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GCSE (9–1) Religious Studies

J625/08 Religion, philosophy and ethics in the modern world from a Jewish perspective

Time allowed: 2 hours



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet (OCR12 sent with general stationery)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Write your answers in the Answer Booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **126**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology (SPaG) will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✎). 6 marks can be awarded for SPaG.
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of **4** pages.

Answer **all** the questions.

1 Relationships and families

(a) Describe **one** Jewish teaching about equality. [3]

(b) Outline Jewish beliefs about duty to the community. [6]

(c) Compare the attitudes of different Jewish groups towards the roles of men and women.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer. [6]

(d) 'The most important thing a Jew can do is to get married.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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 Spelling, punctuation and grammar [3]

2 The existence of G-d

(a) Describe **one** reason why the covenant might strengthen Jewish belief in G-d. [3]

(b) Outline the argument from the concept of first cause. [6]

(c) Explain different Jewish beliefs about what G-d is like.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer. [6]

(d) 'Worship is the best way for a Jew to experience G-d.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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 Spelling, punctuation and grammar [3]

3 Religion, peace and conflict

(a) State **three** possible causes of terrorism. [3]

(b) Describe ways in which Jews work for social justice. [6]

(c) Compare the concepts of absolute and conditional pacifism.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer. [6]

(d)* 'Reconciliation is **not** always necessary.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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4 Dialogue between religious and non-religious beliefs and attitudes

(a) Describe **one** potential area of disagreement between Judaism and secularism. [3]

(b) Describe the attitudes some Jews might have towards the role of the Church of England in public life.

In your response you must consider that religious traditions in Great Britain are diverse, but mainly Christian. [6]

(c) Explain why Jews differ in their attitudes to abortion.

You should refer to sources of wisdom and authority in your answer. [6]

(d)* 'Jews should never proselytise.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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