

Christian Beliefs and Teachings Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1 mark	Which one of the following is the book in the Bible in which the story of Creation can be found?	Which one of the following is the idea that God is three-in-one?	Which one of the following describes the meaning of the word 'omnipotent'?	Which one of the following is not a means of salvation?	Which one of the following is not part of God's nature?	Which one of the following is the Christian belief that Jesus returned to heaven at the end of his life on earth?	Which one of the following is not a means of salvation?	Which one of the following is not part of the Christian Trinity?
2 mark	Give two qualities which Christians believe describe the nature of God.	Give two reasons why the disciples believed Jesus was alive after his resurrection.	Give two Christian teachings about original sin.	Give two Christian beliefs about Jesus' ascension	Give two Christian beliefs about God's creation of the world.	Give two Christian beliefs about Jesus' crucifixion.	Give two Christian beliefs about the Trinity.	Give two Christian beliefs about Jesus' Incarnation.
4 mark	Explain two ways in which belief in the resurrection of Jesus influences Christians today.	Explain two ways in which the belief that God is just influences Christians today.	Explain two ways Jesus' crucifixion influences Christians today.	Explain two ways in which the belief in the Trinity influences Christians today.	Explain two ways in which belief in hell influences Christians today	Explain two ways in which belief about creation influences Christians.	Explain two ways in which belief in judgment by God influences Christians today.	Explain two ways in which the problem of evil and suffering influences Christians today.
5 mark	Explain two Christian teachings about judgement.	Explain two Christian teachings about the means of salvation.	Explain two Christian teachings about the incarnation	Explain two Christian beliefs about the causes of sin, refer to religious scripture	Explain two Christian beliefs about the role of Jesus Christ in salvation.	Explain two Christian teachings about sin.	Explain two Christian beliefs about the crucifixion of Jesus.	Explain two Christian teachings about life after death.
12 mark	'If God were loving there would be no suffering in the world.'	'The Bible tells Christians all they need to know about God's creation.'	'A loving God would not send anyone to hell.'	'God cannot be loving because people suffer.'	'The resurrection of the dead is the most important Christian belief.'	'For Christians, it is impossible to understand the nature of God.'	'For Christians, what the Bible says about creation is true.'	'Belief in Jesus is all that Christians need to be saved from sin.'

Christian Practice Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1 mark	Which one of the following is the sacrament that commemorates Jesus' last supper?	Which one of the following is not a way that Christians celebrate the festival of Easter?	Which one of the following is not part of the celebration of Christmas?	Which one of the following is a form of private worship?	Which one of the following is a name for a ceremony in which adults become members of the Christian Church?	Which one of the following is the saint most associated with Lourdes?	Which one of the following describes ill-treatment because of a person's religious beliefs?	Which one of the following describes the work of the Church in restoring broken relationships?
2 mark	Give two examples of the work of the Church in the local community.	Give two ways in which Christian churches respond to persecution.	Give two ways in which Christians might show their commitment to Church growth.	Give two ways in which the church helps Christians respond to persecution	Give two types of Christian prayer	Give two reasons why prayer is important for Christians.	Give two reasons why Church growth is important for Christians today.	Give two ways in which Christians celebrate Easter.
4 mark	Explain two contrasting ways in which the Eucharist is celebrated in Christianity.	Explain two contrasting examples of Christian pilgrimage.	Explain two contrasting views on Christian worship	Explain two contrasting examples of the work of the church in the local community	Explain two contrasting ways in which pilgrimage is experienced in Lourdes	Explain two contrasting ways that Christians can support food banks in the local community.	Explain two contrasting ways in which Christians work for reconciliation.	Explain two contrasting types of baptism.
5 mark	Explain two ways in which Christian street pastors carry out their Christian duty.	Explain two ways in which a worldwide Christian relief organisation carries out its mission overseas.	Explain two ways in which the worldwide church works for reconciliation.	Explain two reasons why celebrating holy communion is important for Christians.	Explain two reasons why evangelism is important for the Christian Church.	Explain two reasons why Christian churches help people who are being persecuted.	Explain two religious reasons why Christians celebrate Easter.	Explain two ways in which CAFOD or Christian Aid or Tearfund helps the poor.
12 mark	'The best way for Christians to reach an understanding of God is by practising prayer.'	'Private worship has more meaning for a Christian than public worship.'	'Infant baptism is not as important as believers baptism.'	'The Lord's prayers is the only prayer that Christians need to use.'	'Christmas is the most important Christian celebration.'	'The celebration of Holy communion (Eucharist) is the most important part of Christian life.'	'Only adults should be baptised into the Christian religion.'	'Following a set structure of worship is the best way for Christians to get close to God.'

