



GCE A LEVEL

1120U50-1

THURSDAY, 20 JUNE 2024 – MORNING

RELIGIOUS STUDIES – A2 unit 5

Philosophy of Religion

**1 hour 30 minutes plus your additional
time allowance**

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Answer THREE questions.

**ONE QUESTION FROM SECTION A.
TWO QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B.**

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided, following the instructions on the front of the answer booklet.

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Use both sides of the paper. Write only within the white areas of the booklet.

Write the question number in the left-hand margin at the start of each answer.

Leave at least two line spaces between each answer.

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INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question carries 30 marks.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each part-question.

You are reminded of the need to:

- **reflect on, select and apply specified knowledge**
- **understand, interpret and evaluate critically religious concepts, texts and other sources**
- **account for the influence of social, religious and historical factors on the developments in the study of religions and belief**

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- **identify, investigate and critically analyse questions, arguments, ideas and issues arising from within this unit, including the views of scholars and academics**
- **identify and analyse the nature of connections between the units you have studied**
- **construct well-informed and reasoned arguments substantiated by relevant evidence**
- **engage in debate in a way that recognises the right of others to hold a different view**
- **present responses to questions which are clear and coherent**
- **use specialist language and terminology appropriately**
- **use spelling, punctuation and grammar appropriately.**

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UNIT 5 – PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

SECTION A

SECTION A QUESTIONS TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF RELIGION AND BELIEF.

Answer ONE question from this section.

EITHER,

01. Examine the views of John Randall and Paul Tillich that religious language is symbolic. [30 marks]

OR,

02. Examine the term ‘miracle’ with reference to THREE scholars you have studied. [30 marks]

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SECTION B

SECTION B QUESTIONS TEST YOUR SKILLS OF ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION, WITH REGARDS TO ASPECTS OF AND APPROACHES TO RELIGION AND BELIEF.

Answer TWO questions from this section.

03. 'Logical Positivism demonstrates effectively that religious language is meaningless.'

Evaluate this view. [30 marks]

04. 'Religious experience is the main influence on religious beliefs and practices.'

Evaluate this view. [30 marks]

(Turn over)

05. 'Issues surrounding religious language are relevant in the 21st century.'

Evaluate this view. [30 marks]

06. 'Freud's explanation of religious belief is inadequate.'

Evaluate this view. [30 marks]

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