



TONBRIDGE SCHOOL

Specimen paper for entry into Year 12

Religious Studies

Time allowed: 45 minutes

Total Marks: 40

Answer ANY TWO questions on the lined paper provided

You may refer to any religion in your answers.

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1. a) Explain what religious people believe about the nature of God. (8 marks)
- b) Explain why some people may not believe in God. (7 marks)
- c) “Miracles prove that God exists.” Do you agree? Refer to a religious point of view in your answer. (5 marks)

Total 20 marks

2. a) Outline religious beliefs on capital punishment. (8 marks)
- b) Explain how religious believers may wish criminals to be treated. (7 marks)
- c) “Capital punishment is cruel and barbaric.” Do you agree? Refer to a religious point of view in your answer. (5 marks)

Total 20 marks

3. a) Describe religious views on the origins of the world. (8 marks)
- b) Explain how these views may differ with scientific attempts to explain the origins of the world. (7 marks)
- c) “It is impossible to believe that Evolution is true and be religious.” Do you agree? Refer to a religious point of view in your answer. (5 marks)

Total 20 marks

4. a) Describe the key features of **one** festival in a religion that you have studied. (8 marks)
- b) Explain the importance of festivals for believers. (7 marks)
- c) “Festivals have become excuses for a party and have lost their religious significance.” Do you agree? Refer to a religious point of view in your answer. (5 marks)

Total 20 marks

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