

AQA A: Religious Studies

Christianity and Islam

PART 1 – The Study of Religions

Exam Questions

In this booklet you will find exam questions for all the topics for paper 1:

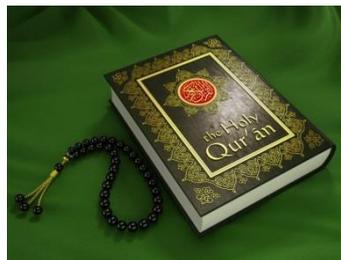
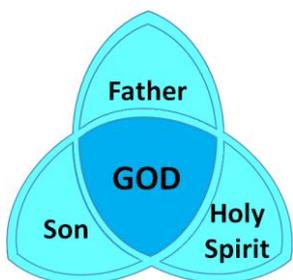
- Christianity beliefs and teachings
- Christianity practices
- Islam beliefs and teachings
- Islam practices

For **each of the four topics** you will be required to answer the following style questions

1 mark, 2 mark, 4 mark, 5 mark, 12 mark

On the inside front cover you will find guidance as to how to structure each question, with some sentence starters to help you.

It is **your responsibility** to use this booklet to help you practice exam questions at home. This is **IN ADDITION** to the exam practice we do in class.



Christianity: Beliefs and Teachings

1 mark	Select either: A, B, C or D
2 mark	Two bullet points
4 mark	<p>2 paragraphs - both explained in depth</p> <p>In _____ it states....., which means..... This influences Christians because..... Thus in their lives a Christian would.....because.....</p> <p>Furthermore, in _____ it says which implies... This influences Christians because..... Therefore in their lives a Christian would.....because.....</p>
5 mark	<p>2 paragraphs- both explained in depth + EXPLAINED QUOTE</p> <p>In _____ it states....., which means..... This influences Christians because..... Thus in their lives a Christian would.....because.....</p> <p>Similarly / In contrast, in _____ it says which suggests... This influences Christians because..... Therefore in their lives a Christian would.....because.....</p>
12 mark	<p><u>At least 3 paragraphs + Conclusion</u></p> <p>Para 1 – agree point developed with religious knowledge Para 2 – disagree point developed with religious knowledge Para 3 - agree point developed with religious knowledge Para 4 - disagree point developed with religious knowledge</p> <p>Opinion or conclusion with structure from planning sheet My overall opinion is... This is because... Some people may disagree with me and say... However I think they are wrong because... Therefore my opinion is...</p>

1 mark questions

1) Select the correct answer from a choice of four

You may write the word, or just the corresponding letter

- a) Which of the following means that God is all-powerful? [1 mark]
A) Omnibenevolent B) Just C) Omniscient D) Omnipotent
- b) Which of the following is NOT part of the Holy Trinity? [1 mark]
A) The Father B) The Mother C) The Son D) The Holy Spirit
- c) Which of the following words means to become flesh? [1 mark]
A) Incarnation B) Resurrection C) Ascension D) Baptism
- d) Which of the following means that Jesus restored the relationship between God and humanity? [1 mark]
A) Salvation B) Grace C) Atonement D) Sin
- e) Which of the following is a Catholic only belief? [1 mark]
A) Heaven B) Hell C) Judgement D) Purgatory

2 mark questions

2) Write two words or sentences

- a) Give two parts of the Holy Trinity. [2 marks]
- b) Give two roles of the Holy Spirit. [2 marks]
- c) Give two attributes of God. [2 marks]
- d) Give two reasons Christians believe Jesus is the son of God. [2 marks]
- e) Give two religious beliefs about resurrection. [2 marks]
- f) Give two ways someone might be judged on the Day of Judgement. [2 marks]
- g) Give two beliefs about heaven. [2 marks]
- h) Give two beliefs about hell. [2 marks]

i) Give two ways a Christian might receive salvation. [2 marks]

4 mark questions

3) Give two detailed points.

a) Explain two ways the belief in the resurrection might influence Christians today. [4 marks]

b) Explain two ways the belief in the crucifixion might influence Christians today. [4 marks]

c) Explain two ways the belief in the ascension might influence Christians today. [4 marks]

d) Explain two ways Christian beliefs about the afterlife might influence Christians today. [4 marks]

e) Explain two ways the belief in Jesus' act of atonement might influence Christians today. [4 marks]

f) Explain two ways the Christian beliefs about creation might influence Christians today. [4 marks]

5 mark questions

4) Give two detailed points and explain a source of authority.

a) Explain two Christian beliefs about salvation. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

b) Explain two Christian beliefs about creation. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

c) Explain two Christian beliefs about resurrection. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

d) Explain two Christian beliefs about life after death. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

e) Explain two Christian beliefs about judgement. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

12 mark questions

5) Follow the structure below that you have been practising in class.

