



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2005

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - ORDINARY LEVEL

Total Marks: 400

THURSDAY, 16 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 ATTEMPT ALL 4 SECTIONS ON THIS PAPER.

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1. Total of end of page totals	
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Note: The mark in row 3 above must equal the mark in the "Mark for Paper" box across.	

SECTION 1

(80 marks)

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

YOU MUST ATTEMPT 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. Abraham was one of the founders / earliest followers of Judaism. (Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False
2. One way in which religious belief can find expression is _____

3. The religious leaders in the synagogues in Palestine at the time of Jesus were –
(Tick ✓ the correct box)
Essenes Pharisees Romans Zealots
4. A person's moral vision is his / her view of right or wrong. (Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False
5. An historical source for information about Jesus of Nazareth is - (Tick ✓ the correct box)
Tacitus Thaddaeus Thomas Tobiah
6. A creed is a statement of religious belief. (Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False
7. Confirmation is one example of a Christian sacrament.
Name another Christian sacrament _____
8. Muhammad was a religious leader for the earliest followers of Christianity - (Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False
9. School rules are an example of a moral code.
Name another moral code _____
10. The religious court of law in Palestine at the time of Jesus was called the Sanhedrin.
(Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False

11. Read the list of prayers and world religions given below. One prayer has been matched to the religion with which it is associated as an example for you. Make **one** other match.

Prayers
The Our Father
The Shahadah
The Shema
The Paritta
The Rig Veda

Religions
Buddhism
Christianity
Hinduism
Islam
Judaism

Example:

The Our Father	Christianity
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Answer:

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12. The gospels contain stories about the founder of Buddhism. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True False

13. *The Parable of the Sower* is an example of a story Jesus told about the kingdom of God.

Name another parable Jesus told about the kingdom of God _____

14. In some religious traditions sin is seen as damaging a person's relationship with God. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True False

15. Caiaphas was one of Jesus' apostles. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True False

16. Conscience helps people to _____

17. Humanism gives non-religious answers to questions about the meaning of life. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True False

18. The Menorah is associated with Hinduism. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True False

19. The Presbyterian Church is one example of a Christian denomination in Ireland.

Name another Christian denomination in Ireland _____

20. The word evangelist means someone who brings good news. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True False

SECTION 2

(60 marks)

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

CHOOSE THREE OF THE FOLLOWING PHOTOGRAPHS AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS ON EACH.

(All questions carry 20 marks each)

Question 1. This is a photograph of Archbishop Diarmuid Martin introducing Bono from the pop group, U2, to Pope John Paul II.



Sunday Independent

A. Pick **one thing from the photograph which shows that Archbishop Diarmuid Martin is a religious leader in a community of faith.**

(6 marks)

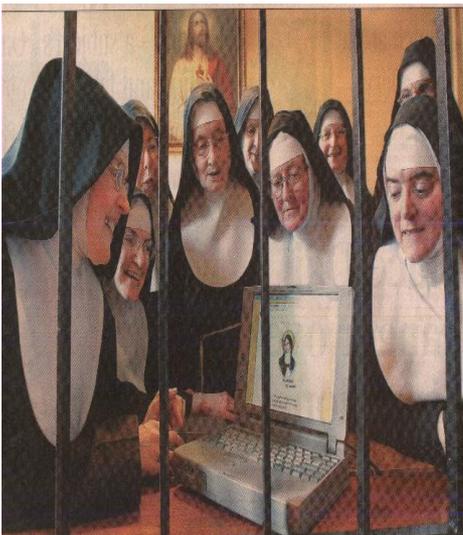
B. “Archbishop” and “Pope” are titles given to religious leaders. State **one other title given to the leader of a community of faith you have studied.**

(6 marks)

C. Describe the work done by a religious leader in a community of faith you have studied.

(8 marks)

Question 2. This is a photograph of an enclosed religious order launching its website.



