



# Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit

## State Examinations Commission

JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2012

### 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:

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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. The Sanhedrin was the name of a religious court of law in Palestine at the time of Jesus.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

2. In religious traditions ‘morality’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. The Eucharist is a Christian sacrament.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

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

<i>Religious Buildings</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
Church	Buddhism
Mandir	Christianity
Mosque	Hinduism
Synagogue	Islam
Temple	Judaism

*Example:*      Church      Christianity

*Answer:*

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5. One example of a Christian denomination is \_\_\_\_\_

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6. A person’s conscience helps him/her to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

7. The Eightfold Path is a moral code most associated with which one of the following major world religions?

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

Buddhism

Hinduism

Islam

8. In religious traditions an example of stewardship is \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

9. The Vedas are sacred texts most associated with Islam.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

10. Hanukkah is a religious festival most associated with which one of the following major world religions?

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

Christianity

Islam

Judaism

11. Peter was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus of Nazareth.

Name **another** person who was one of Jesus' twelve apostles. \_\_\_\_\_

12. To pardon or show mercy are examples of forgiveness.

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

13. Communication is one characteristic of a community.

State **another** characteristic of a community. \_\_\_\_\_

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14. In religious traditions the term 'polytheism' refers to the belief in – (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Many gods

One God

15. The name of an evangelist who wrote a gospel about Jesus of Nazareth was –

(Tick ✓ the correct box)

Lazarus

Lot

Luke

16. In religious traditions 'worship' refers to \_\_\_\_\_
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17. The Tripitaka are sacred texts most associated with which **one** of the following major world religions. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Buddhism

Hinduism

Islam

18. In religious traditions the term 'integrity' refers to \_\_\_\_\_
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19. Humanism holds the view that a person should not turn to the supernatural or belief in God when searching for meaning in life. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

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

<i>Religious Symbols</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
Aum	Buddhism
Icon	Christianity
Eight-Spoked Wheel	Hinduism
Star of David	Islam
Crescent Moon	Judaism

*Example:*

<i>Icon</i>	<i>Christianity</i>
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*Answer:*

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## 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 picture is based on a Gospel account of the resurrection of Jesus.**



[www.arabchurch.com](http://www.arabchurch.com)

- A. Pick **one** thing from this picture which suggests that it is based on the resurrection of Jesus.

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(6 marks)

- B. On which of the following days of the week did the disciples of Jesus first discover his resurrection from the dead? (Tick ✓ the correct box)

Friday  Saturday  Sunday

(6 marks)

- C. State **one** way that the first Christians were affected by the resurrection of Jesus.

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(8 marks)

**Question 2. This is a photograph of a person taking time for reflection.**



[www.gurusoftware.com/images](http://www.gurusoftware.com/images)

- A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which suggests that this person is involved in reflection.

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(6 marks)

- B. In religious traditions the term 'reflection' refers to \_\_\_\_\_

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- C. State **one** reason why having time for reflection is important for the members of a community of faith.

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(8 marks)

**Question 3. This is a photograph of people praying.**



*www.thecuttingedgenews.com*

- A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which suggests that these people are praying.

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- B. In religious traditions communal prayer involves \_\_\_\_\_

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- C. State **one** reason why the members of a community of faith participate in communal prayer.

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(8 marks)

**Question 4. This is a photograph of people working for justice.**



*Adapted from www.peaceeagle.org*

- A. Pick **one** thing from this photograph which suggests that these people are working for justice.

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(6 marks)

- B. Give **another** example of a way in which the members of a community of faith can work for justice.

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(6 marks)

- C. State **one** reason why the members of a community of faith work for justice.

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## SECTION 3

(60 marks)

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

*The following is a diary entry describing a religious ceremony.*

READ THE DIARY ENTRY CAREFULLY AND ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

*Dear Diary,*

*I attended the remembrance ceremony after school today. Each year people gather for this ceremony to remember all those close to us who have died.*

