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AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G571/01 Philosophy of Religion

QUESTION PAPER

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

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• 12 page Answer Booklet (OCR12) (sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:
None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES
• Complete the boxes on the Answer Booklet with your name, centre number and candidate number.
• Use black ink.
• Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
• Answer two questions.
• Write the number of each question in the margin.
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• The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
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Answer **two** questions.

1  (a) Explain why some philosophers believe that God is responsible for everything that happens in the universe. [25]

   (b) ‘It is **not** possible for something to come out of nothing.’ Discuss. [10]

2  (a) Explain the teleological argument for the existence of God. [25]

   (b) To what extent is believing the universe has a purpose just an illusion? [10]

3  (a) Explain the philosophical problems caused by believing that human beings are morally aware. [25]

   (b) ‘Kant’s understanding of morality is the best explanation for the existence of moral awareness.’ Discuss. [10]

4  (a) Explain how Augustine justified the existence of moral evil. [25]

   (b) To what extent does the existence of moral evil prove that God does **not** exist? [10]

END OF QUESTION PAPER