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<p>This must be the LEAST you do</p>	<p>In conclusion, I think the weakest argument isbecause I therefore firmly believe thatbecause..... Consequently, the attitude of Jesus / God may be because</p> <p>Thus,</p>		

a) 'The resurrection is the most important belief in Christianity' [12 marks]

b) 'There is no proof that Jesus is the son of God' [12 marks]

c) 'The afterlife is a good way to get Christians to behave themselves' [12 marks]

d) 'Salvation is God's greatest gift to humans' [12 marks]

e) 'The stories of the incarnation prove that Jesus is the son of God' [12 marks]

f) 'God cannot be omnibenevolent because there is too much suffering in the world'
[12 marks]

Christianity: Practices

1 mark questions

1) Select the correct answer from a choice of four

You may write the word, or just the corresponding letter

a) Which of the following is the name of worship that follows a set ritual or pattern?
[1 mark]

A) Private B) Non-liturgical C) Liturgical D) Charismatic

b) Which of the following words means a ritual through which the believer receives an act of grace? [1 mark]

a) Sacrament B) Eucharist C) Baptism D) Communion

c) Which of the following remembers Jesus' sacrifice? [1 mark]

A) Baptism B) Christmas C) Holy Communion D) Prayer

d) Which of the following is NOT a site of Christian pilgrimage? [1 mark]

A) Lourdes B) Mecca C) Iona D) Jerusalem

e) Which of the following festivals celebrates Jesus' resurrection? [1 mark]

A) Easter B) Christmas C) Pentecost D) Mass

f) Which of the following words means to spread the Christian gospel? [1 mark]

A) Missionary B) Evangelism C) Prayer D) Persecution

2 mark questions

2) Write two words or sentences

a) Give two different types of baptism. [2 marks]

b) Give two organisations that help persecuted Christians. [2 marks]

c) Give two ways someone might carry out acts of mission. [2 marks]

d) Give two examples of the Church helping the local community. [2 marks]

e) Give two ways a Christian might celebrate Easter. [2 marks]

f) Give two reasons pilgrimage is important. [2 marks]

g) Give two features of Eucharist. [2 marks]

h) Give two ways someone might worship. [2 marks]

4 mark questions

3) Give two detailed points.

a) Explain two contrasting types of Christian pilgrimage. [4 marks]

b) Explain two contrasting types of baptism. [4 marks]

c) Explain two contrasting ways Christians might receive Holy Communion. [4 marks]

d) Explain two contrasting ways a Christian might worship. [4 marks]

e) Explain two contrasting examples of missionary. [4 marks]

f) Explain two contrasting Christian festivals. [4 marks]

g) Explain two contrasting ways the Church helps the local community. [4 marks]

h) Explain two contrasting ways Christian charities help the poor in less economically developed countries. [4 marks]

5 mark questions

4) Give two detailed points and explain a source of authority.

a) Explain two reasons Christians pray. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

b) Explain two reasons Christians help persecuted Christians. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

c) Explain two reasons Christians celebrate Christmas. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

d) Explain two reasons Christians get baptised. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

e) Explain two reasons Christians spread the word of God. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

f) Explain two reasons Christians help those living in poverty. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

12 mark questions

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- a) 'Christians do not need to worship in church as long as they pray at home' [12 marks]
- b) 'Christians should be baptised as adults when they are able to make their own decisions' [12 marks]
- c) 'Easter is a more important festival than Christmas'. [12 marks]
- d) 'It is more important to help the poor than celebrate Holy Communion'. [12 marks]
- e) 'There is no difference between a pilgrimage and a holiday' [12 marks]
- f) 'Street Pastors are a great support to the police' [12 marks]
- g) 'Christians should just rely on evangelists for Church growth' [12 marks]
- h) 'Every Christian should evangelise' [12 marks]
- i) 'It is not possible to 'rejoice and be glad' if you are suffering from persecution' [12 marks]
- j) 'Christian charities should just focus on emergency aid' [12 marks]

Islam: Beliefs and Teachings

1 mark questions

1) Select the correct answer from a choice of four

You may write the word, or just the corresponding letter

- a) Which of the following means the oneness of God? [1 mark]
 - A) Tawhid B) Sawm C) Sunni D) Adalat
- b) Which of the following means that God is all-loving? [1 mark]
 - A) Omnipotent B) Beneficent C) Merciful D) Immanent
- c) Which of the following means that God is beyond his creation? [1 mark]
 - A) Immanent B) Transcendent C) Fairness D) Tawhid
- d) Which of the following is the name of the black cube in Mecca? [1 mark]
 - A) Ka'ba B) Hajj C) Mina D) Zam-zam
- e) Which of the following refers to the divine appointment of imams? [1 mark]
 - A) Caliph B) Imamate C) Imam D) Predestination

