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State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2018

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION — ORDINARY LEVEL

Total Marks: 400

THURSDAY, 14 JUNE — AFTERNOON 2:00 to 4:00

General Directions for Candidates

1. Write your EXAMINATION NUMBER in this box: | |

2. WRITE ALL ANSWERS INTO THIS ANSWER-BOOK.

3. YOU MUST ANSWER ALL 4 SECTIONS ON THIS PAPER.

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SECTION 1

(80 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 20 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

YOU MUST ANSWER **TEN** OF THE FOLLOWING TWENTY QUESTIONS. IN QUESTIONS WHERE YOU ARE REQUIRED TO TICK ✓ THE CORRECT BOX, TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY.

(All questions carry 8 marks each)

1. In religious traditions a prayer of 'penitence' involves_____

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2. A sacred text most associated with Judaism is — (Tick ✓ the correct box)

THE PALI CANON ☐ THE TANAKH/TENAKH ☐ THE VEDAS ☐

3. Belief in the resurrection of Jesus was a characteristic of the First Christian communities.

State **another** characteristic of the First Christian communities. _____

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4. Freedom of choice is needed when making moral decisions because _____

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5. Performing the Rak'ah is a religious ritual most associated with which **one** of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box)

CHRISTIANITY ☐ HINDUISM ☐ ISLAM ☐

6. The Roman Catholic Church is a Christian denomination in Ireland today.

Name **another** Christian denomination in Ireland today. _____

7. Polytheism refers to the belief in one God. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐

8. At the time of Jesus the Jewish people expected the Messiah to be _____

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9. The name Vishnu is most associated with which **one** of the following world religions?

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

CHRISTIANITY ☐ HINDUISM ☐ JUDAISM ☐

10. Secular humanism gives religious answers to questions about the meaning of life.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐

11. One quality that a person needs to have for moral maturity is an ability to _____

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12. In religious traditions the term 'sacred' refers to something that is regarded as holy or set apart for religious reasons. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐

13. One effect that sectarianism can have on the members of a community of faith is _____

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14. The Upanishads are a sacred text most associated with Hinduism. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐

15. Siddartha Gautama is most associated with the founding story of which **one** of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box)

BUDDHISM ☐ ISLAM ☐ JUDAISM ☐

16. Friends can influence the religious practice of young people.
State **another** influence on the religious practice of young people. _____

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17. The Gospel writers are known as the Evangelists. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐

18. In religious traditions the term 'truth' refers to something that is regarded as _____

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19. The Koran /Qur'an is most associated with which **one** of the following world religions?
(Tick ✓ the correct box)

CHRISTIANITY ☐ HINDUISM ☐ ISLAM ☐

20. According to the Gospels, one person that Jesus appeared to after his resurrection was _____

SECTION 2

(60 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 20 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

CHOOSE **THREE** OF THE FOLLOWING FOUR PICTURES AND ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS ON EACH.

(All questions carry 20 marks each)

Question 1. This is a photograph of a person wearing religious clothing.



(Source: http://blog.spu.edu)

A. Pick **one** thing from the photograph which suggests that religious belief is being expressed by the clothing this person is wearing.

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(6 marks)

B. State **another** way that a person could show commitment to a particular religion. _____

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(6 marks)

C. Give **one** reason why a person would express commitment to a religion in the way that you stated in *part B)* above.

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(8 marks)

Question 2. This is a poster promoting Christian unity.



(Source: Adapted from http://atxcatholic.com)

A. Pick **one** thing from the poster which suggests that it is promoting unity between Christians.

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(6 marks)

B. Ecumenism is concerned with promoting unity between Christians. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐ (6 marks)

C. Give **one** reason why unity between different Christian denominations is being promoted today.

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(8 marks)

Question 3. This card was made to welcome a person into a community of faith.



