of others Guru Gobind Singh encouraged women to become members of the Khalsa all men who joined the Khalsa would be given the name 'Singh', meaning 'lion' all women who joined would be given the name 'Kaur', meaning 'princess' Guru Gobind Singh asked his followers who was willing to give their head for God. One brave man eventually came forward and was taken into a tent. The Guru came out with a bloodstained sword and asked for another four volunteers. After the fifth man went into the tent, the Guru brought them back out – alive and unharmed Khalsa a Sikh man or woman must wear the Five Ks. Kesh – uncut hair. Kangha – a wooden comb. Kachera – cotton shorts/underwear. Kara – an iron bracelet worn on the wrist. Kirpan – a sword. This should be carried at all times. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Khalsa Sikhs today must act as a role model for other Sikhs strong spiritual relationship with God through meditation and regular prayer not having or touching alcohol, tobacco and drugs refusing to eat meat as God's divine light runs through every living thing. greater opportunities for Sewa and Simran, which will make others think well of them cultural pressure in today's society could affect them wearing the five K's. Suffer insulting comments regarding obvious symbols such as kesh, uncut hair and the wearing of a turban they could feel important, as they are part of a tradition which goes right back to Guru Gobind Singh they are forced to be disciplined and think about actions/thoughts so should say and therefore should not have to say sorry for things they have said or done wrong. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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18.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> human beings should try to control them lead the soul away from God they steal the unique opportunity to reunite with God they are the root cause of maya and haumai Kam (Lust) Not evil on its own. When you satisfy one's own needs and no longer focus on love for another person-then it is regarded as an evil Krodh (Anger) All-consuming and destructive anger. Lack of self-control and is harmful to others Lobh (Greed) A desire to gain wealth. If a person's actions and thoughts are focused on possessing the material things in life they are no longer focused on God Moh (Attachment) Any form of emotional attachment which makes human beings forget God. Love for family, is not evil in itself – but when attachment becomes excessive it is destructive and leads the soul away from God. The most difficult of the Five Evils to understand and to overcome Ankar (Pride) The worst of the five evils. Makes human beings believe that they are more important than others. This makes them treat others badly and leads to injustice. Also can lead to the belief that they are more important than God. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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Section 2

Part A – Morality and justice

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19.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> poverty – a person might commit crime because they are in poverty, for example someone might shop lift food to eat, or other items they or their family need addiction – a person might commit crime to pay for drugs that they are addicted to, or they may commit a crime because they are under the influence of drugs or alcohol environmental factors – a person might commit a crime because of their environment, for example they may have been brought up in an environment where there is a lot of crime so they may also turn to crime as it is normalised peer pressure – a person might commit crime because of the people they are with, for example they could be pressured to join a gang and feel that they have no other option upbringing – a person may have had a traumatic upbringing that exposed them to crime and led to them falling in with others who commit crimes greed/self-interest – a person might commit crime because it benefits them personally or financially crimes of passion – a person may commit crime due to intense emotions at a particular point in time, they might hurt someone through anger etc psychological factors – a person may commit a crime due to a severe mental health issue that prevents them from realising what they are doing at the time or a person may be a psychopath and lack empathy for others and have compulsion to commit harm to others genetics – there are two genes that can greatly increase the chance of a person committing violent crimes CDH13 and MAOA, they are not a direct cause but with other factors combined people with these genes are 13 times more likely to commit a violent crime than those without. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lack of good male role models is a contributing factor which needs addressed in society • she says there needs to be a joined-up approach of supporting people who have committed crimes to break the cycle of re-offending. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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20.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Tagging:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> this involves having an electronic tag fitted that monitors the offenders' whereabouts this can be used to impose a curfew after a set time for anti-social behaviour or to prevent them from going into certain areas if the offender goes against this or tries to remove their tag, it will set off an alarm informing the police, and the offender will be arrested and could be sentenced more harshly. <p>Fines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> this is usually given for less serious crimes such as motoring offences where nobody is harmed, or for possession of low-class drugs the fines can be dependent upon the earnings of the person so it can be a large amount of money for someone who earns a lot, or it could be paid up over instalments. <p>Community payback/order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> this can be given for crimes such as damage to property, theft, or assault that is not considered serious enough for a prison sentence the offender may complete a certain number of hours of unpaid work so that they are paying back into society the unpaid work could be things like removing graffiti, decorating community spaces etc a community order could also include or alternatively include a treatment program to help with addiction issues etc. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in Exodus there are lots of crimes for which capital punishment is given as the appropriate response • even if you are religious there are many other things that are likely to concern you as well as capital punishment, you may not be able to do anything about it. Or it may be unsafe for you to show your opposition to the state. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part B – Morality and relationships

