EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL OF ZAMBIA

Examination for General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

Religious Education

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Additional Material(s):
Answer Booklet

Time: 2 hours 30 minutes
Reading Time: 5 minutes

Instructions to candidates

1 Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.

2 There are five sections: A, B, C, D and E in this paper.

3 Answer five questions only.

4 Answer one question from each Section.

5 Write your answers in the Answer Booklet provided.

Information for candidates

1 All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

2 Cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed in the examination room.

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This question paper consists of 6 printed pages
SECTION A: LIVING IN A CHANGING SOCIETY

Answer only one question from this section.

1  (a) EITHER

List six problems that arise out of the salaried employment. [6]

OR

Explain briefly how monasteries lost a balance between work and prayer. [6]

(b)  (i) Narrate a parable from the Matthew’s Gospel which explains that work should be a means of serving others. [10]

(ii) As the chairperson of the relief sub-committee of the disaster management, under the office of the Vice-President, give four concrete examples of how the teaching from the Gospel of Matthew can be put into practice in Zambia today. [4]

2  (a) EITHER

Explain briefly what Ramadan festival means to a Muslim. [6]

OR

Compare and contrast between the ritual dances and folk dances. [6]

(b)  (i) Give the content from the book of Deuteronomy which shows that the Sabbath was meant for prayer and rest. [10]

(ii) Mr Cosamu is a Security Guard at your company. He is required to work even on the Sabbath day whenever it is his shift. He comes to complain to you that according to Biblical Law, it is a sin to work on the Sabbath and he is supposed to enjoy his rest and prayer. As the owner of this company and a devoted Christian, give him four concrete reasons why he should not worship and relax on this day. [4]
SECTION B: ORDER AND FREEDOM IN SOCIETY

Answer only one question from this section.

3  (a) EITHER

List and explain the steps to follow to arrive at an informed vision.  

OR

Show how Martin Luther King Jr fought for justice using non-violence method.

(b)  (i) Give the teaching from the letter of Saint James that shows the early church’s concern for justice towards the poor.

(ii) In your class there are some pupils that are orphans and are being kept by their old grand mothers who have no means of supporting them. How can you and your classmates show care and concern to your poor classmates?

4  (a) EITHER

List and briefly explain how different people use their authority in our society today.

OR

Describe briefly how Reverend Ezekiel Apindi used his authority for the service of the under privileged.

(b)  (i) Give the content from the book of Psalm which shows how the Hebrews experienced God’s authority through creation and through his saving actions.

(ii) Mr Songololo is a general worker at one of the schools in the Dar District. He complains that there is nothing God has done in his life. You are a good friend to him, what four pieces of advice could you give to him, using the above passage?
SECTION C: LIFE

Answer only one question from this section.

5 (a) EITHER

Describe briefly how a Hindu attains full happiness by achieving Moksha. [6]

OR

List six things that made people happy in Zambian Traditional Society. [6]

(b) (i) Give the content from the Gospel of John in which Jesus reminds his apostles that he will rise again. [10]

(ii) Naomi lost her father while she was in Grade 11 and they had to go back to the village. Her mother told them that life in the village would be hard for everyone, especially for those in school. She told them that they should always remember that sometimes it was through many challenges that life may become better.

Give four concrete examples of how challenges and suffering in life may bring gladness at the end. [4]

6 (a) EITHER

Explain briefly six beliefs that are expressed by Muslims on the unending life. [6]

OR

Describe briefly the concept of immortality in Christianity. [6]

(b) (i) Give the content from the book of Isaiah which shows how the Hebrews believed that after death the person goes to a dark place called Sheol. [10]

(ii) Your grandmother is 80 years old. She lives with you and the rest of the members of your family. You are one of the family members that she has told that she is scared of death. What four pieces of advice can you give to your grandmother in order for her not to be scared of death? [4]
SECTION D: MAN AND WOMAN

Answer only one question from this section

7  (a) EITHER

List six qualities a man might look for in the future wife. [6]

OR

Describe briefly six purposes of lobola in the Zambian Traditional Society. [6]

(b) (i) Give the content from the Gospel of Mark in which Jesus taught about monogamy. [10]

(ii) Your Religious Education teacher has given you an assignment to find out why people divorce. Give four common reasons why people divorce in your district. [4]

8  (a) EITHER

Describe briefly six effects of HIV and AIDS on family life. [6]

OR

Describe briefly six ways how education of children was very important in the African Tradition Society. [6]

(b) (i) Give the content from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians in which he emphasised that the basis of family life is on mutual love and respect. [10]

(ii) Mr and Mrs Chungu have problems in their marriage. They do not seem to know who should make decisions in the home and who should follow such decisions. You are their Pastor, using the above passage, give them four pieces of advice that may help them overcome this misunderstanding in their marriage. [4]
MAN’S RESPONSE TO GOD THROUGH FAITH AND PRAYER

Answer only one question from this section.

9  (a) EITHER

State six ways in which Maya can make a Hindu evade God.  [6]

OR

Briefly explain what witchcraft and divination are.  [6]

(b) (i) Give the content from the Gospel of Luke in which Jesus warns that trusting in material goods only is turning away from God.  [10]

(ii) Your friend has a good job that is paying him very well. He rings you and boasts about it. He says, “I am buying myself a new car, a house, clothes and I will be dining from hotels and nice lodges every day.”

Suggest four ways how he can put his salaries to good use in order to avoid turning away from God.  [4]

10 (a) EITHER

List six fundamental attitudes required of all Muslims.  [6]

OR

Describe briefly six ways how the Kuoloka ritual is performed among the Lozi people.  [6]

(b) (i) Give the content from the book of Psalm which teaches that God is a keeper and protector of his word.  [10]

(ii) Finally, you are now writing your GCE Exams and so many events have happened in your life ever since you decided to rewrite some years ago.

Give four concrete examples of the events that have happened in your life that you can give thanks to God for keeping and protecting you.  [4]
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