Islam Beliefs and Teachings Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1 mark	Which one of the following best describes the meaning of Tawhid?	Which one of the following is the meaning of Adalat?	Which one of the following describes Muslim beliefs about life after death?	Which one of the following is not part of the Five Roots of Usul ad-Din in Shi'a Islam?	Which one of the following is one of the five roots of Usul ad-Din?	Which one of the following is the name of a prophet in Islam?	Which one of the following is not a holy book in Islam?	Which one of the following terms means that God is involved in the world?
2 mark	Give two of the Holy books, other than the Qur'an.	Give two angels that are mentioned in the Qur'an.	Name two articles of faith in Sunni Islam.	Give two Muslim beliefs about heaven	Give two reasons why the prophet Ibrahim is important in Islam.	Give two Muslim beliefs about the nature of God.	Give two beliefs about the Imamate in Shi'a Islam.	Give two Muslim beliefs about angels.
4 mark	Explain two ways in which a belief in life after death influences Muslims today.	Explain two ways in which belief about heaven and hell influence Muslims today.	Explain two ways in which belief in predestination influences Muslims today	Explain two ways in which belief in God's justice (Adalat) influences Muslims today	Explain two ways in which the authority of the Qur'an influences Muslims today.	Explain two ways in which belief in angels influences Muslims today.	Explain two ways in which the belief in God's mercy influences Muslims today.	Explain two ways in which the revelation of the Qur'an influences Muslims today.
5 mark	Explain two Muslim teachings about angels.	Explain two Muslim teachings about Tawhid (the Oneness of God).	Explain two Muslim beliefs about the role of prophets.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about the Imamate in Shi'a Islam.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about the nature of God.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about holy books.	Explain two reasons why angels are important in Islam.	Explain two Muslim beliefs about the Day of Judgement.
12 mark	'To describe God as 'omnipotent' is the best way to understand God.'	'For Muslims, Adam is a more important Prophet than Ibrahim.'	'The Qur'an is the only authority a Muslim needs in life.'	'Belief in angels is no longer relevant for Muslims in the modern world.'	'For Muslims, this life is more important than life after death.'	'To believe in the six articles of faith is the best way to please God.'	'In Islam, the Prophet Muhammad is the most important of all the prophets.'	'Tawhid (the oneness of God) is the most important Muslim belief.'

Islam Practice Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	203
1 mark	Which one of the following is the religious tax paid by Shi'a Muslims?	Which one of the following is the month in which Muslims must fast?	Which one of the following words describes the daily prayers that Muslims perform?	Which one of the following is the name given to the washing ritual performed before Salah (prayer)?	Which one of the following is not performed during the Hajj?	Which one of the following is not one of the Five Pillars of Islam?	Which one of the following words describes the struggle against evil in Islam?	Which one of the following is the name for Friday prayers in Islam?
2 mark	Give two ways in which Shi'a Muslims celebrate the festival of Ashura.	Give two rituals that Muslims perform during Salah.	Give two actions that Muslims perform during Hajj.	Give two Muslim practices that happen during Ramadan.	Give two of the Ten Obligatory Acts in Shi'a Islam.	Give two religious practices that Muslims perform on Jummah (Friday).	Give two reasons why Muslims give Zakah.	Give two ways in which a Muslim prepares for Salah (prayer).
4 mark	Explain two contrasting understandings of Jihad.	Explain two contrasting understandings of Salah.	Explain two contrasting Muslim beliefs about giving alms.	Explain two contrasting ways in which Muslims celebrate Ashura.	Explain two contrasting ways in which Muslims may perform Salah.	Explain two contrasting ways Muslims celebrate the Night of Power.	Explain two contrasting religious practices Muslims perform during Hajj.	Explain two contrasting ways in which Muslims celebrate Id-ul-Adha.
5 mark	Explain two ways in which the Ka'aba is important in the Muslim Hajj (pilgrimage).	Explain two ways in which the celebration of the festival of Eid-ul-Adha is important to Muslims.	Explain two ways in which Muslims celebrate the festival of Eid-ul-Fitr.	Explain two religious reasons why Muslims visit Makkah.	Explain two reasons why the Night of Power is important for Muslims.	Explain two Muslim understandings of Jihad.	Explain two reasons why Salah is important for Muslims.	Explain two reasons why Muslims give Zakah.
12 mark	'The best way for Muslims to understand God is to practise Salah.'	'Completing the hajj is the most important duty for a Muslim.'	'The Friday prayer (Jummah) is more important than the daily prayers.'	'The Shahadah (declaration of faith) is the most important pillar of Islam.'	'For Muslims, the best way to serve Allah is by giving charity.'	'Salah is more important than Hajj for Muslims today.'	'For Muslims, the most important festival is Id-ul-Fitr.'	'Following Muslim practices is difficult in the modern world.'