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22.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Traditional marriage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> when a man and woman make a legal commitment to each other they vow to love one another, eg, in sickness and in health, be faithful to each other until death parts them some see this as the right context for starting a family. <p>Arranged marriage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> this is when family (for example parents) helps to arrange a marriage eg by finding and introducing a suitable partner couples may not have met each other prior to marriage, but often meet beforehand and agree to marry in Hinduism this is based on caste and horoscopes arranged marriages may be about joining families as well as individuals. <p>Forced marriage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> these marriages occur when either or both participants have been pressured into entering matrimony, without giving their free consent forced marriage is illegal in the UK so some girls and women are forced or tricked into travel to another country to be forced into a marriage. <p>Same sex marriage (equal marriage):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> same sex marriage is when a couple who are of the same sex get married this can be done in some places of worship or officiated by a registrar, eg, a castle or hotel the couples have exactly the same rights and benefits as a couple in traditional marriage. <p>Maximum of 4 marks if only one type given.</p> <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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23.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> some see men being the breadwinner; going to work, making the money and protecting the rest of the family women might be expected to be the homemaker; to be in the home, looking after the children and doing the cooking and cleaning can include the idea that men should stick to jobs associated with physical strength, eg, in construction men may be seen as more suited to jobs high up in the hierarchy such as a manager or a senior doctor women may be seen as better suited to caring roles like childcare, nursing etc they may also be seen as better suited to lower positions in the hierarchy such as auxiliaries, assistants, clerical roles some reject gender roles and believe that men and women have equal potential and should be able to contribute to society in whichever way they choose, eg, career, role in home life, sport, dress etc. <p>Marks may be awarded for describing specific religious or non-religious views on gender roles.</p> <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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			<p>Disagree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • being equally loved by God doesn't mean everyone should have the exact same opportunities or possible roles, so, eg, for some religious people the distinct roles for men and women are an important way of showing faithfulness to God, eg, the traditional role of Jewish women in the household • religious people should be able to stick to what their scriptures or traditions teach rather than following what society says, so, eg, they shouldn't feel pressured to promote things like equal marriage if it goes against what they believe • Jesus only had male disciples, so it makes sense that women are not allowed to be priests • for some Hindus, sticking to traditional roles is part of Varnashrama Dharma – it helps to build up positive karma and ensures that everyone knows their place in society – so it would be wrong to promote equal opportunities for all. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part C – Morality, environment, and global issues