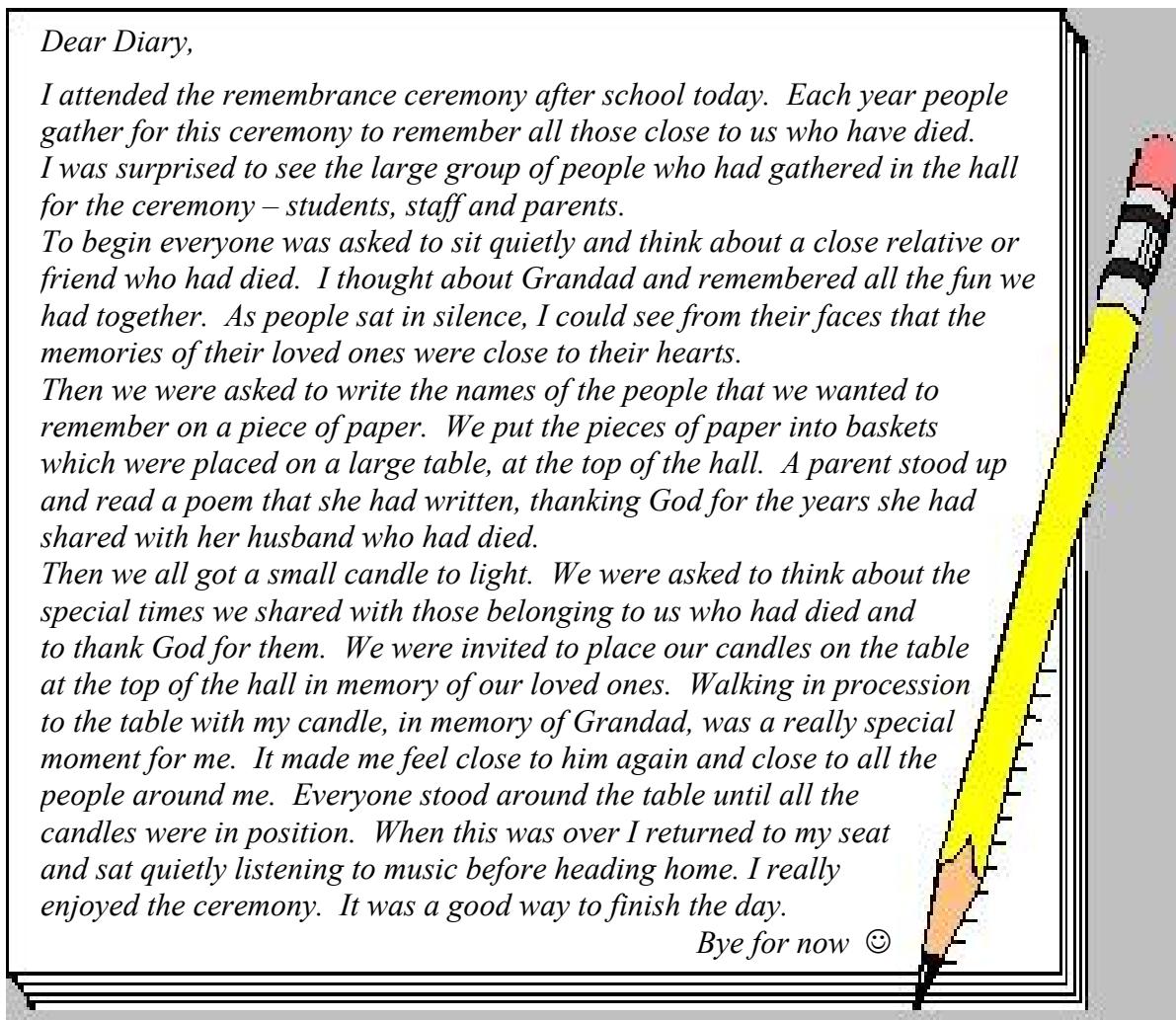
*I was surprised to see the large group of people who had gathered in the hall for the ceremony – students, staff and parents.*

*To begin everyone was asked to sit quietly and think about a close relative or friend who had died. I thought about Grandad and remembered all the fun we had together. As people sat in silence, I could see from their faces that the memories of their loved ones were close to their hearts.*

*Then we were asked to write the names of the people that we wanted to remember on a piece of paper. We put the pieces of paper into baskets which were placed on a large table, at the top of the hall. A parent stood up and read a poem that she had written, thanking God for the years she had shared with her husband who had died.*

*Then we all got a small candle to light. We were asked to think about the special times we shared with those belonging to us who had died and to thank God for them. We were invited to place our candles on the table at the top of the hall in memory of our loved ones. Walking in procession to the table with my candle, in memory of Grandad, was a really special moment for me. It made me feel close to him again and close to all the people around me. Everyone stood around the table until all the candles were in position. When this was over I returned to my seat and sat quietly listening to music before heading home. I really enjoyed the ceremony. It was a good way to finish the day.*

*Bye for now ☺*



Source: Adapted from SoftKey Multimedia Inc.

