

AS RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Paper 1 Philosophy of Religion and Ethics

Thursday 14 May 2020

Morning

Time allowed: 2 hours

Materials

For this paper you must have:

• an AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is 7061/1.
- Answer all questions.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

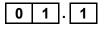
Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 120.
- In each question the first part tests your knowledge and understanding, while the second part tests your skills and evaluation.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Section A: Philosophy of Religion

Answer **both** questions in this section. Each question has two parts.

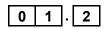
Question 1



Explain the different approaches of the design and ontological arguments to proving that God exists.

[15 marks]

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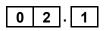


'The cosmological argument is a strong argument for the existence of God.'

Assess this view.

[15 marks]

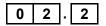
Question 2



Explain how the existence of evil challenges beliefs about God.

[15 marks]

and



'Hick's soul making theodicy fails to solve the problem of evil.'

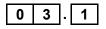
Assess this view.

[15 marks]

Section B: Ethics

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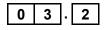
Question 3



Explain the approach taken to moral decision making by virtue ethics.

[15 marks]

and



'Virtue ethicists should never approve of capital punishment.'

Assess this view.

[15 marks]

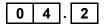
Question 4

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Explain why natural moral law and situation ethics may reach different conclusions about the issue of theft.

[15 marks]

and



'Natural moral law makes moral decision making easy.'

Assess this view.

[15 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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