

SEVENOAKS SCHOOL



YEAR 9 (13+) SCHOLARSHIP

May 2018
for entry in September 2018

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Your Name: _____

Your School: _____

Time allowed: 40 minutes

Equipment needed: Pen, pencil, lined paper, eraser.

Information for candidates:

1. Write your name and school on this page.
2. Write your answers on the **separate paper** provided.
Please put your name on all the sheets of paper you use.
3. Answer **one** question from section A and **one** question from section B.
4. The paper will be marked out of 30. The marks for each question or part question are indicated in square brackets [].

SECTION A

Answer one question in this section. Each question is worth 15 marks.

Either

1. Old Testament – The Creation

- a) What was the fall? [2 marks]
- b) In Genesis 3, God punishes Adam and Eve for eating fruit from the Tree of Knowledge. Describe how he punishes them and explain why he chooses to punish them in this way. [5 marks]
- c) Who was the most and least responsible for the Original Sin? Explain your response by giving specific reasons to support you. [8 marks]

Or

2. New Testament – The Crucifixion

- a) What is atonement? [2 marks]
- b) Describe why some Christians believe that it was necessary for Jesus to die. [5 marks]
- c) According to the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus called out whilst on the cross “My God, my God why have you forsaken me?” Explain what he could have meant by this. [8 marks]

SECTION B

Answer one question in this section. Each question is worth 15 marks.

Either

- 1. The Rig-Veda (one of the four canonical sacred texts in Hinduism) states that, "There is only one truth, only men describe it in different ways." To what extent do you agree with this statement? Consider both sides of the argument and refer to specific examples to support your points. [15 marks]

Or

- 2. The theoretical physicist Richard Feynman stated that “Religion is a culture of faith; science is a culture of doubt.” To what extent do you agree with his statement? Consider both sides of the argument and refer to specific examples to support your points. [15 marks]