

Christianity exam questions

	2019 Beliefs & Teachings	2019 Practices	2018 Beliefs & Teachings	2018 Practices	Specimen 1 Beliefs & Teachings	Specimen 1 Practices	Specimen 2 Beliefs & Teachings	Specimen 2 Practices	Short course specimen	2018 Short course	2019 Short course
1 mark	Which one of the following is not a means of salvation?	Which one of the following is a form of private worship?	Which one of the following describes the meaning of the word 'omnipotent' ?	Which one of the following is not part of the celebration of Christmas?	Which one of the following is the book in the Bible in which the story of Creation can be found?	Which one of the following is the sacrament that commemorates Jesus' last supper?	Which one of the following is the idea that God is three-in-one?	Which one of the following is not a way that Christians celebrate the festival of Easter?	Which one of the following expresses the belief that, in Jesus, God became a man?	Which one of the following means to restore the relationship between a person and God?	Which one of the following is a Person of the Trinity?
2 marks	Give two Christian beliefs about Jesus' Ascension.	Give two ways in which the Church helps Christians to respond to persecution	Give two Christian teachings about original sin.	Give two ways in which Christians might show their commitment to Church growth.	Give two qualities which Christians believe describe the nature of God.	Give two examples of the work of the Church in the local community.	Give two reasons why the disciples believed Jesus was alive after his resurrection.	Give two ways in which Christian churches respond to persecution.	Give two ways in which Christians believe the Holy Spirit is at work in the world.	Give two Christian beliefs about salvation.	Name the two people who committed original sin in the Garden of Eden.
4 marks	Explain two ways in which belief in the Trinity influences Christians today.	Explain two contrasting examples of the work of the Church in the local community.	Explain two ways in which Jesus' crucifixion influences Christians today.	Explain two contrasting examples of Christian worship	Explain two ways in which belief in the resurrection of Jesus influences Christians today.	Explain two contrasting ways in which the Eucharist (Holy Communion) is celebrated in Christianity.	Explain two ways in which the belief that God is just influences Christians today.	Explain two contrasting examples of Christian pilgrimage.	Explain two ways in which a belief in creation influences Christians.	Explain two ways in which believing in the incarnation influences Christians today	Explain two ways in which believing that God is loving influences Christians today.
5 marks	Explain two Christian beliefs about the causes of sin.	Explain two reasons why celebrating Holy Communion/ Eucharist is important for many Christians.	Explain two Christian teachings about the incarnation	Explain two ways in which the worldwide Church works for reconciliation .	Explain two Christian teachings about judgement.	Explain two ways in which Christian street pastors carry out their Christian duty	Explain two Christian teachings about the means of salvation.	Explain two ways in which a worldwide Christian relief organisation carries out its mission overseas.	Explain two Christian beliefs about the ascension of Jesus.	Explain two Christian beliefs about the afterlife.	Explain two Christian beliefs about the creation of the world.
12 marks	God cannot be loving because people suffer.	'The Lord's Prayer is the only prayer that Christians need to use.'	A loving God would not send anyone to hell.'	'Infant baptism is not as important as believers' baptism.'	'If God were loving, there would be no suffering in the world.'	The best way for Christians to reach an understanding of God is by practising prayer.'	The Bible tells Christians all they need to know about God's creation.'	'Private worship has more meaning for a Christian than public worship.'	'The best way for Christians to achieve salvation is by following the law of God.'	Christianity would not exist if Jesus had not risen from the dead.'	Without Jesus' death and resurrection, there would be no salvation.'

Islam exam questions

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1 mark	Which one of the following is not part of the Five Roots of Usul ad-Din in Shi'a Islam?	Which one of the following is the name given to the washing ritual performed before Salah (Prayer)?	Which one of the following describes Muslim beliefs about life after death?	Which one of the following words describes the daily prayers that Muslims perform?	Which one of the following best describes the meaning of Tawhid?	Which one of the following is the religious tax paid by Shi'a Muslims?	Which one of the following is the meaning of Adalat?	Which one of the following is the month in which Muslims must fast?	Which one of the following expresses the Muslim belief that God is One?	Which one of the following is not a quality of God?	Which one of the following is not an article of faith in Sunni Islam?
2 marks	Give two Muslim beliefs about heaven.	Give two Muslim practices that happen during Ramadan.	Name two articles of faith in Sunni Islam.	Give two actions that Muslims perform during Hajj.	Give two of the Holy books, other than the Qur'an.	Give two ways in which Shi'a Muslims celebrate the festival of Ashura.	Give two angels that are mentioned in the Qur'an.	Give two rituals that Muslims perform during Salah.	Give two qualities which Muslims believe God possesses.	Give two of the five roots of Usul ad-Din in Shi'a Islam.	Name two prophets of Islam.
4 marks	Explain two ways in which belief in God's justice (Adalat) influences Muslims today.	Explain two contrasting ways in which Muslims celebrate Ashura.	Explain two ways in which belief in predestination influences Muslims today.	Explain two contrasting Muslim beliefs about giving alms.	Explain two ways in which a belief in life after death influences Muslims today.	Explain two contrasting understandings of Jihad.	Explain two ways in which belief about heaven and hell influence Muslims today.	Explain two contrasting understandings of Salah.	Explain two ways in which the Imamate influences Shi'a Muslims.	Explain two ways in which the Qur'an influences Muslims.	Explain two ways in which the five roots of Usul ad-Din influence Shi'a Muslims today.
5 marks	Explain two Muslim beliefs about the Imamate in Shi'a Islam.	Explain two religious reasons why Muslims visit Makkah.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about the role of prophets.	Explain two ways in which Muslims celebrate the festival of Id-ul-Fitr.	Explain two Muslim teachings about angels.	Explain two ways in which the Ka'aba is important in the Muslim Hajj (pilgrimage).	Explain two Muslim teachings about Tawhid (the Oneness of God).	Explain two ways in which the celebration of the festival of Id-ul-Adha is important to Muslims.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about angels.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about the Prophet Ibrahim.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about life after death (Aakhirah).
12 marks	Belief in angels is no longer relevant for Muslims in the modern world.'	'The Shahadah (declaration of faith) is the most important Pillar of Islam.'	The Qur'an is the only authority a Muslim needs in life.	The Friday prayer (Jumma) is more important than the daily prayers.'	'To describe God as 'omnipotent' is the best way to understand God.'	The best way for Muslims to understand God is to practise Salah.'	'For Muslims, Adam is a more important Prophet than Ibrahim.'	Completing the hajj is the most important duty for a Muslim.'	The best way for Muslims to learn about their faith is by learning the Qur'an	The Oneness of God (Tawhid) is not the only important Muslim belief.'	'Holy books are not important for Muslims in the modern world.'

