ENGLAND GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES EDEXCEL · FINAL EXAM · 50 QUESTIONS

Final Exam — Practice Test

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1 **A cross hangs above the altar. What does the cross remind Christians of?**

- A The baptism of Jesus
- B The birth of Jesus
- C The death of Jesus for the sins of the world
- D The ascension of Jesus, which can happen in some cases

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2 **A crescent moon is seen at the end of Ramadan. What festival follows the sighting of the new moon?**

- A Eid al Adha
- B Ashura
- C Eid al Fitr
- D Mawlid

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3 **A stained glass window shows the creation of the world. What does the design argument claim about the world?**

- A It shows no order at all, which can happen in some cases
- B It has no purpose
- C It was made by chance
- D It shows order and purpose, so it must have a designer

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4 **A stained glass window shows the Good Samaritan. What does the parable of the Good Samaritan teach?**

- A That Christians should help anyone in need, even a stranger or enemy
- B That Christians should help only fellow Christians, in some situations
- C That Christians should help only the rich
- D That Christians should help only their friends

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5 **Candles are lit at Easter. What does the Paschal candle represent?**

- A The harvest
- B The risen Christ
- C The birth of Jesus
- D The Holy Spirit at Pentecost

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6 **Who receives the meat from the Eid al Adha sacrifice?**

- A The rich only
- B The imam only
- C The family, friends and the poor
- D The mosque only, in some situations

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7 **A Bible is open at the story of Job. What does the story of Job teach about suffering?**

- A That a good person can suffer without deserving it
- B That suffering always means sin
- C That God never allows suffering, in some situations
- D That Job was punished for sin

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8 **Prayer beads are held during prayer for a family. What is the role of parents in a Christian family?**

- A To love, care for and bring up their children in the faith
- B To control their children for ever
- C To send children to church school only, which can happen in some cases
- D To earn money only

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How many books are in the New Testament?

A Sixty six

B Twelve

C Twenty seven

D Thirty nine, in some situations

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Which area of study does Paper 2 cover?

A Study of Religion

B Study of Second Religion

C Philosophy and Ethics, in some situations

D Textual Studies

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11 **What is Aquinas Second Way?**

A The argument from causation, that everything caused needs a first cause

B The argument from being

C The argument from design

D The argument from morality, which depends on the system and the situation

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12 **What is the Roman Catholic teaching on contraception?**

A That artificial contraception is wrong, and only natural methods are allowed

B That contraception is required

C That all contraception is allowed

D That contraception is a sacrament, which is one possibility in some situations

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13 **Who was the first person to see the risen Jesus according to the Gospel of John?**

- A Peter
- B Mary the mother of Jesus
- C Mary Magdalene
- D John

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14 **What are angels made from in Islamic belief?**

- A Clay
- B Fire
- C Water
- D Light

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15 **Which Bible event is an example of conversion?**

A Mary visiting Elizabeth, in some situations

B Peter walking on water

C John baptising Jesus

D Paul on the road to Damascus

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16 **What is the role of the church in supporting families?**

A To stay out of family life

B To judge families

C To charge families for help, which is one possibility in some situations

D To offer practical help, counselling and a community of support

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17 **Why is the Bible a source of wisdom and authority for Christians?**

A Christians believe it is a history book only

B Christians believe it is the word of God

C Christians believe it was written by Jesus

D Christians believe it is a book of laws only

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18 **What does the Arabic word Malaikah mean?**

A Holy books

B Angels

C Prophets

D Prayers

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19 **What is general revelation?**

A God revealed in a vision only

B God revealed through creation and the world around us

C God revealed in a dream only

D God revealed to one person only, which can happen in some cases

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20 **What is family prayer?**

A Prayer said by a priest only, in some situations

B Prayer shared together by a family at home

C Prayer said at a wedding

D Prayer said in church only

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21 **A rosary is used in prayer. What does the rosary help believers to meditate on?**

A The history of the church

B The names of the apostles, in some situations

C Events in the life of Jesus and Mary

D The books of the Bible

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22 **Which prophet received the Tawrat?**

A Isa

B Muhammad

C Musa

D Ibrahim

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23 **Which area of study does Paper 3 cover?**

- A Textual Studies
- B Study of Second Religion
- C Study of Religion
- D Philosophy and Ethics

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24 **What does the Sermon on the Mount teach about loving enemies?**

- A That Christians should love their enemies and pray for them
- B That Christians should hate their enemies
- C That Christians should fight their enemies
- D That Christians should ignore their enemies, in some situations

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25 **What does the cross symbolise for Christians?**

A The baptism of Jesus

B The death and resurrection of Jesus

C The ascension of Jesus, in some situations

D The birth of Jesus

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26 **What is the pulpit in the mosque called?**

A Mihrab

B Minaret

C Dome

D Minbar

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What is the anthropic principle?

