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A2 GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G586/01/1 Buddhism

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Answer two questions.

1 ‘All meditation practices lead to the same experiences.’ Discuss. [35]

2 ‘The Zen tradition has strayed too far from the teachings of the Buddha to be considered a true form of Buddhism.’ Discuss. [35]

3 ‘Buddhists can do whatever they like and use upaya to justify it.’ Discuss. [35]

4 Assess the importance of the Pali Canon for Buddhists. [35]