2 mark questions

2) Write two words or sentences

- a) Give the names of two prophets of Islam. [2 marks]
- b) Give two attributes of Allah. [2 marks]
- c) Give the names of two angels in Islam. [2 marks]
- d) Give two things Muslims do on Hajj. [2 marks]
- e) Name two of the Holy Books in Islam. [2 marks]
- f) Give two reasons Ibrahim is important. [2 marks]
- g) Name two roots of Usul-al-Din. [2 marks]

4 mark questions

3) Give two detailed points.

- a) Explain two ways the belief in prophethood influences Muslims today. [4 marks]
- b) Explain two ways the belief in predestination influences Muslims today. [4 marks]
- c) Explain two ways the belief in angels influences Muslims today. [4 marks]
- d) Explain two ways the belief in tawhid influences Muslims today. [4 marks]
- e) Explain two ways the belief in the imamate influences Muslims today. [4 marks]
- f) Explain two ways the belief in life after death influences Muslims today. [4 marks]

5 mark questions

4) Give two detailed points and explain a source of authority.

- a) Explain two Muslim teachings about the nature of God. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]
- b) Explain two Muslim teachings about Muhammad. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]
- c) Explain two Muslim teachings about angels. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]
- d) Explain two Muslim teachings about the risalah. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

e) Explain two Muslim teachings about the Day of Judgement. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

f) Explain two Muslim teachings about the Qur'an. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]

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a) 'Tawhid is the most important belief for Muslims' [12 marks]

b) 'It is easier to understand God as immanent rather than transcendent' [12 marks]

c) 'Sunni and Shi'a Muslims have more similarities than differences' [12 marks]

- d) 'Predestination means that humans have no freedom' [12 marks]
- e) 'If there is no afterlife there is no point in living a good life' [12 marks]
- f) 'Islam would not exist without Muhammad' [12 marks]
- g) 'The Qur'an is the only scripture Muslims need to refer to' [12 marks]

Islam: Practices

1 mark questions

1) Select the correct answer from a choice of four

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- a) Which of the following is NOT one of the fived pillars? [1 mark]
A) Salah B) Hajj C) Khums D) Zakat

- b) Which of the following refers to Friday prayers in Islam? [1 mark]
A) Jummah B) Isha C) Maghrib D) Fajr

- c) Which of the following words means 'a struggle against evil' [1 mark]
A) Tawhid B) Hajj C) sawm D) Jihad

- d) Which of the following festivals celebrates the end of Ramadan? [1 mark]
A) Ashura B) Eid ul-Adha C) Eid ul-Fitr D) Ramadan

2 mark questions

2) Write two words or sentences

- a) Give two of the Ten Obligatory Acts for Shi'a Muslims. [2 marks]
- b) Give two ways Muslims celebrate Eid ul-Fitr. [2 marks]
- c) Give two reasons Hajj is important. [2 marks]
- d) Give two examples of greater jihad. [2 marks]

- e) Give two reasons zakah is important. [2 marks]
- f) Give two things that can be found in a mosque. [2 marks]
- g) Give two rituals that Muslims perform during salah. [2 marks]

4 mark questions

3) Give two detailed points.

- a) Explain two contrasting understandings of salah. [4 marks]
- b) Explain two contrasting understandings of jihad. [4 marks]
- c) Explain two contrasting festivals in Islam. [4 marks]
- d) Explain two contrasting ways a Muslim might pray. [4 marks]
- e) Explain two contrasting ways Id ul-Fitr might be celebrated. [4 marks]

5 mark questions

4) Give two detailed points and explain a source of authority.

- a) Explain two Muslim teachings about zakat. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]
- b) Explain two religious beliefs about prayer. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]
- c) Explain two religious beliefs about Ramadan. Refer to scripture or sacred writings in your answer. [5 marks]
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- a) 'Greater jihad is more important than lesser jihad' [12 marks]
- b) 'All Muslims should go on Hajj at least once in their lifetime' [12 marks]
- c) 'Shi'a Muslims do more for charity than Sunni Muslims' [12 marks]
- d) 'You are not a real Muslim unless you fast during Ramadan' [12 marks]
- e) 'Salah is the most important of the five pillars' [12 marks]
- f) 'Shahadah is the most important of the five pillars' [12 marks]

g) 'Muslims should only pray in a mosque' [12 marks]

h) 'It is easier to fast in Muslim countries compared to the UK' [12 marks]