A The universe seems designed to allow human life

B The universe is hostile to life, in some situations

C Humans designed the universe

D The universe has no humans

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What is charity in Christian teaching?

A Giving to the rich

B Giving time, money and love to help those in need

C Giving money to the church only, in some situations

D Giving to gain praise

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29 **What is heaven in Christian belief?**

A A place on earth only

B A garden in Jerusalem, in some situations

C Eternal life in the presence of God

D A reward for the rich

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30 **In which month does Hajj take place?**

A Dhul Hijjah

B Muharram, in some situations

C Ramadan

D Shawwal

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31 **A cross stands on the altar. What does the Christian belief about the cross say about suffering?**

- **A** God in Jesus suffered with humans and understands their pain
- **B** God causes suffering for fun, which is one possibility in some situations
- **C** God never suffers
- **D** God ignores suffering

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32 **A stained glass window shows a wedding feast. What are the purposes of marriage in Christian teaching?**

- **A** Wealth and status only, which is one possibility in some situations
- **B** Obeying the law only
- **C** Love, companionship, having children and supporting each other
- **D** Having children only

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33 **What is the anointing of the sick?**

A A sacrament for a new baby

B A sacrament for a new priest

C A sacrament of prayer and oil for a person who is seriously ill

D A sacrament for a healthy person, which can happen in some cases

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34 **What is the Hadith?**

A The sayings and actions of Muhammad

B The prayers of the mosque, in some situations

C The Quran itself

D The laws of the caliphs

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35 **What did Epicurus argue about God and evil?**

A If God can stop evil but does not, he is not all loving

B Evil does not exist

C God causes all evil

D God is not all powerful, which is one possibility in some situations

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36 **What is the Christian teaching on rest?**

A That rest is laziness

B That rest is forbidden

C That rest is only for the rich, which can happen in some cases

D That rest and worship on the Sabbath are gifts from God

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37 **What is the sacrament of reconciliation also called?**

A Confirmation

B Confession

C Ordination

D Anointing of the sick

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38 **Which of the Ten Obligatory Acts is giving to charity?**

A Sawm

B Salah

C Jihad

D Zakah

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39 **A rosary is held during prayer. What does prayer help a person to do in Christian belief?**

- A To replace going to church
- B To build a relationship with God and ask for his help
- C To earn salvation by effort, which can happen in some cases
- D To show off their faith

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40 **A lantern glows in a church hall where food is shared. What is the parable of the sheep and the goats about?**

- A Only church attendance matters, which can happen in some cases
- B The rich are blessed
- C Caring for the hungry and sick is caring for Jesus himself
- D Only prayer matters

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41 **What is the role of the sacraments in salvation for Roman Catholics?**

- A They replace the need for faith
- B They are channels of grace that help believers towards salvation
- C They are only social customs
- D They are forbidden by the church, which is one possibility in some situations

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42 **Which prophet is believed to have built the Kaaba with his son Ishmael?**

- A Ibrahim
- B Yusuf, in some situations
- C Isa
- D Musa

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43 **What is the Kalam cosmological argument?**

A The universe is eternal and uncaused, which can happen in some cases

B The universe has no beginning

C Whatever begins to exist has a cause, so the universe has a cause

D The universe caused itself

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44 **Which commandment says You shall not murder?**

A The seventh commandment

B The eighth commandment

C The fifth commandment

D The sixth commandment

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45 **What is private worship?**

A Worship led by a bishop

B Worship by a person on their own

C Worship at a festival only

D Worship by a whole congregation, in some situations

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46 **What do Muslims believe the soul does after death?**

A It disappears

B It waits in Barzakh until the Day of Judgement

C It goes straight to Paradise, in some situations

D It is reborn at once

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Why do atheists use the problem of evil?

A As proof that humans are evil, which is one possibility in some situations

B As proof that God exists

C As proof that prayer works

D As an argument that an all loving, all powerful God does not exist

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What is annulment in the Roman Catholic Church?

A A renewal of vows

B A church blessing

C A divorce by another name, which is one possibility in some situations

D A declaration that a marriage was never valid in the first place

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49 **What do Roman Catholics believe happens to the bread and wine at Mass?**

A They are thrown away after the service, in some situations

B They become holy water

C They stay as symbols only

D They become the body and blood of Christ

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50 **What is a surah?**

A A chapter of the Quran

B A verse of the Quran

C A prayer of the Quran, in some situations

D A story of the Quran

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