Relationships and Family Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1 mark	Which one of the following best expresses the religious view that one purpose of marriage is to have children?	Which one of the following describes the practice of having more than one wife?	Some religious believers may use methods to prevent a pregnancy taking place. Which one of the following describes that practice?	Which one of the following best describes a nuclear family?	Which one of the following means a man having more than one wife at the same time?	Which one of the following means the legal ending of a marriage?	Which one of the following is the meaning of the term procreation?	Which one of the following means an unmarried couple living together?
2 mark	Give two religious beliefs about the nature of the family.	Give two religious beliefs about the use of contraception.	Give two religious beliefs about same-sex marriage.	Give two religious teachings about gender discrimination.	Give two religious teachings about divorce.	Give two religious reasons given by believers to support the view that sex before marriage is wrong.	Give two teachings about the role of parents in a religious family.	Give two reasons why many religious believers accept remarriage.
4 mark	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about the use of artificial contraception within marriage.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about same-sex parents.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about the roles of men and women.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about unmarried couples living together (Cohabitation)	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about sexual relationships before marriage.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about the nature of marriage.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about contraception.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about gender equality.
5 mark	Explain two religious beliefs about the role of parents in a religious family.	Explain two religious beliefs about sexual relationships outside of marriage (adultery)	Explain two religious beliefs about divorce.	Explain two religious beliefs about the purpose of families.	Explain two religious views about same-sex parents.	Explain two religious beliefs about the roles of men and women.	Explain two religious beliefs about same-sex marriage.	Explain two religious beliefs about the role of children within the family,
12 mark	'Divorce is never right.'	'Men and women should not have equal rights.'	For religious believers, sexual relationships should take place only within marriage.'	'It is wrong to disapprove of homosexual relationships.'	'Gender discrimination is always wrong'	'The most important purpose of a family is to educate children in a faith.'	'Religious believers should never divorce.'	'Married couples should not use contraception.'

Religion and Life Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1 mark	Which one of the following is a religious theory about how the universe began?	Which one of the following is an argument against the existence of God?	Which one of the following means that human life is precious and sacred?	Which one of the following terms describes a religious duty to look after the world?	Which one of the following describes the religious belief that humans have authority to rule over the world?	Which one of the following describes a feeling of amazement at the complexity and beauty of the world?	Which one of the following terms explains how different species have changed and developed?	Which one of the following terms may be used when describing the general well-being of a person.
2 mark	Give two examples of what religious believers might do to help to carry out the duty of stewardship	Give two religious beliefs about pollution.	Give two reasons why some religious people do not eat meat.	Give two ways religious believers might help to reduce pollution	Give two reasons why many religious people use animals for food.	Give two ways that religious believers can help to protect the world's natural resources.	Give two reasons why many people experience awe and wonder when they look at the natural world.	Give two reasons why some religious people are against experimenting on animals.
4 mark	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about abortion.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about the use of animals for food.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about euthanasia.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about animal experimentation	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about euthanasia.	Explain two contrasting religious views about how the universe began.	Explain two similar religious beliefs in contemporary British Society that are used to oppose animal experimentation.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about an afterlife.
5 mark	Explain two religious beliefs about animal experimentation.	Explain two religious beliefs about the afterlife.	Explain two religious beliefs about how peoples' actions in this life affect what happens to them in the afterlife.	Explain two religious beliefs about how human life began on earth.	Explain two religious beliefs about the use of natural resources. Refer to sacred writings or another source of religious belief and teaching in your answer.	Explain two religious beliefs about the use of animals for food?	Explain two reasons why many religious people protect the environment.	Explain two reasons why many religious people believe they have a duty to look after the world.
12 mark	'It is not reasonable to believe in life after death.'	'Evolution proves that religious beliefs about the origins of life are wrong.'	'Abuse of the environment is impossible to stop.'	'Abortion should be allowed only when the mother's life is at risk.'	'It is possible to believe in both the Big Bang theory and religious teachings about the origins of the universe.'	'Death is not the end; there is an afterlife.'	'People who value and protect human life will be rewarded in the afterlife.'	'Euthanasia is never the best option'.