The Irish Times

A. Pick **one thing from the photograph which shows that communication is important for this community of faith.**

(6 marks)

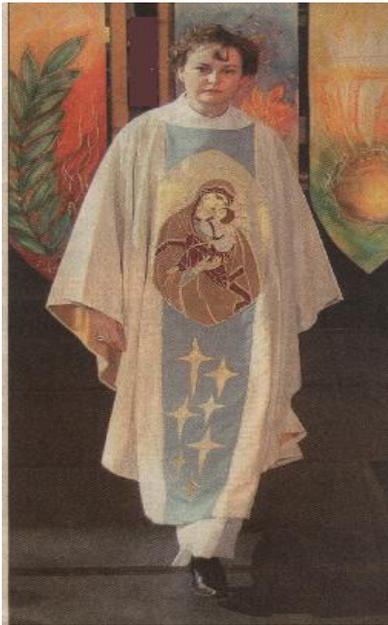
B. Why is communication important for a community of faith?

(8 marks)

C. Apart from launching a website, describe **one other way a community of faith can encourage communication.**

(6 marks)

Question 3. This is a photograph of clothes that are worn during religious ceremonies.



Irish Independent

A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which suggests that these clothes are designed to be worn during religious ceremonies.

(6 marks)

B. Name **one** religious ritual that takes place during a religious ceremony.

(6 marks)

C. Give **one** reason why people use religious rituals to express their faith.

(8 marks)

Question 4. This is a photograph of the monastery in Clonmacnoise, Co. Offaly.



www.asahi-net.or.jp

A. State **one** thing from this photograph which shows that Clonmacnoise is a place of religious importance.

(6 marks)

B. Name **one** other place of religious importance.

(6 marks)

C. Give **one** reason why the place you have named above has religious importance for people.

(8 marks)

SECTION 3

(60 marks)

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

The following is an interview given by a member of a religious order who has spent the last 20 years working with children and adults who have severe disabilities or who are dying.

READ THE INTERVIEW CAREFULLY AND ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

PHIL - FRIEND TO THE DYING

Interviewer: Thanks, Phil, for taking time from your work with the disabled and dying to do this interview.

Phil: It's no problem.

Interviewer: Phil, you founded several homes to care for seriously ill children and adults. What inspired you to do this?

Phil: I once heard a story about two people walking along a beach covered in starfish. One person picks up a starfish to throw it back into the sea. The other says: "Why bother? It won't make a difference; once the sun gets up they'll all be baked dry and die anyway." The person looks down at the starfish and says: "It'll make a difference to this one". Like the person in this story I felt called to comfort and care for the sick and dying.

Interviewer: Why did you join your religious order?

Phil: Religion was always important in my life. My grandfather did work for the local Church. After school I trained and worked as a nurse. One day a patient invited me to a service at his Church. There I got to know three members of the order who were very nice to me. But later on a pilgrimage it suddenly struck me that I was going to join the order. I remember sitting in a church and there were tears streaming down my face. I don't know whether they were tears of sorrow or delight. But I knew then that I wanted to be a member of the religious order.

Interviewer: How did your family react when you told them you were going to join the order?

Phil: My mother didn't like it. She felt I would be wasting my life. As a result I had no contact with my family for a few years. However, when I opened the home offering special care for children who were dying, my mother could see the value of what I was doing.

Interviewer: Are you happy that you made the right decision in becoming a member of a religious order?

Phil: It's hard work but it can also be great fun. My work with sick children has broadened my horizons in ways I never expected. It has taught me that when you are caring for people you are walking on holy ground.

(Source: Adapted from The Sunday Times)

1. What does vocation mean?

(8 marks)

b. Explain how **one** of the moral issues ticked above arises in the situation it is matched with.

(10 marks)

B. Outline how a morally mature person would decide what is right or wrong in any **one** of the situations described above.

(12 marks)

C. Explain how a person's religious beliefs could influence his / her view of right or wrong in any **one** of the situations described above.

(10 marks)