



Victorian Certificate of Education 2011

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STUDENT NUMBER

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RELIGION AND SOCIETY

Written examination

Monday 21 November 2011

Reading time: 3.00 pm to 3.15 pm (15 minutes)

Writing time: 3.15 pm to 5.15 pm (2 hours)

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Structure of book

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Number of marks</i>
A	4	4	20
B	2	2	40
C	4	1	20
			Total 80

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- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 18 pages.
- Additional space is available at the end of the book if you need extra paper to complete an answer.

Instructions

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- All written responses must be in English.

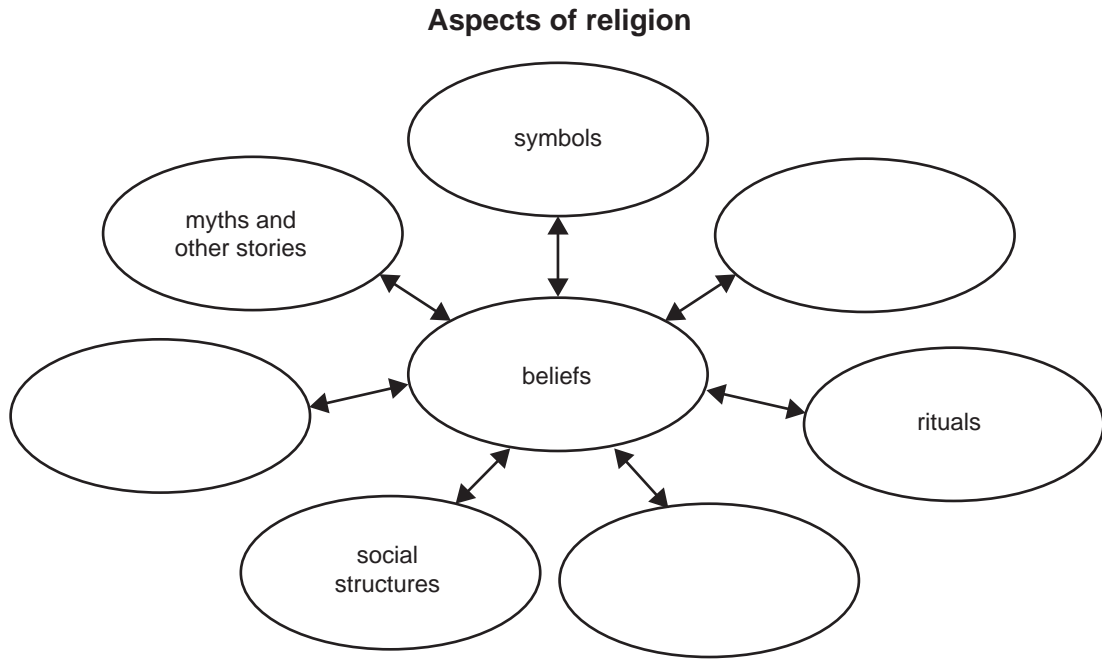
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SECTION A

Instructions for Section A
Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

Question 1

a. Complete this diagram of the aspects of religion.



3 marks

b. What relationship between beliefs and the other aspects is suggested in this diagram?

3 marks

Question 2

Identify and explain two different ways religious traditions maintain continuity of their religious beliefs in response to challenging internal and external factors.

4 marks

Question 3

a. What is meant by aspects of religion?

1 mark

b. Explain how two aspects of religion have assisted religious traditions to meet challenges throughout history.

4 marks

SECTION B

Instructions for Section B

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

Question 1



**GOOD MORNING ... THIS IS GOD ... I'LL BE
HANDLING ALL YOUR PROBLEMS TODAY**

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- a. What views are expressed in this cartoon about the relationship between ultimate reality and humanity?

5 marks

SECTION C – Essay**Instructions for Section C**

Answer **one** of the following questions in the space provided.

Question 1

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Using the cartoon, discuss how the system of beliefs held by members of one or more religious tradition you have studied allows the individual (or group) members to retain and rebuild meaning and purpose in their lives.

20 marks

OR

Question 2

Discuss the responses of one or more religious tradition you have studied to a significant historical challenge, and the effect of those responses on the religious tradition, on the tradition's relationship to other religious communities and on the wider society.

20 marks

OR

Question 3

'For a religious tradition to be true to itself it must not only confront challenges but maintain its own identity.'
Discuss this statement in relation to the way that one or more religious tradition you have studied has responded to a challenge to its beliefs.

20 marks

OR

Question 4

'Change is not only necessary but can also be beneficial for religious traditions.'
Discuss the extent to which one or more religious tradition you have studied would be influenced by this view when responding to a contemporary social or moral issue.

20 marks

