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## **NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

### **GRADE 12**

### **RELIGION STUDIES P2**

### **FEBRUARY/MARCH 2009**

**MARKS: 150**

**TIME: 2 hours**

**This question paper consists of 4 pages.**

### **INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. Answer THREE of the five questions.
2. Read ALL the questions carefully.
3. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
4. Write neatly and legibly.

**QUESTION 1**

Discuss the following concepts in the context of religion:

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|-----|------------|-------------|
| 1.1 | Identity   | (20)        |
| 1.2 | Uniqueness | (20)        |
| 1.3 | Unity      | (10)        |
|     |            | <b>[50]</b> |

**QUESTION 2**

Select any ONE religion and discuss it in terms of the following:

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|-----|------------------------------------|-------------|
| 2.1 | The nature of divinity             | (10)        |
| 2.2 | The nature of the world            | (10)        |
| 2.3 | The place of humanity in the world | (10)        |
| 2.4 | The origin of evil                 | (10)        |
| 2.5 | Life after death                   | (10)        |
|     |                                    | <b>[50]</b> |

**QUESTION 3**

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| 3.1 | Identify and analyse ONE social problem (such as HIV/Aids, xenophobia, crime, poverty, substance abuse).   | (10)        |
| 3.2 | Explain the beliefs and approaches of various religions relevant to the problem identified in QUESTION 3.1.  | (20)        |
| 3.3 | Discuss the practical steps that may be undertaken by faith-based organisations of various religions to address the social problem identified in QUESTION 3.1. | (20)        |
|     |  | <b>[50]</b> |

**QUESTION 4**

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| 4.1 | Discuss the concept <i>teaching</i> and examine its role in different religions.  | (30)        |
| 4.2 | Analyse ONE secular world view (such as secular humanism, agnosticism, atheism) and show how it relates in essence to religion. | (20)        |
|     |   | <b>[50]</b> |

**QUESTION 5**

- 5.1 Discuss the concepts *oral tradition* and *sacred books* in the context of different religions. (20)
- 5.2 Select any ONE religion and explain some hermeneutical principles of interpreting its normative source (s). (30)
- [50]**
- TOTAL: 150**