



GCE A LEVEL – NEW

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RELIGIOUS STUDIES – A2 unit 3
Option D: A Study of Buddhism

TUESDAY, 5 JUNE 2018 – MORNING

1 hour 30 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **three** questions:

One question from Section A.

Two questions from Section B.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question carries 30 marks.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded of the need to:

- reflect on, select and apply specified knowledge
- understand, interpret and evaluate critically religious concepts, texts and other sources
- account for the influence of social, religious and historical factors on the developments in the study of religions and belief
- identify, investigate and critically analyse questions, arguments, ideas and issues arising from within this unit, including the views of scholars and academics
- identify and analyse the nature of connections between the units you have studied
- construct well informed and reasoned arguments substantiated by relevant evidence
- engage in debate in a way that recognises the right of others to hold a different view
- present responses to questions which are clear and coherent
- use specialist language and terminology appropriately
- use spelling, punctuation and grammar appropriately.

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Section A questions test your knowledge and understanding of religion and belief.

Section B questions test your skills of analysis and evaluation, with regards to aspects of and approaches to religion and belief.

Section A

Answer one question from this section.

Either,

1. Examine the role and importance of the Pali Canon within Buddhism. [30]

Or,

2. Examine the background and work of the Fourteenth Dalai Lama. [30]

Section B

Answer two questions from this section.

3. 'The practices of koan, nembutsu and daimoku represent accurate expressions of the Buddha's teachings.'
Evaluate this view. [30]
4. 'Buddhism supports feminism.'
Evaluate this view. [30]
5. 'The contemporary Mindfulness movement has nothing to do with Buddhism.'
Evaluate this view. [30]
6. 'British Buddhism is unique.'
Evaluate this view. [30]

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