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25. (a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Climate change:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the planet is getting warmer, average temperatures have increased by nearly 1°C in the last 100 years, and the polar ice caps are melting the majority of the scientific community believe this is a result of human activity; gases such as carbon dioxide, are major contributors to the observed increase in our planet’s temperature over the past 50 years. This is a result of depending on fossil fuels for our energy. A consequence of climate change is that we are experiencing more extreme weather patterns as the seas get warmer. <p>Deforestation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> in the last 50 years, human beings have destroyed 50% of all forest and woodland. This is due to the need for timber, constructions and fuel, or more space to grow crops most species, including humans, need the oxygen from trees to survive and the increase in carbon dioxide resulting from deforestation has contributed to the greenhouse effect there is evidence that deforestation is the cause of a dramatic loss of tropical forest plant and animal species. <p>Pollution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> pollution is caused when harmful substances are released into the environment and poison the biodiversity which lives there acid rain is produced when chemicals from burning fuels rises into the atmosphere and falls with rain oil spills occur when a ship spills oil into the seas, the crude oil floats on the top of the water and can cause severe damage to wildlife pesticides and fertilisers are used in agriculture and can kill fish when they enter lakes or rivers. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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26.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> living in poor households can make children feel unequal to others. This can then make them less hopeful about getting on in life money worries can make people feel stressed, anxious and depressed. Young people often don't let it show but it's a difficult environment to grow up in children who have lived in persistent poverty during their first seven years have cognitive development scores on average 20% below those of children who have never experienced poverty people living in poverty will die nine years earlier than their rich counterparts children living in overcrowded inadequate housing are more likely to contract meningitis, experience respiratory difficulties and have mental health problems, such as anxiety and depression as with children, adults who live in poverty experience worse health outcomes poverty can make it difficult for parents to maintain a work-life balance that allows them to spend time at home caring for their children and to be active and involved with school. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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Part D – Morality, medicine, and the human body

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28.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> human embryos provide a renewable resource for studying normal development and disease in humans they can be used to test drugs and other therapies most projects involving embryos are attempting to improve the delivery of IVF treatments possibly develop new contraceptives they are studied to improve the survival rates of naturally conceived embryos improving the understanding of how early human embryo cells become more specialised during early development and providing insight into some causes of pregnancy failures and birth defects many projects are concerned with removing genetic disorders, such as preventing transmission of mitochondrial DNA disease from mother to child investigate how chromosomal abnormalities in eggs and embryos arise, and why eggs of older women more likely to have chromosomal abnormalities developing the ability to split one embryo into two, both of which will have the same genetic information to reduce the number of embryos used. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Humanism:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • benefits humanity if we find cures to inherited diseases so good consequences outweigh the bad • the embryo doesn't have personhood – no self-awareness/ability to feel pain/emotion • spare embryos are routinely disposed of so donors (parents) may prefer unused embryos to be used to alleviate suffering • existing life is more important than potential life • it could lead to devaluing the diversity of life – human's characteristics could be selected/eliminated till humans become very similar (slippery slope argument) • designer babies creating a two-tier social system – those designed and those created naturally • there is always the possibility of a rogue scientist using the technology to further his own ends (similar to Nazi master race). <p>Peter Singer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the embryo has no rights as rights are only given to a person • the embryo is just a collection of cells so can be researched on • the embryo in the petri dish is not classed as human, because it is not in the mother • possible harm to potential life is less than the benefits to the many • in reproductive uses it reduces the need for abortion and therefore reduces distress to parents • since we have the technology, we should use it to benefit people. <p>Utilitarian position:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enables childless couples to have children, thus increasing their potential happiness and that of their family and friends • minimises suffering/pain of the majority for example families suffering from inherited genetic illnesses like Hunter's Syndrome • may lead to more successful treatments, therapies and cures including cancer treatment and organ transplantation • difficulty in predicting the consequences of embryo research, unleashing diseases and mutations that will affect future generations

