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GCSE

RELIGIOUS STUDIES (SHORT COURSE)

Section 1 Buddhism

Wednesday 21 May 2025 Afternoon Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

Before you open this book, you must ensure you also have:

- the Question Paper/Answer Book for the other **religion section** you are entered for (Christianity, Islam **or** Judaism)
- the Question Paper/Answer Book for **Section 5** (Themes).
You will have 1 hour 45 minutes to complete **all three** Question Paper/Answer Books.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page **and** on your other two books.
- Answer **all** questions.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.

Information

- The maximum mark for this section is 27.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (**SPaG**) will be assessed in the 12-mark question.

Advice

You are advised to spend 50 minutes on the **religion sections** and 50 minutes on **Section 5** (Themes).

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0 1 . 1 Which **one** of the following is **not** one of the Six Perfections?

[1 mark]

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A Craving

☐

B Energy

☐

C Generosity

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D Patience

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0 1 . 2 Give **two** reasons why Siddhartha Gautama left his life of luxury.

[2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

2



[4 marks]

[illegible]

4

Turn over ►



Explain **two** Buddhist teachings about the concept of dependent arising (paticcasamuppada).

Refer to sacred writings or another source of Buddhist belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]

[illegible]

5



'For Buddhists, compassion (karuna) is the most important teaching on how to behave towards others.'

In your answer you should:

- [12 marks]**
[SPaG 3 marks]

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