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# Level 1 Religious Studies RAS 2023

# 91918 Demonstrate understanding of a characteristic of religious or spiritual traditions

# EXEMPLAR

Achievement



Exam Overview

## Page 1 – Pilot Assessment

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Answer ONE of the questions below. Space for planning your answer is provided below.

#### **QUESTIONS** (Choose ONE)

- Learning about religious and spiritual beliefs helps us to develop understanding. How do the key beliefs of two different religious or spiritual traditions influence behaviour in daily life?
- 2. Some religious and spiritual traditions use material expression, such as art and icons. Compare views about material expression in two different religious or spiritual practices.
- **3.** Narratives of religious and spiritual traditions often contain a message of hope. How do narratives from two different religious or spiritual traditions offer ways of helping people to get through life's challenges?

#### SELECTED QUESTION

Copy and paste the question you have chosen into the space below.

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#### PLANNING

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Beliefs:

Islamic:

- holy books (Quran & Hadar)

- 1 God

Catholic:

- Everyone is made in the image of God
- Incaranation (God is fully human, fully God)
- holy book (bible)

#### EXTENDED RESPONSE

Type your extended response in the space below. You should aim to write a concise answer of up to 800 words. You must answer using paragraphs. The quality of your writing is more important than the length of your answer. (The counter will change colour when you reach the recommended word count.)

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The key beliefs from the Islamic religion is holy books which are the Quran and Hadar, and the key beliefs in the Catholic religion is the belief that everyone is made in the image of God. Beliefs and morals help people understand who they are and what they believe in through the beliefs, morals and values that one holds. It is used to help understand why you believe in certain beliefs and how you are able to use them in your daily lives. Both key beliefs within the religions influence behaviour in our daily life because it helps people develop an understanding in not only themselves but to also understand why God makes certain decisions for us and why. The Quran and Hadar are considered holy books within the Islamic religion and is used to tell the story of their God. By being made in the image of God, it allows everyone to feel loved, safe and accepted in who they are, and to love one another like God loved us.

The holy books which are the Quran and Hadar, help influence behaviour in daily life because it is a guide line for Islamic people to follow the ways of their God and to do right by him and with him, so therefore it allows them to live their live accordingly and to serve their God and people. This is the same with the bible in the catholic religion, it shows people how Jesus lived and how he died, and it explains that if someone is a true believer, that they should live by what the bible says and to serve the lord as well as the people around you. The key belief of the catholic religion that everyone is made in the image of God influences behaviour in daily life because this belief allows everyone to feel accepted and loved by God. This key belief shows everyone that we are all the same and equal and that God does not love us differently, although some people may have things that we want, or that we are currently struggling and what we want, somebody else has, God has perfect timing and if you really need it you will receive it. Believing that everyone is made in the image of God can also help those who are struggling with finding their self worth, self love and acceptance. It can help them by living by what it says in the bible. By living by what the bible says, it allows and can help people feel more welcome and accepted into God's kingdom with open arms allowing and letting them feel accepted, which is why a key belief in the catholic religion is that everyone is made in the image of God.

The key beliefs from both the Islamic religion and the Catholic religion are very similar in ways of beliefs, morals and values. Both religions believe in the same type of concept but some part of it are very different. Some beliefs that both religions have in common is the holy books, which are the Quran and Hadar, and the Bible. The Catholic and Islamic religion both show aspects of true faith by following what the bible, Quran and Hadar says. Reading the holy books allows people to become closer with not only themselves by with their God and it is a way for people to see the true and pure love that our God had for us. For most people, the key beliefs within your religion. Having beliefs, morals and values from either catholic religion or Islamic religion can help influence behaviour in our daily life. It can build who you are, what you believe in, your beliefs, morals and values and a developed understanding in not only yourself but in God as well. Through reading the holy books, following the 5 pillars, believing in incarnation and more, which are beliefs from both the catholic and Islamic religions, it allows you to become closer to God and to have a good understanding of who you are and what you believe in.

702 WORDS / 800 RECOMMENDED

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## Achievement

# Subject: Religious Studies

Standard: 91918

### Total score: 04

Q	Grade score	Marker commentary
One	A4	The candidate has provided a detailed, relevant example of a characteristic of Islam and Catholicism, and has described its meaning within the two traditions. There was some attempt at application, but specific details and evidence were omitted.