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the lack of respect for the individual’s right to life. If a Utilitarian believes life starts at conception the large number of lives lost due to wasted embryos and/or those experimented on will be morally wrong in his/her view. <p>The BMA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is strongly supportive of embryonic stem cell research because it has the potential to improve our understanding of and treatment for many very serious medical conditions • makes use of potentially wasted embryos as most embryo research uses embryos left over from IVF treatment that have been donated for research. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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29. (a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Active:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • this is where a person carries out an action in order to end the life of a suffering person • it could be for example a physician, or a friend or family member administering a drug, or smothering a person with a pillow • it tends to be offered where the suffering person is unable to end their own life because they are unconscious or have no motor control, so don't have the option of assisted dying. <p>Passive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it is intended to bring the life of a suffering person to an end, but it does not involve an act which directly kills • it might involve the withdrawal of treatment, including medicine, feeding, or life support • this is legal in the UK and tends to be used where a person has no hope of recovery, and where it is felt that prolonging their life artificially would be cruel or would lead to increased suffering. <p>Voluntary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • euthanasia that is carried out at a person's request, either active or passive. <p>Non-voluntary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • euthanasia (active or passive) is carried out without the consent of the person because they are unable to give it, for example because they are unconscious or in a persistent vegetative state. <p>Involuntary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • this means euthanizing a person who has not consented, even though they are capable of giving consent • it tends to be seen as unethical by those who would like to see voluntary euthanasia legalised. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • some Buddhist may believe it can be morally right for an enlightened person to help someone end their life as this will be a skilful action of infinite compassion and ultimate wisdom. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part E – Morality and conflict

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31.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	6	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Weapons of mass destruction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> explosive power of nuclear weapons is phenomenal, as result of a nuclear chain reaction those at the point of detonation of a nuclear weapon will be vaporised immediately. Those further away may be killed by the force of the blast, others by various forms of radiation, some of which will damage cells and take a very long time to kill you very painfully at Hiroshima, within a radius of half a mile, the only remains of most of the people caught in the open were their shadows burnt into stone. People in underground shelters who survive the initial heat flash will die as all the oxygen is sucked out of the atmosphere. In the long-term Radiation-induced cancers will affect many. <p>Smart weapons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> missile equipped with a laser, television, or satellite guidance system. Can be programmed to strike a specific target by entering coordinates, eg, a Tomahawk/Cruise Missile someone in an aeroplane or on the ground points a laser at a target, a computer on the smart missile finds the reflection of the laser on the target some can be programmed to seek out certain properties – like heat seeking missiles which can ‘chase’ a moving enemy target like a jet. <p>Conventional weapons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> any weapons that are in relatively wide use that are not weapons of mass destruction, eg, guns, grenades and landmines multiple Launch Rocket System can fire rockets with warheads filled with 644 bomblets, which disperse in mid-air to shower the target bombs that are just larger than was used in the past. For example, the ‘Mother of All Bombs’ dropped on Afghanistan was 9,800kg and destroyed everything within 90m. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Utilitarianism:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Utilitarian would justify the use of any weapon/action if it adhered to the general happiness principle • a Utilitarian may agree with the use of modern armaments if it meant that a greater good could be established at the end of it. If it caused fewer deaths in the long run, then it is justified • Utilitarians might be for the possession of nuclear weapons because they deter other countries from attacking. This means less people are likely to suffer and so the majority benefits • Utilitarians might be for the use of nuclear weapons because they might bring a war to a quicker end. This means less people die and the happiness of the majority is secured • a Utilitarian might sanction the use of smart missiles as they only destroy military targets with minimal accidents and loss of innocent life. Thus suffering is reduced and only the enemy is destroyed • Utilitarians might argue against the use of any weapon as they cause harm, inflict harm and contradict the GHP • Utilitarians might argue against the possession of nuclear weapons because they create a climate of fear in the world. This could also be seen as an act of aggression which further terrorises society. This means that society as a whole suffers and the wellbeing of the majority is reduced • Utilitarians might argue against the use of biological, chemical or nuclear weapons because their use is indiscriminate and innocents die. This means suffering is increased • Utilitarians might argue against the use of nuclear weapons because they cost so much money to maintain which could be better spent improving society and so furthering the happiness of the many for example school, health etc.