(Source: Adapted from http:// www.Pinterest.com & bengkulueksprress.com)

A. Pick **one** thing from the card which suggests that it was made to welcome a person into a community of faith.

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(6 marks)

B. Name **one** ceremony that celebrates a person's entry into a community of faith.

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(6 marks)

C. State **one** factor that influences the growth of a person's faith.

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(8 marks)

Question 4. This is a photograph of people practising stewardship.



(Source: http//www. biohabitats.com)

A. Pick **one** thing from the photograph which suggests that these people are practising stewardship.

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(6 marks)

B. In a major world religion 'stewardship' refers to a person's responsibility to _____

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(6 marks)

C. Give **one** reason why stewardship is encouraged by the members of a major world religion today.

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(8 marks)

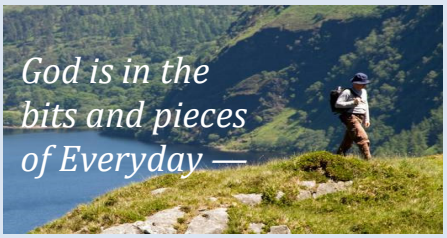
SECTION 3

(60 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 20 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

READ THE POSTCARD BELOW CAREFULLY AND ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW:

Hi,



Enclosed is a bookmark that I thought you might like. I've just finished ten days of walking a Pilgrim Path. I carried all my belongings on my back and depended on the kindness of the people I met, for food and shelter. As I walked through villages and towns I thought about the many people who walked this path before me. On days when I felt the journey was too difficult, I met people who encouraged me to keep going. Sometimes I stopped in places and just sat still admiring the beauty of nature all around me. Along the way I found messages people had left for other pilgrims. I found the words of a poem written on a tree: '*God is in the bits and pieces of Everyday —'.* As I walked along I felt very close to God and prayed for you and all the people who have helped me in my journey through life. When I reached the end of the Pilgrim Path I made these words into a bookmark for you. Hope you like it. *Jo*

(Source: Adapted from Fáilte Ireland & https://allpoetry.com/The Great Hunger Patrick Kavanagh)

1. REFLECTION ☐ REVELATION ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above and explain in your own words how it can be seen in the journey described in the postcard from Jo.

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(14 marks)

2. Explain why having time for reflection is important when searching for the meaning of life.

(16 marks)

3. a. BUDDHISM ☐ CHRISTIANITY ☐ HINDUISM ☐ ISLAM ☐ JUDAISM ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above world religions and describe an example of revelation from the story of its founder/earliest followers.

(14 marks)

b. Explain how the influence of revelation can be seen in the way a sacred text is treated by members of **one** of the following world religions:

♦ BUDDHISM ♦ CHRISTIANITY ♦ HINDUISM ♦ ISLAM ♦ JUDAISM

WORLD RELIGION: _____

(16 marks)

SECTION 4

(200 marks)

YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 60 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.

ANSWER **FIVE** OF THE FOLLOWING SIX QUESTIONS.

(All questions carry 40 marks each)

Question 1. COMMUNITIES OF FAITH

A. a. Different major world religions take part in dialogue with each other so that _____

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(8 marks)

b. Describe **one** example of how different major world religions in Ireland today take part in dialogue with each other.

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(10 marks)

B. a. LACK OF COMMUNICATION ☐ LACK OF CO-OPERATION ☐ LACK OF SHARING ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above and explain how it could be a cause of community breakdown.

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b. Describe **one** effect that community breakdown could have on a community of faith.

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(12 marks)

Question 2. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION — CHRISTIANITY

A. a. Through the parable of the 'Mustard Seed' Jesus taught people about the Kingdom of God. Name **another** parable through which Jesus taught people about the Kingdom of God.

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(8 marks)



(Source: 2012MMBOCPRODUCTION)

b. LOVE OF ENEMY ☐ LOVE OF NEIGHBOUR ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above characteristics of the Kingdom of God and explain how it can be seen in a parable told by Jesus.

