



GCE AS/A LEVEL – NEW

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RELIGIOUS STUDIES – AS unit 1

Option F

An Introduction to the Study of Sikhism

THURSDAY, 17 MAY 2018 – MORNING

1 hour 15 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions.

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.

Write the number of each question you answer both alongside your answer and on the front cover of the answer booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question carries 30 marks.

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each part-question.

You are reminded of the need to:

- reflect on, select and apply specified knowledge.
- understand, interpret and evaluate critically religious concepts, texts and other sources.
- identify, investigate and critically analyse questions, arguments, ideas and issues arising from within this unit.
- construct well informed and reasoned arguments substantiated by relevant evidence.
- engage in debate in a way that recognises the right of others to hold a different view.
- present responses to questions which are clear and coherent.
- use specialist language and terminology appropriately.
- use spelling, punctuation and grammar appropriately.

UNIT 1 – An Introduction to the Study of Religion

Option F – An Introduction to the Study of Sikhism

Part (a) of each question tests your knowledge and understanding of religion and belief.
Part (b) of each question tests your skills of analysis and evaluation, with regards to aspects of and approaches to religion and belief.

Section A

Answer one question from this section.

Either,

1. (a) Examine how key events in Guru Nanak’s life influenced his teaching. [15]
(b) ‘There was nothing new in the teachings of Guru Nanak.’
Evaluate this view. [15]

Or,

2. (a) Examine the authority of the Guru Granth Sahib in Sikhism. [15]
(b) ‘Sikhs worship the Guru Granth Sahib.’
Evaluate this view. [15]

Section B

Answer one question from this section.

Either,

3. (a) Examine Sikh understanding of karma and rebirth. [15]
(b) ‘The greatest influence on Sikh lifestyle is belief in karma.’
Evaluate this view. [15]

Or,

4. (a) Explain the concepts of Kirat Karo and Vand Chakko. [15]
(b) ‘Vand Chakko is more important in Sikhism than Kirat Karo.’
Evaluate this view. [15]

Or,

5. (a) Examine how the festival of Vaisakhi expresses Sikh identity. [15]
(b) ‘Sikh festivals are more social than religious occasions.’
Evaluate this view. [15]

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