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			<p>Humanism:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Humanists try to promote happiness in this life because they believe it is the only one we know we have. This makes many humanists think very carefully before supporting the use of modern armaments since loss of life is guaranteed • Humanists believe they have a duty to care for all human beings and also for future generations. This means Humanists might be against modern armaments as they kill innocent life and can leave the environment damaged for many years • Humanists believe that humans should use their intellectual power to benefit mankind. This means a Humanist might disagree with modern armaments as they do not help human beings to flourish • a Humanist would use science for constructive reasons and not for destructive and so might disagree with nuclear weapons as the consequences of using them could destroy the human race • a Humanist believes that all life is valuable and that the right to life is an important ideal. This means a Humanist might be against conventional weapons as the lives of soldiers are just as important as citizens • Humanists support the ideals of freedom and democracy and might support the use of modern armaments if it means upholding these values against an aggressor • Humanists might support the use of modern armaments if it meant that there would be a greater outcome for humanity than if they weren't used at all • Humanists might support the possession of nuclear weapons if they acted as a deterrent to war • Humanists might support the use of nuclear weapons if it meant bringing a war to a quicker end and so allowing more lives to be saved in the long run. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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32.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> diplomatic sanctions might involve withdrawing or expelling diplomats, eg closing embassies economic sanctions can include putting limits on (or stopping) trade of particular goods or services, withdrawal of investment in industry or infrastructure, withdrawal of financial aid; putting tariffs on some exports an arms embargo would mean suspending the sale or supply of arms to a country immigration sanctions involve limiting people's ability to leave or enter another country sports sanctions would exclude some nationals from participating in sporting events. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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Section 3

Part A – Origins

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34.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Literal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a literal interpretation of creation stories means that every word is true. Creation stories are divinely inspired stories so are infallible • so if God created everything in 6 days then this is exactly how things happened • to question the creation stories is to question God • there is a contradiction between literal understandings of the creation story and scientific understandings of beginnings. <p>Metaphorical:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a metaphorical interpretation of the creation stories means that not every word is true as symbolic language is used. For example, the 6 days could represent periods of time as in Hebrew a day can be translated as an age • the message of the stories are important as they show the power of God • metaphorical understandings of creation stories are compatible with scientific theories such as the Big Bang and Evolution • <i>'let there be light'</i> could refer to the Big Bang which created time, space and matter. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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35.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all life on earth shares a common ancestor • life is thought to have started in the oceans; with all the variety we see today evolving over millions of years to suit a huge range of habitats • the first simple life forms gradually evolved into more complex life forms, adapting to suit their environments. The ‘fittest’ survived changing conditions and the ‘unfit’ did not and became extinct • two main elements in evolution are competition (survival of the fittest) and variation (caused by mutations at a genetic level) • organisms that are well suited to their environmental surroundings will do well and survive and pass on copies of their successful genes to their descendants. Those with unfavourable genes will die out • human life evolved from earlier forms of life which had developed and survived, which is why they share characteristics/ancestors with other primates • Darwin discovered a number of examples of evolution on the Galapagos Islands, for example, the finches and turtles which had adapted according to food availability on that island. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation. • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark. • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks. • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. • candidates may offer a one or two sided evaluation for full marks. • no marks for simply stating a personal opinion. Marks should be awarded for reasons. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • someone might say that the theory of evolution gives a scientific reason for the varied species on our planet. No intelligent creator or designer is needed because it happened through a process of natural selection • Darwin’s finches showed that life adapted through a natural process and different species developed according to food availability rather than being created by God • evolution is gradual process, but in the Bible everything is created in its final form • there is evidence for the theory of evolution such as fossils and other examples such as the peppered moth which changed from white to black to camouflage against the smoke and soot of the industrial revolution but there isn’t the same evidence of the religious creation stories and they were written in pre-scientific times when people thought the world was flat • the theory of evolution is ‘survival of the fittest’ and ‘adapt or die,’ which isn’t compatible with the idea of an all-loving creator God • humans are part of the same process, so not special and different from other animals as some creation stories claim. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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36.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> science explains the origins of the Universe with the Big Bang theory which was a vast inflationary expansion on a massive scale everything in the universe, including time, began with the Big Bang this happened around 13.7 billion years ago everything originally concentrated into a very dense ‘particle’ called a singularity which expanded with huge force particles which were produced expanded and cooled, leading to the first elements – Hydrogen and Helium hot Hydrogen and Helium clumped together by gravity and formed the first stars from which came galaxies heavier elements (carbon, oxygen, etc) formed in hot stars through fusion and were thrown out into space in supernovae clouds of debris from exploding stars developed which spun under the force of gravity to produce new stars and the first planets – the earth was formed about 4.6 billion years ago the universe is still expanding today. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation. • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark. • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks. • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. • candidates may offer a one or two sided evaluation for full marks. • no marks for simply stating a personal opinion. Marks should be awarded for reasons. 	8	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • religious explanations for the origins of the Universe are not convincing as the Old Testament was written thousands of years ago and is pre-scientific • we now know a lot more about the Big Bang because of science which can seem to contradict the religious stories in Genesis • there is evidence for the Big Bang theory such as background radiation, red shift and religion doesn't offer this kind of evidence eg, it seems far-fetched that God created the world in 6 days when science states the Big Bang happened billions of years ago • we need to understand the beginnings of the universe through empirical evidence as this is more reliable and which is the grounding of the scientific method • the more a theory is confirmed through verification, the greater the likelihood is of its being correct. This has happened many times with the big bang theory • using the same methods, knowledge and information can be discovered by anyone anywhere which makes the big bang theory much more convincing than any religious story about the origins of the universe • science is all we need to understand the universe as material stuff is all that exists. The laws of physics give a full explanation, so there is no room for God (<i>'What need then for a creator?' – Stephen Hawking</i>). <p>Disagree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • religious explanations for the origins of the Universe are convincing because the Bible is the word of God and so cannot be questioned • science cannot give us absolute knowledge and therefore religious creation stories still play a part understanding of the beginnings of the universe • there is still no explanation for what caused the Big Bang. It could have been God • scientific bias can enter into the experiment without anyone being aware of it • many scientists believe in God so would find the creation stories convincing in a metaphorical way. God could have been the spark (the First Cause) which started the Big Bang