NAME OF PARABLE: _____

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(12 marks)

B. a. According to the Gospels, the name of **one** of Jesus' apostles was —

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

ANDREW ☐ ANTHONY ☐ (8 marks)

b. Describe what happened in **one** incident from the Gospels when Jesus invited a person to become his disciple.

(12 marks)

Question 3. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION — MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS

A. a. Read the list of religious ceremonies that mark the growth of a person's faith and the list of world religions given below. Match **one** religious ceremony to the world religion with which it is most associated.

Religious Ceremonies
Bar Mitzvah
Bismillah
Jukai/Sugye
Sacred Thread

World Religions
Buddhism
Hinduism
Islam
Judaism

Answer:

Religious Ceremony	*World Religion*

(8 marks)

b. Tick ✓ **one** of the following world religions that you have studied:

BUDDHISM ☐ HINDUISM ☐ ISLAM ☐ JUDAISM ☐

Describe what is involved in a religious ceremony that marks the growth of a person's faith within the world religion which you ticked above.

NAME OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONY: _____

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(12 marks)

B. a. Tick ✓ **one** of the following world religions that you have studied:

BUDDHISM ☐ HINDUISM ☐ ISLAM ☐ JUDAISM ☐

Name the part of the world that is most associated with the founding story of the world religion which you have ticked above. _____

(8 marks)

b. Describe what ordinary life was like for people living in the part of the world when the religion was founded that you ticked in *part B a)* above.

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Question 4. THE QUESTION OF FAITH

A. a. *'Why are we born?'* This is an example of a question that a person might ask when wondering about the meaning of life. State **another** example of a question a person might ask about the meaning of life. _____

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(8 marks)

b. MUSIC ☐ RELIGION ☐ WORK ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above and explain how it could help a person to find answers to questions about the meaning of life.

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B. a. Read the list of religious people and the list of world religions given below.

Match **one** person to the world religion with which he/she is most associated.

Religious People	*World Religions*
Gandhi	Buddhism
Jeremiah	Christianity
Khadijah	Hinduism
Kisagotami	Islam
Luther	Judaism

Answer:

Religious Person	*World Religion*

(8 marks)

b. Describe **one** example of how religious faith can be seen in the life of a person associated with the story of a major world religion.

MAJOR WORLD RELIGION: _____ *PERSON*: _____

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(12 marks)

Question 5. THE CELEBRATION OF FAITH

A. a. Read the list of prayers and the list of world religions given below.

Match **one** prayer to the world religion with which it is most associated.

Prayers	*World Religions*
A Du'a/Du'ah	Buddhism
A Refuge Prayer	Christianity
The Amidah	Hinduism
The Gayatri Mantra	Islam
The Lord's prayer/Our Father	Judaism

Answer:

Prayer	*World Religion*

(8 marks)

b. CREED ☐ MEDITATION ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above types of prayer and explain why it is used by believers to communicate with God/gods/the divine.

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(10 marks)

B. a. BUDDHISM ☐ CHRISTIANITY ☐ HINDUISM ☐ ISLAM ☐ JUDAISM ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above world religions and describe an example of what happens when its members gather together for prayer.

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b. Explain why the members of the world religion that you ticked in *part B a)* above gather together for prayer.

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Question 6. THE MORAL CHALLENGE

A. a. BUDDHISM ☐ CHRISTIANITY ☐ HINDUISM ☐ ISLAM ☐ JUDAISM ☐

Tick ✓ **one** of the above world religions and name a religious moral code that is most associated with it.

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(8 marks)

b. Describe **one** example of how a religious moral code could influence the daily lives of believers in a major world religion.

MAJOR WORLD RELIGION:_____

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(12 marks)

B. a. In religious traditions sin is understood as a person deliberately doing something that will damage their relationship with God/gods/the divine. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

TRUE ☐ FALSE ☐ (8 marks)

b. Describe **one** example of the way that a major world religion offers its members an opportunity to restore relationships that have been broken.

MAJOR WORLD RELIGION:

(12 marks)