



Oxford Cambridge and RSA

Tuesday 23 May 2023 – Afternoon

GCSE (9–1) Religious Studies

J625/08 Religion, philosophy and ethics in the modern world from a Jewish perspective

Time allowed: 2 hours



No extra materials are needed.



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If you need extra space use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Answer **all** the questions.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **126**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and the use of specialist terminology will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✎).
- This document has **20** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

1 Relationships and families

(a) Outline **one** belief reflected in a Jewish marriage ceremony.

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(b) Describe Jewish attitudes towards civil partnership.

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(d) 'Men and women should have different roles in the family.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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2 The existence of God

(a) Describe what Jews might believe about visions.

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(b) Outline the argument for the existence of G-d from the evidence of design and purpose.


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(d) 'Beliefs about the nature of G-d are important for Jews.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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(d)* 'Social justice should be a priority for all Jews.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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(d)* 'Judaism has nothing to learn from secularism.'

Discuss this statement. In your answer, you should:

- Draw on your learning from across your course of study, including reference to beliefs, teachings and practices within Judaism.
- Explain and evaluate the importance of points of view from the perspective of Judaism.

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END OF QUESTION PAPER

ADDITIONAL ANSWER SPACE

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