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the origins of life are very mysterious and science is based on theories which develop over time. We might be getting closer to new discoveries such as the God particle • Okham's razor would suggest the simplest explanation is the right one and God is the simplest explanation for our beginnings rather than a complex scientific accident • the creation stories are convincing because they give people meaning, value and purpose in their lives. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part B – The existence of God

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37.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • omnipotent – all-powerful, so can do anything or able to do all • only one God in monotheistic tradition • omnipresent – everywhere in the universe • immanent – near to people • omniscient – knows all things, past, present and future, and people’s thoughts and motives • transcendent – beyond the physical universe and normal experience • can’t be known/described/represented • creator of everything • God loves his creatures • interventionist – God acts in the events of history. God controls all things. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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38.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paley’s watch analogy – if someone walking over a heath, stumbled against a stone and asked how it got there, they might reason it had always been there – it had no purpose or reason if they found a watch they might notice that its various parts are complex and it shows evidence of regularity and purpose it would be reasonable to conclude that the watch must have had a watchmaker the universe, like the watch, shows evidence of regularity (eg, movement of planets, seasons etc) and purpose (eg, eyes for seeing, wings for flying etc) it would therefore be reasonable to infer that the universe also had a maker the designer of this complex universe must also be a superior intelligent being whom we can call God. <p>Marks may be awarded for other versions of the teleological argument.</p> <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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39.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aquinas' first of five ways (motion) says that everything that moves is moved by something else this cannot be infinite, or the movement would not have started in the first place, therefore this means that there must be an 'unmoved mover' God the second of Aquinas' five ways (causality) states that everything has a cause there cannot be an infinite number of causes therefore there must be an 'uncaused cause' and this means that God is the First Cause Aquinas' third of five ways (potentiality) says that nothing can come from nothing something only comes into existence as a result of something that already exists. Therefore, there must be something with 'necessary being' that exists of itself and this is God. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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Part C – The problem of evil and suffering

