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**World religions**  
**Standard level**  
**Paper 1**

Thursday 28 April 2022 (afternoon)

Candidate session number

45 minutes

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**Instructions to candidates**

- Write your session number in the boxes above.
- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer a total of three questions selecting one question from:  
Section A  
and  
Section B  
and  
Section C.
- Answers must be written within the answer boxes provided.
- Each question is worth **[9 marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[27 marks]**.



Answer a total of **three** questions, selecting **one** from **each** section. Answers must be written within the answer boxes provided.

### Section A

Answer **one** question from this section. Answers must be written within the answer boxes provided.

#### Hinduism

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

1. “The profound mystery in the Vedanta was taught in the previous cycle. It should not be given to one whose passions have not been subdued, or to one who is not a son or a disciple.”

Svetasvatara Upanishad 6.22

- (a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain the importance of following Bhakti (path of devotion) for some Hindus. [6]

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**Buddhism**

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

2. “[...] the Tathagata (The Buddha) has realized the Middle Way; it gives vision, gives knowledge, and leads to calm, to insight, to enlightenment and to Nibbana.”

Dhammacakkappavattana Sutta 56.11

- (a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain the teachings of the Noble Eightfold Path. [6]

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**Sikhism**

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

3. “In ego they are born, and in ego they die.  
[...]  
In ego they laugh, and in ego they weep.  
[...]  
In ego they are ignorant, and in ego they are wise.  
They do not know the value of salvation and liberation.  
In ego they love Maya, and in ego they are kept in darkness by it.”

Guru Granth Sahib 466

- (a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain the importance of leaving behind ego-centredness in Sikh teachings. [6]

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### Section B

Answer **one** question from this section. Answers must be written within the answer boxes provided.

#### Judaism

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

4. "And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fertile and increase, fill the earth and master it; and rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, and all living things that creep on earth.'"

Genesis 1: 27-28

- (a) Identify **three** beliefs in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain Jewish teachings about yetzer ha-ra (bad inclinations). [6]

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**Christianity**

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

5. “If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves, and truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He [God] is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”

1 John 1: 8-9

- (a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain Christian beliefs about original sin. [6]

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**Islam**

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

6. “But for the righteous there is triumph [in paradise]. Gardens and vineyards. And splendid spouses, well matched. And delicious drinks. They will hear therein neither gossip, nor lies. A reward from your Lord, a fitting gift.”

Qur’an 78:31–35

- (a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain Muslim beliefs about disobedience to Allah’s will. [6]

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### Section C

Answer **one** question from this section. Answers must be written within the answer boxes provided.

#### Taoism

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

7. “Whoever is planted in the Tao  
will not be rooted up.  
Whoever embraces the Tao  
will not slip away.  
Those who do things well will be honoured  
from generation to generation.”

*Tao Te Ching 54 (adapted)*

- (a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain the importance of the Way to Taoists. [6]

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**Jainism**

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

8. “Absolute knowledge is attained by destroying misleading karmas, knowledge obscuring karmas, perception obscuring karmas and obstructing karmas.”

Umasvati’s Tattvartha Sutra 10

- (a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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- (b) Explain why karma is important to Jain beliefs about moksha (liberation). [6]

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**Bahá'í Faith**

Study the passage below and answer the questions which follow.

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(a) Identify **three** teachings in this passage. [3]

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(b) Explain Bahá'í teachings about paradise and hell. [6]

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