St Mary's School
CAMBRIDGE

Lower Sixth
Theology
Sample Entrance Examination

Time allowed: 60 minutes

Name: _____

INSTRUCTIONS :

- **Answer TWO questions (parts a & b)**
- **You should spend about 25 minutes on each question**
- **Dictionaries or reference materials are forbidden**

Question 1 a) Explain different Christian attitudes to euthanasia. (6)

b) "It can never be right to take a life."
Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific Christian teaching in your answer. (12)
(SPaG 2)

or

Question 1 a) Explain different attitudes of followers of one major world religion to euthanasia. (6)

b) "It can never be right to take a life."
Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific teaching of one major world religion in your answer.
(12)
(SPaG 2)

Question 2 a) Explain Christian teaching on the morality of war. (6)

b) "It is never right to fight in war."
Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific Christian teaching in your answer. (12)
(SPaG 2)

or

Question 2 a) Explain the teaching of one major world religion on the morality of war. (6)

b) "It is never right to fight in war."
Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific teaching of one major world religion in your answer.
(12)
(SPaG 2)

Question 3 a) Explain Christian teachings that might lead believers to be concerned to relieve suffering in developing countries. (6)

b) "Humans have the right to treat animals how we wish." Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific Christian teaching in your answer. (12)
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(SPaG 2)

Question 4 a) Explain how beliefs about life after death could affect a Christian's moral behaviour. (6)

b) "Prayer is more important than action." Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific Christian teaching in your answer. (12)
(SPaG 2)

or

Question 4 a) Explain how beliefs about life after death could affect the moral behaviour of a follower of one major world religion. (6)

b) "Prayer is more important than action." Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific teaching of one major world religion in your answer. (12)
(SPaG 2)

Question 5 a) Explain why a Christian believer might say that suffering is a necessary part of life. (6)

b) "Belief in religious experience cannot prove God's existence." Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific Christian teaching in your answer. (12)

(SPaG 2)

or

Question 5 a) Explain why a follower of one major world religion might say that suffering is a necessary part of life. (6)

b) "Belief in religious experience cannot prove God's existence." Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific teaching of one major world religion in your answer. (12)

(SPaG 2)

Question 6 a) Explain how prayer deepens the faith of a Christian. (6)

b) "It doesn't matter where you worship." Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific Christian teaching in your answer. (12)

(SPaG 2)

or

Question 6 a) Explain how prayer deepens the faith of a follower of one major world religion. (6)

b) "It doesn't matter where you worship." Discuss this statement. Include a variety of possible points of view and your own personal response. Refer to specific teaching of one major world religion in your answer. (12)

(SPaG 2)