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40.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Describe different types of suffering.</p> <p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • suffering caused by ‘natural evil’ for example, natural disasters such as earthquakes or tsunamis, or simply ageing and the death of those we love • suffering can be a result of ‘moral evil’, actions by humans that are morally wrong, eg, hurting another person, bullying, abuse etc • people can also cause suffering to others without meaning to, eg, if a relationship breaks down and one person no longer loves the other that could cause suffering • in Eastern tradition, suffering can be caused by the un-satisfactoriness of life • Determinists might say it may be caused by biology or past experiences, over which we have no control. <p>Candidates may also write about physical, mental, psychological, or emotional suffering.</p> <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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42.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God gives people free will at creation. People make bad choices and suffering is the result. The fall affected the natural world as well as human beings helping to explain natural disasters • some may explain it as a punishment for sin • God sends it to test/strengthen faith • some say nothing happens that isn't God's will, so suffering must be part of his greater plan which is beyond the ability of humans to know • some might say God doesn't want suffering and evil, but permits it as the price of freewill • some may say there is meaning and purpose in our suffering, that God is with us when we suffer and that it can strength our relationship with God • Buddhists would say that everyone suffers, it is a natural part of the human condition (duhha) and we suffer because of tanha (craving and attachment to impermanence) • we suffer and cause others to suffer when we act from the root poisons (greed, hatred and ignorance) • Buddhists and Hindus could say we suffer due to the Kamma/Karma of our own actions both in this life and from previous lives. They could also say people suffer because they cling to impermanent things and are ignorant of the truth of reality. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second marks • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list • candidates may offer a one or two sided evaluation for full marks • no marks for simply stating a personal opinion. Marks should be awarded for reasons. 	8	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • much of the suffering and evil in the world is caused by the behaviour of human beings. This is a result of humans having freewill, so it fits in with religious explanations that freewill is a cause of suffering • not all religious people believe in an interventionist God. For some his transcendence means he isn't involved in the world so examples of suffering in today's world don't challenge their view • some Christians could argue that God has intervened in the form of Jesus, and this was to ultimately defeat evil and suffering, and gives hope of a future where there would be no pain, so God is with us in our suffering and cares • some may argue that they experience God in suffering, that their faith supports them through these difficult times, and others find faith at these times, or meaning in their suffering • the Irenaen theodicy that we are changing and progressing towards a perfect creation might be more convincing as we see it backed up by examples of the world becoming a better place – for example human rights, cures for illnesses etc. Suffering can help you to develop as a person and to have compassion for others • in Buddhism suffering is one of the marks of existence, which means that it happens to everyone and that we suffer because of tanha – our cravings and attachment to impermanence. This is a convincing explanation because we can relate to this, everyone does suffer in some way and often it is because we desire something we cannot have, for example. we suffer when loved ones pass away. <p>Disagree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the suffering and evil in the world can be explained through non-religious explanations. Psychology can explain human behaviour eg people who commit horrible crimes often have a past with significant trauma, or suffer from an extreme mental illness • natural disasters can be explained through a scientific understanding of the way that the world works eg tectonic plates colliding to cause earthquakes • some of the suffering that people endure is so horrific that it cannot be part of the plan of a good and loving God

