

Year 11 RS Revision Evening

How to support your child
with answering a A02
GCSE 12 mark question

Model a 12 mark answer

RS Exam overview

Paper 1 - The Study of Religions

- Christian Beliefs and Teachings
- Christian Practices
- Islamic Beliefs and Teachings
- Islamic Practices

Paper 2 - Thematic Studies

- Crime and Punishment
- Religion and Relationships
- Religion, Peace and Conflict
- Religion and Life

Outline of the paper

1. 1 mark question
2. 1 mark question
3. 4 mark question
4. 6 mark question
5. 12 mark question

2025 Past Paper Question

Paper: Christian Practices

02.5

'Helping in the local community is the most important role of the Church.'

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

- refer to Christian teaching
- give reasoned arguments to support this statement
- give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
- reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]

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outside the
box*

Target: AO2 Analyse and evaluate aspects of religion and belief, including significance and influence

Level	Criteria	Marks
4	A well-argued response, reasoned consideration of different points of view. Logical chains of reasoning leading to judgement(s) supported by knowledge and understanding of relevant evidence and information. References to religion applied to the issue.	10–12
3	Reasoned consideration of different points of view. Logical chains of reasoning that draw on knowledge and understanding of relevant evidence and information. Clear reference to religion.	7–9
2	Reasoned consideration of a point of view. A logical chain of reasoning drawing on knowledge and understanding of relevant evidence and information. OR Recognition of different points of view, each supported by relevant reasons/evidence. Maximum of Level 2 if there is no reference to religion.	4–6
1	Point of view with reason(s) stated in support.	1–3
0	Nothing worthy of credit.	0

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG)

Spelling, punctuation and grammar will be assessed in 12-mark questions.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) will be assessed against the following criteria:

Level	Performance descriptor	Marks awarded
High performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learners spell and punctuate with consistent accuracy.• Learners use rules of grammar with effective control of meaning overall.• Learners use a wide range of specialist terms as appropriate.	3
Intermediate performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learners spell and punctuate with considerable accuracy.• Learners use rules of grammar with general control of meaning overall.• Learners use a good range of specialist terms as appropriate.	2
Threshold performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learners spell and punctuate with reasonable accuracy.• Learners use rules of grammar with some control of meaning and any errors do not significantly hinder meaning overall.• Learners use a limited range of specialist terms as appropriate.	1
No marks awarded	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The learner writes nothing.• The learner's response does not relate to the question.• The learner's achievement in SPaG does not reach the threshold performance level, for example errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar severely hinder meaning.	0

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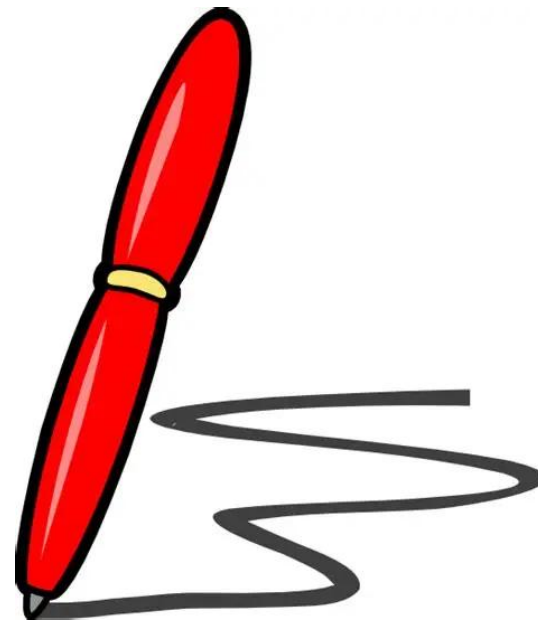
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12/12

SPAG - 2/3

Target

SPAG marks -
Capital letter for
Bible.

Any questions?

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