STUDIES OF RELIGION
(REL315116)

Candidate Instructions

- You MUST make sure that your responses to the questions in this examination paper will show your achievement in the criteria being assessed.
- This paper has THREE sections.
- You must answer ONE question from each section in essay form.
- You should spend approximately 60 minutes on each answer.
- Answer each section in a separate answer booklet (3 answer booklets supplied).
- All questions are of equal value.
- All written responses must be in English.

On the basis of your performance in this examination, the examiners will provide results on each of the following criteria taken from the course document:

Criterion 1 Use ideas and concepts in discussing religious traditions and ethical perspectives.
Criterion 2 Structure and communicate ideas and information.
Criterion 3 Analyse religious and non-religious traditions and ethical perspectives.
Criterion 4 Use evidence to support own interpretations and religious and ethical arguments of others.
Criterion 5 Analyse the expression of religious and ethical viewpoints in society.
SECTION A
Religious Traditions and Beliefs

Answer ONE question in this section.
Use a separate answer booklet for this section.
This section assesses Criteria 1, 2, 3 and 5.

Question 1

Faith is about doing. You are how you act, not just how you believe.

Referring to key beliefs and practices of a religious tradition you have studied, explain how members of that tradition might respond to the above quotation, particularly in reference to how adherents of that tradition relate to the world around them.

OR

Question 2

Referring to key beliefs and practices of a religious tradition you have studied, how might members of that tradition respond to what the cartoon has to say about how one ought to live their life?
SECTION B
Significant Challenge and Change – Historical and Contemporary

Answer **ONE** question in this section.

Use a separate answer booklet for this section.

You **MUST** focus on a different religious tradition to the one you chose in Section A as per the course document.

This section assesses **Criteria 1, 2, 3 and 4.**

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**Question 3**

Consider the response of a religious tradition you have studied to a **contemporary** challenge.

Briefly explain the challenge and the impact this has had on the tradition. Describe and analyse the response of the tradition to the challenge.

**OR**

**Question 4**

Consider the response of a religious tradition you have studied to an **historical** challenge.

Briefly explain the challenge and the impact this has had on the tradition. Describe and analyse the response of the tradition to the challenge.
Answer **ONE** question in this section.

Use a separate answer booklet for this section.

This section assesses **Criteria 1, 2, 4 and 5**.

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**Question 5**

Refer to an ethical issue of vital importance to human life.

Describe and analyse the impact on decision making from **TWO** ethical frameworks using evidence to support your interpretation.

**OR**

**Question 6**

Refer to a contemporary ethical debate.

What are some of the key questions raised by this issue, and how do **TWO** contrasting ethical frameworks respond to these questions?