Peace & Conflict Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1 mark	Which one of the following best expresses the religious ideal that there should be no violence in the world?	Which one of the following is not a reason for war?	Which one of the following means to become friends again after a relationship has broken down?	Which one of the following gives the meaning of pacifism?	Which one of the following describes what is right and fair, as required by the law?	Which one of the following describes why having nuclear weapons might prevent war?	Which one of the following describes the unlawful use of violence against civilians?	Which one of the following best expresses the idea of accepting someone's apology for what they have done wrong?
2 mark	Give two ways in which religious believers help victims of war.	Give two religious beliefs that show that violence is wrong.	Give two reasons why many religious believers are against violent protest.	Give two ways that religious believers can work for peace.	Give two reasons why most religious people are against terrorism.	Give two of the criteria for a Just War.	Give two ways victims of war are helped by religious organisations.	Give two reasons why a conflict may be said to be a holy war.
4 mark	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about weapons of mass destruction.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about pacifism.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about nuclear weapons.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about reconciliation.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about pacifism.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about peace-making.	Explain two contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about violence.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about a country using weapons of mass destruction.
5 mark	Explain two religious beliefs about forgiveness.	Explain two religious beliefs about justice.	Explain two religious beliefs which show that all acts of terrorism are wrong.	Explain two reasons why religious people help victims of war.	Explain two reasons why some religious people support the just war theory.	Explain two religious beliefs about violent protest.	Explain two religious beliefs about justice.	Explain two reasons why some religious believers choose to work for an organisation that helps victims of war.
12 mark	'War is never right.'	'There are no good reasons for countries to possess nuclear weapons.'	War is the best way to solve problems between countries.'	'Religious believers should never fight in a war.'	'It is wrong for any country to have weapons of mass destruction.'	'Greed or just wanting a better life are never good reasons for going to war.'	'Being prepared to fight a war is the best way to keep peace.'	'All religious believers should be pacifists and never fight.'

Crime and Punishment Exam Questions

	Specimen 1	Specimen 2	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1 mark	Which one of the following expresses the religious idea that one aim of punishment should be to encourage people not to commit any more crimes?	Which one of the following is not a reason for crime? Poverty sanctity of life Mental illness greed	Which one of the following is not an aim of punishment?	Which one of the following means to punish criminals by inflicting physical pain on them?	Which one of the following do religious believers regard as an evil intention?	Which one of the following suggests that an action is right	Which one of the following is not a reason for crime?	Which one of the following aims of punishment can be described as taking revenge?
2 mark	Give two examples of religious moral laws which some criminals break.	Give two religious beliefs about forgiveness.	Give two causes of crime.	Give two of the aims of punishment.	Give two reasons why some religious people may break the law.	Give two reasons why religious believers oppose hate crimes.	Give two reasons why many religious people support the use of prison as a punishment.	Give two different types of crime.
4 mark	Explain two contrasting beliefs in contemporary British society about the death penalty for murder.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about people who break the law.	Explain two similar religious beliefs about the use of community service as a punishment.	Explain two contrasting religious views about how people who commit a crime because of an addiction should be treated.	Explain two contrasting religious views in contemporary British society about the use of corporal punishment.	Explain two contrasting views about theft (stealing).	Explain two similar beliefs in contemporary British society about the importance of forgiveness.	Explain two contrasting religious views about the treatment of people who have committed evil actions.
5 mark	Explain two religious beliefs about breaking the law in order to get a bad law changed.	Explain two religious beliefs about the death penalty.	Explain two religious beliefs which show that all hate crimes are wrong	Explain two religious reasons why some people are against the death penalty.	Explain two religious beliefs about forgiveness.	Explain two religious beliefs about reforming people who have broken the law.	Explain two religious views about the crime of murder.	Explain two reasons why some religious believers might break the law.
12 mark	'Corporal punishment can never be justified.'	'Reformation is the best aim of punishment.'	'The death penalty should never be used.'	'There is nothing wrong with sending a criminal to prison.'	'Deterring people from committing crime is the best aim of punishment.'	'Religious believers should never agree with corporal punishment.'	'Religious people should always obey the law.'	'Community service does not punish the criminal enough.'