



# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2011

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION — HIGHER 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 ANSWER ALL 5 SECTIONS ON THIS PAPER.

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## SECTION 1

(50 marks)

**YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 15 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 5 marks each)**

1. In religious traditions the term 'revelation' refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
2. People sometimes turn to work as a source of meaning in life.  
Name **another** source of meaning in life. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
3. The largest Christian denomination in Ireland today is — (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
     Anglican                       Methodist                       Roman Catholic
  
4. The Gospel of John is a synoptic gospel. (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
     True                                       False
  
5. In religious traditions one example of a vocation is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
6. The Lost Sheep is one example of a parable told by Jesus. (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
     True                                       False
  
7. Elijah is one example of a prophet associated with a major world religion.  
 Name **another** prophet associated with a major world religion. \_\_\_\_\_
  
8. A symbol can have only one meaning. (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
     True                                       False
  
9. Read the list of prayers and the list of world religions given below. One prayer has been matched to the world religion with which it is most associated as an example for you.  
 Make **one** other match.

<i>Prayers</i>
The Our Father/The Lord's Prayer
The Paritta
The Psalms
The Rig Veda
The Shahada/Shahadah

<i>World Religions</i>
Buddhism
Christianity
Hinduism
Islam
Judaism

*Example:*

The Our Father/ The Lord's Prayer	Christianity
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*Answer:*

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10. Humanism holds the view that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

11. Monotheism is the belief in — (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
Many Gods  No God  One God

12. In religious traditions the term ‘immoral’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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

14. In a religious tradition the term ‘justice’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

15. The Roman Governor in Palestine at the time of Jesus was — (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
Peter  Philip  Pilate

16. Baptism is one example of a Christian sacrament.  
Name **another** example of a Christian sacrament. \_\_\_\_\_

17. To show tolerance involves respecting the different beliefs of other people. (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
True  False

18. Pluralism holds the view that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

19. In a world religion the term ‘tradition’ refers to a newly established custom. (Tick ✓ the correct box)  
True  False

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

<i>Sacred Texts</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
The Gospels	Buddhism
The Qu’ran	Christianity
The Tenakh	Hinduism
The Tripitika	Islam
The Vedas	Judaism

Example: 

The Gospels	Christianity
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Answer: 

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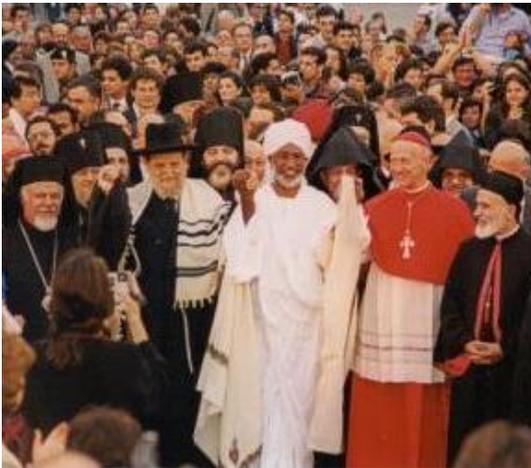
**SECTION 2**

(30 marks)

**YOU SHOULD SPEND ABOUT 15 MINUTES ANSWERING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.**

**CHOOSE THREE OF THE FOLLOWING PHOTOGRAPHS AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS ON EACH. (All questions carry 10 marks each)**

**Question 1. This is a photograph of people gathering for inter-faith dialogue.**



*www.santegidio.org*

**A. Pick one thing from this photograph which suggests that it is an example of an inter-faith gathering.**

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\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

**B. Give another example of inter-faith dialogue.**

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\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

**C. State two reasons why the members of a community of faith take part in inter-faith dialogue.**

i. \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

ii. \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ (6 marks)

**Question 2. This picture is based on the miracle of Jesus raising Jairus' daughter.**



*www.qwickstep.com*

**A. Pick one thing from this picture which suggests that it is based on the miracle of Jesus raising Jairus' daughter.**

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\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

**B. Give another example of a miracle that Jesus performed.**

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\_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)

**C. State two reasons why Jesus performed miracles.**

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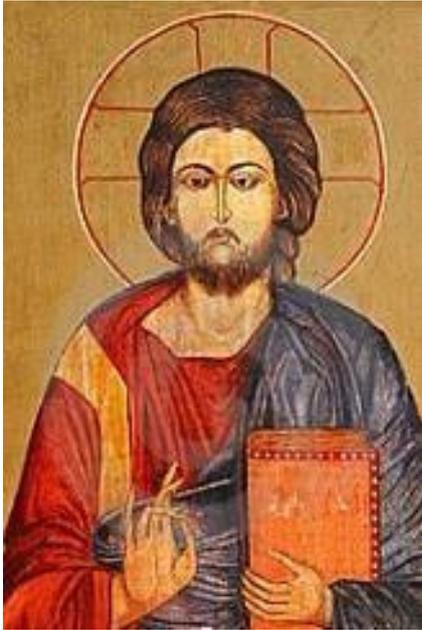
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\_\_\_\_\_ (6 marks)