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • suffering is not just so cannot be a punishment, eg, childhood cancer, babies born with conditions that will kill them • to say suffering is a test of faith would imply a cruel God or no God at all when we have awful examples of suffering in the world • there is a lot of suffering in the natural world that cannot be explained by free will, for example, natural disasters • the idea that suffering helps you to develop as a person isn't always the case, sometimes the suffering that people endure is too much for them to cope with and it stops them from fulfilling their potential. There are also cases where because of someone's suffering they become a worse person, not better • the story of the fall doesn't sound realistic and so for some it isn't a convincing explanation for suffering. It may also be seen as unfair that human beings all inherit this suffering and evil due to the actions of Adam and Eve when we have not committed the original sin ourselves • karma doesn't provide a convincing explanation for suffering because we do not remember our past lives and behaviours so can't learn from them. Also, we see bad things happen to good people and good things happen to bad people which seems to go against Karma in this life at least. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

Part D – Miracles

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44.	(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>Pali Canon (Buddhism):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Buddha asked his friend Ananda for a drink of water from a nearby well Ananda reported back that the well was filled with grass and chaff making the water undrinkable Buddha persisted in asking him to go back for water and eventually Ananda returned to the well he found it freed from the grass and chaff, and that it was now pure and clear. <p>The Miraculous Catch of Fish (Christianity):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus said to Simon, <i>'Push out into deep water and let your nets out for a catch'</i> Simon said, <i>'Master, we've been fishing hard all night and haven't caught anything. But if you say so, I'll let out the nets'</i> they did what Jesus said. There was a huge catch of fish, the sets were about to break they called to others they knew to come help them and they filled both boats with fish. <p>Accept any other Miracle in Nature that candidates have studied, eg, parting of the River Jordan, parting of the Red Sea, Allah instructing Abraham to call to dead birds which later flew. These do not need to be scriptural.</p> <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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	(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	4	<p>Responses could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scientists would argue that there is a logical scientific explanation for all events in the world, including claims of miraculous events in nature • miracles in nature can sometimes be a coincidence and that statistically, strange environmental phenomena do occur which are later explained through investigation and experimentation • scientists would argue that the laws of nature are fixed and they cannot be broken, so it is impossible for miracles which break the laws of nature to happen • although science has discovered a lot of natural laws, there are many more still to be discovered. These will eventually explain all natural phenomena • miracles in nature, for example, the parting of the Red Sea can be explained through environmental effects – the wind pushed the water back/was caused by an earthquake in Greece • evidence from history and experience points to the fact that humans cannot walk on water or raise people from the dead. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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45. (a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • award 1 mark for a clear and relevant statement, description, reason or explanation • where the point is developed, eg, by offering further detail, additional explanation or example, award a second mark • a very well developed point may be awarded up to 4 marks • a maximum of 1 mark should be awarded for an unexplained list. 	5	<p>Responses could include:</p> <p>If scriptural miracles are read literally:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • these miracles are recorded in scripture and, as it is God’s true word, it cannot be doubted and should be taken as truth • these miracles show the power of God over natural forces, illness and disease • they are clear examples of God showing compassion and mercy • miracles in scripture cover a range of positive events such as miracles of nature, provisions of food, protection from enemies etc • miracles in scripture can also provide an opportunity to understand God’s justice and punishments these miracles happened over the course of thousands of years, they are not an everyday occurrence, we should appreciate that God has intervened in the past and that he might intervene in the future • God is not abusing Free Will in this, He is showing compassion and love when God alters the natural laws that He created, He is doing this as a display of His power, this was then recorded in scripture. <p>If scriptural miracles are read metaphorically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • these miracles are a revelation of God’s nature, and should be taken symbolically • scripture was a product of the writer’s time, culture and place of living • some might argue that we should take the miracle accounts metaphorically and interpret them in the context of the modern world • it is possible that changes or mistakes have been made, so the actual written account should not be fully relied on • some might argue that some of the miracles are real, and some are misunderstood for example some people believed that some people who showed symptoms of epilepsy were possessed by demons • miracles can be read in a symbolic way, understanding that a relationship with God can provide healing, for example improvement in mental health or reduction in stress • the purpose of some of the miracles are not clear or are not easily understood for example Jesus cursing a fig tree. <p>Award marks for any other valid point, in accordance with General Marking Instructions.</p>

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