Theme A relationship and families.

	Theme A Specimen 1	Theme A Specimen 2	Theme A 2018	Theme A 2019
1 mark	Which one of the following best expresses the religious view that one purpose of marriage is to have children?	Which one of the following describes the practice of having more than one wife?	Some religious believers may use methods to prevent a pregnancy taking place. Which one of the following describes that practice	Which one of the following best describes a nuclear family?
2 marks	Give two religious beliefs about the nature of the family.	Give two religious beliefs about the use of contraception.	Give two religious beliefs about same-sex marriage.	Give two religious teachings about gender discrimination.
4 marks	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about the use of artificial contraception within marriage.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about same-sex parents.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about the roles of men and women.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about unmarried couples living together (cohabitation).
5 marks	Explain two religious beliefs about the role of parents in a religious family.	Explain two religious beliefs about sexual relationships outside of marriage (adultery).	Explain two religious beliefs about divorce.	Explain two religious beliefs about the purpose of families.
12 marks	Divorce is never right.'	Men and women should not have equal rights.'	For religious believers, sexual relationships should take place only within marriage.'	'It is wrong to disapprove of homosexual relationships.'

Theme B – Religion and life

	Theme B Specimen 1	Theme B Specimen 2	Theme B 2018	Theme B 2019
1 mark	Which one of the following is a religious theory about how the universe began?	Which one of the following means that human life is precious and sacred?	Which one of the following means being gently and painlessly put to death?	Which one of the following terms describes a religious duty to look after the world?
2 marks	Give two examples of what religious believers might do to help to carry out the duty of stewardship.	Give two reasons why some religious people do not eat meat.	Give two religious beliefs about pollution.	Give two ways religious believers might help to reduce pollution.
4 marks	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about abortion.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about euthanasia.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about the use of animals for food.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about animal experimentation.
5 marks	Explain two religious beliefs about animal experimentation.	Explain two religious beliefs about how peoples' actions in this life affect what happens to them in the afterlife.	Explain two religious beliefs about the afterlife.	Explain two religious beliefs about how human life began on earth.
12 marks	It is not reasonable to believe in life after death.'	Abuse of the environment is impossible to stop.'	Evolution proves that religious beliefs about the origins of life are wrong.'	'Abortion should be allowed only when the mother's life is at risk.'

Theme D – Religion, peace and conflict

	Theme D Specimen 1	Theme D Specimen 2	Theme D 2018	Theme D 2019
1 mark	Which one of the following best expresses the religious ideal that there should be no violence in the world?	Which one of the following means to become friends again after a relationship has broken down?	Which one of the following is not a reason for war?	Which one of the following gives the meaning of pacifism?
2 marks	Give two ways in which religious believers help victims of war.	Give two reasons why many religious believers are against violent protest.	Give two religious beliefs that show that violence is wrong.	Give two ways that religious believers can work for peace.
4 marks	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about weapons of mass destruction.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about nuclear weapons.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about pacifism.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about reconciliation.
5 marks	Explain two religious beliefs about forgiveness.	Explain two religious beliefs which show that all acts of terrorism are wrong.	Explain two religious beliefs about justice.	Explain two reasons why religious people help victims of war.
12 marks	War is never right.'	War is the best way to solve problems between countries.'	There are no good reasons for countries to possess nuclear weapons.	

Theme E – Religion, crime and punishment.

	Theme E Specimen 1	Theme E Specimen 2	Theme E 2018	Theme E 2019
1 mark	Which one of the following expresses the religious idea that one aim of punishment should be to encourage people not to commit any more crimes?	Which one of the following is not an aim of punishment?	Which one of the following is not a reason for crime?	Many religious believers do not support causing physical pain to those who break the law.
2 marks	Give two examples of religious moral laws which some criminals break.	Give two causes of crime.	Give two religious beliefs about forgiveness	Give two of the aims of punishment.
4 marks	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about the death penalty for murder.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about the use of community service as a punishment.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about people who break the law.	Explain two contrasting religious views about how people who commit a crime because of an addiction should be treated.
5 marks	Explain two religious beliefs about breaking the law in order to get a bad law changed.	Explain two religious beliefs which show that all hate crimes are wrong	Explain two religious beliefs about the death penalty	Explain two religious reasons why some people are against the death penalty.
12 marks	Corporal punishment can never be justified.'	The death penalty should never be used.'	Reformation is the best aim of punishment.	'There is nothing wrong with sending a criminal to prison.'