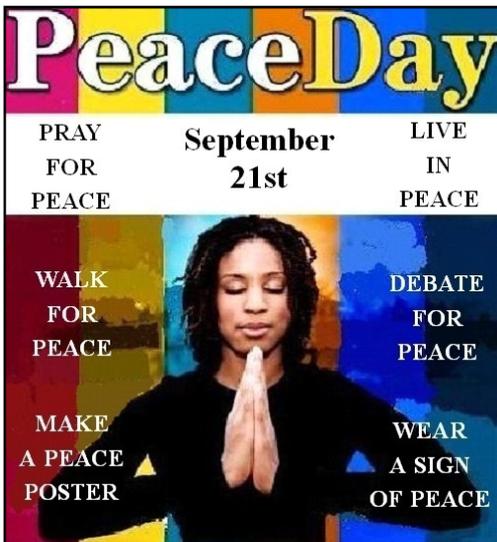
**Question 3. This is a photograph of a religious icon.**



*Adapted from www.istok.net*

- A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which suggests that this is a religious icon.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)
- B. The icon in this photograph is one example of a religious symbol. Name **another** example of a religious symbol.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)
- C. State **two** reasons why a religious symbol is important for members of a community of faith.
- i. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ (6 marks)

**Question 4. This is a photograph of a poster for a peace day.**



*Adapted from www.teachpeace.com*

- A. Pick **one** thing from this poster which suggests that it is designed to encourage people to work for peace.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)
- B. Give **one** example of a way in which members of a community of faith work for peace.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2 marks)
- C. State **two** reasons why the members of a community of faith work for peace.
- i. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ (6 marks)



2. In religious traditions the term 'stewardship' involves \_\_\_\_\_

(5 marks)

3. Describe **two** examples of how people practising stewardship can be seen in the above extract.

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4. Outline **two** ways in which a person's religious faith could encourage stewardship.

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B. a. Within a religious organisation or denomination the term ‘community breakdown’ refers to

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b. Outline **two** ways in which community breakdown could be prevented within a religious organisation or denomination.

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**Question 2. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION — CHRISTIANITY**

A. Name the sea marked a) and the river marked b) on the map of Palestine below:

a) Sea

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b) River

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*Adapted from Saint Mary's Press*

(6 marks)

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**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 that you have ticked above. \_\_\_\_\_ (5 marks)

b. Describe **two** examples of the work of a leader in the world religion that you have ticked above.

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**B.** a. Name **one** place of pilgrimage associated with the world religion that you have ticked above. \_\_\_\_\_ (5 marks)

b. Explain **two** reasons why the place of pilgrimage that you have named above is important for the members of the world religion with which it is associated.

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ii. \_\_\_\_\_  
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(20 marks)

**Question 4. THE QUESTION OF FAITH**

**A.** a. In religious traditions the term 'polytheism' refers to \_\_\_\_\_ (5 marks)

b. Outline **one** example of how polytheism can be seen in a world religion that you have studied.

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C. Explain **two** reasons why people can find it difficult to pray.

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**Question 6. THE MORAL CHALLENGE**

A. ● FAMILY ● FRIENDS ● SCHOOL

Choose **two** of the above and outline how each could influence a person's idea of what is right and wrong.

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

BUDDHISM     CHRISTIANITY     HINDUISM     ISLAM     JUDAISM

a. Name **one** moral code associated with the world religion that you have ticked above.

\_\_\_\_\_ (5 marks)

b. Describe the way in which a moral code could guide a person when making a moral decision.

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(15 marks)

c. Outline what is involved in another **two** stages of the process a person would go through in making a moral decision.

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(16 marks)

## SECTION 5

(70 marks)

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

**YOU MUST ANSWER ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SIX QUESTIONS.**

**(All questions carry 70 marks each)**

### Question 1.

Imagine that you are writing a piece for a school magazine about the way in which a community of faith is organised. Outline what you would write about the organisation of a community of faith under the following headings: i. COMMUNICATION      ii. VISION.

### Question 2.

- MEMORIAL
- MISSION

Examine how the experience of **one** of the above played a part in the development of the first Christian communities.

### Question 3.

You are visiting a friend whose family are celebrating a religious festival. Outline what happens during the celebration of a religious festival associated with **one** of the following major world religions and explain the reasons why the festival is celebrated today:

- ◆ BUDDHISM
- ◆ HINDUISM
- ◆ ISLAM
- ◆ JUDAISM

### Question 4.

You are taking part in a school debate about the challenges to religious faith in Ireland today. Outline what you would say about the way in which **each** of the following could challenge a person's religious faith:

- MATERIALISM
- SECULARISM

### Question 5.

Profile the contribution made to the understanding of prayer by **one** person associated with the spiritual tradition of a major world religion that you have studied.

### Question 6.

- LIBERTARIANISM
- RELIGIOUS FUNDAMENTALISM

Compare how the relationship between a country's law and religion is seen from **each** of the above points of view.





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