1. a. Outline **one** way in which religious belief can be seen in the ceremony described above.

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b.

● RITUAL

● PARTICIPATION

Examine how *either* ritual *or* participation can be seen in the ceremony described above.

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2. Describe what happens in **another** religious ceremony that you have participated in or observed.

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3. Explain **one** reason why the members of a community of faith participate in the religious ceremony that you have described in part 2) above.

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## 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. Archbishop Alan Harper is a religious leader associated with the Church of Ireland.  
(Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

(8 marks)

- b. Describe what is involved in the work done by a leader in a community of faith.

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- B. a. Explain **two** reasons why leadership is important for a community of faith.

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(12 marks)

- b.  INSPIRING VISION  RELIGIOUS COMMITMENT

Tick **✓ one** of the above and outline an example of how it can be seen in the work done by the members of a community of faith today.

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

- A. a. ‘Feeding the Five Thousand’ is one example of a meal that Jesus shared with others.

Name **another** example of table-fellowship from the life of Jesus. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (8 marks)

- b. Outline what happened in the example of table-fellowship from the life of Jesus that you have named in part a) above.

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- B. a. Describe what Jesus taught his disciples about the Kingdom of God in a meal that he shared with others.

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- b. Outline **another** example of how Jesus' words or actions taught people about the Kingdom of God.

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**Question 3. FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION — MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS**

- A. a. In religious traditions the term ‘revelation’ involves God/the divine communicating with people. (Tick ✓ the correct box)

True

False

(8 marks)

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

BUDDHISM  HINDUISM  ISLAM  JUDAISM

Describe one example of revelation from the story of the world religion that you have ticked above.

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- B. a. Read the list of religious names and the list of world religions given below.  
Match one religious name to the world religion with which it is most associated.

Religious Names	World Religions
Allah	Buddhism
Yahweh/YHWH	Hinduism
Enlightened One	Islam
Brahman	Judaism

Religious Name	World Religion
Answer:	

(8 marks)

- b. ♦ BUDDHISM   ♦ HINDUISM   ♦ ISLAM   ♦ JUDAISM

Outline an example of how the religious beliefs in **one** of the above major world religions influence the way its members live their lives today.

(*World Religion*)

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#### Question 4. THE QUESTION OF FAITH

- A. a. Read the list of religious practices and the list of world religions given below.  
Match **one** religious practice to the world religion with which it is most associated.

<i>Religious Practices</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
Facing Mecca	Buddhism
Sitting in the Lotus Position	Christianity
Wearing a Tefillin	Hinduism
Making a Sign of the Cross	Islam
Offering Incense	Judaism

Answer:

<i>Religious Practice</i>	<i>World Religion</i>

(8 marks)

- b. Outline **two** reasons why religious practice is important for people of religious faith.  
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- B. a. Name **one** world religion that is associated with monotheism. \_\_\_\_\_ (8 marks)
- b. Describe **one** example of how monotheism can be seen in a world religion that you have studied.

(*World Religion*) \_\_\_\_\_

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### Question 5. THE CELEBRATION OF FAITH

- A. a. Read the list of religious festivals and the list of world religions given below. Match **one** religious festival to the world religion with which it is most associated.

<i>Religious Festivals</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
Diwali	Buddhism
Yom Kippur	Christianity
Eid-ul-Fitr	Hinduism
Wesak	Islam
Easter	Judaism

*Religious Festival      World Religion*

*Answer:*

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(8 marks)

- b. Describe **one** example of what is involved in the celebration of a time of year that is regarded as sacred by the members of a world religion.

*(Sacred Time)*

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- B. a. Read the list of religious objects and the list of world religions given below. Match **one** religious object to the world religion with which it is most associated.

<i>Religious Objects</i>	<i>World Religions</i>
Arti Lamp	Buddhism
Menorah	Christianity
Kathina Robe	Hinduism
Crucifix	Islam
Mihrab	Judaism

*Religious Object      World Religion*

*Answer:*

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(8 marks)

- b. A candle is one example of a religious object used in prayer.

Outline how **another** religious object is used in prayer by the members of a major world religion.

*(Religious Object)*

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#### Question 6. THE MORAL CHALLENGE

- A. a. In religious traditions the term ‘sin’ refers to \_\_\_\_\_  
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(8 marks)

- b. Describe **two** consequences which sin can have for the members of a community of faith.

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(12 marks)

B. a. Moral immaturity can be seen when \_\_\_\_\_

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b. Outline **two** examples of what is involved in a person's growth towards moral maturity.

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