



Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2008

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – ORDINARY LEVEL

Total Marks: 400

THURSDAY, 12 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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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. St. Mark's Gospel is a synoptic gospel. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

2. In religious traditions inter-faith dialogue means _____

3. Read the list of religious objects and the list of world religions given below. One religious object has been matched to the world religion with which it is most associated as an example for you. Make **one** other match.

<i>Religious Objects</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
Arti Lamp	Buddhism
Crucifix	Christianity
Prayer Mat	Hinduism
Prayer Shawl/Tallit	Islam
Stupa	Judaism

Example:

Crucifix	Christianity
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Answer:

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4. In religious traditions to 'worship' means _____

5. The Wailing/Western Wall is a place of religious importance associated with Judaism. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

6. In a religious tradition a 'prophet' is someone who _____

7. The name of **one** Christian denomination in Ireland today is _____

8. Jesus grew up in the town of - (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Naaran

Nain

Nazareth

9. The Sacred Thread ceremony is most associated with which **one** of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Hinduism

Islam

Judaism

10. In a prayer of thanksgiving a person _____

11. An example of a miracle that Jesus performed was - (Tick ✓ the correct box)
The Healing of the Blind Man The Parting of the Red Sea The Return of the Prodigal Son
12. In religious traditions to act with 'integrity' means behaving in a way that is in keeping with your beliefs. (Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False
13. In a religious tradition the term 'schism' refers to a time when _____

14. A mosque is a place of worship associated with which **one** of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box)
Buddhism Hinduism Islam
15. A humanist can be described as someone who gives religious answers to questions about the meaning of life. (Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False
16. In religious traditions the term 'sacred' refers to that which is _____

17. A community is a group of people who share something in common. (Tick ✓ the correct box)
True False
18. In religious traditions the term 'monotheism' means _____

19. In religious traditions to show 'respect' means _____

20. Bodh Gaya is most associated with which **one** of the following world religions? (Tick ✓ the correct box)
Buddhism Islam Judaism

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 religious leaders at an ecumenical service.



www.comece.org

A. Pick one thing from the photograph which shows that this is an example of ecumenism.

(6 marks)

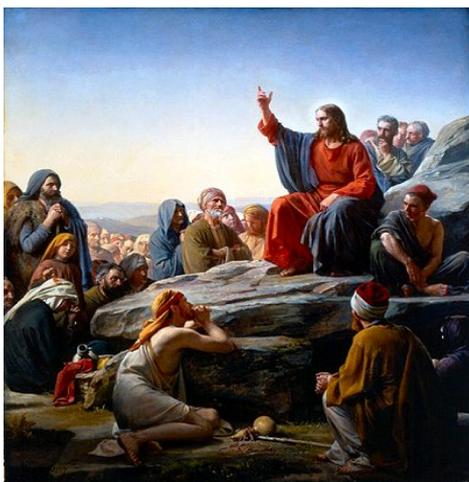
B. Give one other example of ecumenism.

(6 marks)

C. State one reason why people work for ecumenism.

(8 marks)

Question 2. This picture is based on Jesus teaching his disciples.



www.hithcc.org

A. Pick one thing from this picture which shows that the teaching of Jesus was important to his disciples.

(6 marks)

B. Name one of Jesus' first disciples.

(6 marks)

C. State one thing that Jesus taught his disciples about the Kingdom of God.

(8 marks)

Question 3. This is a photograph of people using meditation during prayer.



www.minnesota.publicradio.org

A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which shows that these people are using meditation to pray.

(6 marks)

B. In a religious tradition what does the term ‘meditation’ mean?

(6 marks)

C. State **one** reason why a person would use meditation to pray.

(8 marks)

Question 4. This is a photograph of people showing concern about a moral issue.



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A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which shows that these people are concerned about a moral issue.

(6 marks)

B. Give **one** reason why religion could influence a person’s view of right and wrong on a moral issue.

(6 marks)

C. Describe **one** stage in the process a person goes through in deciding if something is right or wrong.

(8 marks)

2. a. Name **one** moral code that could guide Pat in deciding what is the right thing to do in the situation described above.

(8 marks)

b. Explain **one** reason why a moral code could help a person decide what is the right thing to do in a situation.

(16 marks)

3. a. What does the term 'moral maturity' mean?

(8 marks)

b. Give **two** examples of where moral maturity can be seen in this conversation.

i.

ii.

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

Buddhism Christianity Hinduism Islam Judaism

a. Name the founder/earliest followers of the world religion you have ticked above.

_____ (8 marks)

b. Outline a story from the life of *either* the founder *or* earliest followers of a world religion you have studied.

(10 marks)

B. ● Commitment ● Communication ● Co-operation

a. Choose **two** of the above and give an example of how each can be seen in a community of faith today.

i. _____

ii.

(10 marks)

- b. ● Commitment ● Communication ● Co-operation

Explain why **one** of the above is important for a community of faith today.

(12 marks)

Question 2. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION - CHRISTIANITY

- A. a. These headlines might have described different religious groups that lived in Palestine at the time of Jesus. Tick ✓ the box that most correctly matches each description to the name of a religious group given below. The first description has been correctly matched to the name of a religious group as an example for you.

<i>Religious Group 1</i>	<i>Religious Group 2</i>	<i>Religious Group 3</i>
Members of a religious group lead prayer at the Temple in Jerusalem. <i>- The Jerusalem Journal</i>	Members of a religious group are ready to fight the Romans. <i>- The Palestine Press</i>	Members of a religious group explain the law of God in the synagogue. <i>- The Nazareth News</i>
The name of the religious group which matches this description is – (Tick ✓ the correct box) Pharisees <input type="checkbox"/> Sadducees <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zealots <input type="checkbox"/>	The name of the religious group which matches this description is – (Tick ✓ the correct box) Pharisees <input type="checkbox"/> Sadducees <input type="checkbox"/> Zealots <input type="checkbox"/>	The name of the religious group which matches this description is – (Tick ✓ the correct box) Pharisees <input type="checkbox"/> Sadducees <input type="checkbox"/> Zealots <input type="checkbox"/>

(10 marks)

Question 3. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION - MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS

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

Buddhism Hinduism Islam Judaism

a. Name a title that is given to a religious leader in the world religion you have ticked above.

_____ (8 marks)

b. Outline **two** examples of the work of a leader in one of the above world religions.

i. _____

ii. _____

(12 marks)

B. a. Name **one** religious festival associated with the world religion you have ticked above.

_____ (8 marks)

b. Explain **two** reasons why members of the world religion celebrate the religious festival you have named above.

i. _____

Question 5. THE CELEBRATION OF FAITH

- A. a. Croagh Patrick is a place of religious importance for a community of faith in Ireland.
Name **another** place in Ireland that has religious importance for a community of faith.

_____ (8 marks)

- b. Explain **two** reasons why the place you have named above has religious importance for a community of faith.

i.

ii.

(12 marks)

- B. a. Describe **one** example of a ritual that can be seen in an experience of worship that you have *either* taken part in *or* observed.

