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THE WEST AFRICAN EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL
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ESSAY AND OBJECTIVE

1 hour 45 minutes

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so. While you are waiting, read and observe the following instructions carefully. Write your name and index number in ink in the spaces provided above.

This booklet consists of two papers. Answer Paper 2 which comes first, in your answer booklet and Paper 1 on your Objective Test answer sheet. Paper 2 will last 1 hour after which the answer booklet will be collected. Do not start Paper 1 until you are told to do so. Paper 1 will last 45 minutes.

Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly presentation of material.

This paper consists of two sections: A and B. Answer three questions in all. Answer question one from section A and any other two questions from section B.

All questions carry equal marks. Answer all the questions in your answer booklet. Credit will be given for clarity of expression and orderly presentation of material.

SECTION A COMPULSORY

1. Ali and Kwame worked together at a government office. One day, Mr Adu offered Ali a large sum of money to speed up the approval of a permit for his project. Although the money was tempting, Ali was not sure if he should accept it. Ali is seeking your advise as a friend:
- (a) Explain to Ali **four** reasons for which he should **not** accept Mr Adu's offer; [12 marks]
- (b) In your opinion, what **four** factors may cause Ali to accept Mr Adu's offer? [8 marks]

SECTION B

Answer two questions only from this section.

2. Kofi was raised by his grandmother who was the spiritual leader of the village. She was always fond of teaching Kofi about the importance of their tradition including sacrifice. According to her, sacrifices are made on special occasions. On one of the occasions, Kofi accompanied her to perform the sacrifice. As a student of Religious and Moral Education:
- (a) List **four** items Kofi and his grandmother were **likely** to carry with them for the sacrifice; [4 marks]
- (b) State **four** of those special occasions that required sacrifice by the teachings of Kofi's grandmother; [4 marks]
- (c) Highlight **four** importance of sacrifices Kofi might have learnt from his grandmother. [12 marks]
3. Abu was excited as the month of Ramadan had just come to an end and it was time to celebrate Idul Fitr. Soon after, Abu's family began preparing for the celebration of Idul Ad-ha. Abu became curious . asked his father how different Idul Fitr is from Idul Ad-ha and what these festivals meant to Muslims. As someone who has studied religious festivals:
- (a) Outline **four** differences Abu's father is **likely** to tell him about the two festivals; [12 marks]
- (b) Explain to Abu **four** reasons why **both** festivals are important to Muslims. [8 marks]
4. At an annual festival, two music groups were invited to perform. One group sang about faith, hope and trust in God. The other group sang songs that celebrated kindness, unity and the beauty of life. After the event, the teacher asked the students to think about the differences they observed between the two types of songs performed and what they learnt from them. As one of the students at the event:
- (a) Identify **four** differences your teacher is expecting you to give on the two types of songs performed at the event? [12 marks]
- (b) Explain to other students who were not at the event **four** lessons you learnt while listening to the songs. [8 marks]
5. (a) Narrate the creation story as found in the Bible. [12 marks]
- (b) Explain **four** ways humans can protect God's creation. [8 marks]

END OF ESSAY TEST

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PAPER 1
OBJECTIVE TEST

45 minutes

Answer all the questions on your Objective Test answer sheet.

1. Use 2B pencil throughout.
2. On the pre-printed answer sheet, check that the following details are correctly printed: Your surname followed by your other names, the Subject Name, your Index Number, Centre Number and the Paper Code.
3. In the boxes marked Candidate Number, Centre Number and Paper Code, reshade each of the shaded spaces.
4. An example is given below. This is for a male candidate whose name is Daniel Nii DOTSEY. His index number is 772384188 and he is writing the examination at Centre Number 77234. He is offering Religious and Moral Education 1 and the Paper Code is 0221.

**THE WEST AFRICAN EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL, GHANA
BASIC EDUCATION CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION
OBJECTIVE ANSWER SHEET**

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1. Use 2B pencil, Press firmly.
2. Answer each question by choosing one letter and then, shade through the letter chosen like this A B C D E
3. If you want to change an answer, erase your first mark completely.
4. If any four alternative answers are given for each question, ignore the letter E.
5. Your question paper may have fewer than 60 questions.

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Answer **all** the questions.

Each question is followed by four options lettered **A** to **D**. Find the **correct** option for each question and shade **in pencil** on your answer sheet the space which bears the same letter as the option you have chosen. Give only **one** answer to each question. An example is given below.

The last book of the Bible is

- A. John
- B. Romans
- C. Revelation
- D. Jude

The correct answer is **Revelation**, which is lettered **C** and therefore answer space **C** would be shaded.

[A]

[B]

~~[C]~~

[D]

Think carefully before you shade the answer spaces; erase completely **any** answer you wish to change.

Do all rough work in this question paper.

Now answer the following questions.

1. In what way do religious songs influence a person's spiritual growth? They
 - A. help people memorize religious text.
 - B. serve as a form of entertainment.
 - C. encourage reflection and soberness.
 - D. are performed during important occasions.
2. In which of the following ways can a father show commitment to the family?
 - A. Being punctual at work
 - B. Being steadfast at prayers
 - C. Providing the needs of dependents
 - D. Participating in community service
3. Which of the following is an effect of substance abuse on the individual?
 - A. High academic performance
 - B. Spiritual growth
 - C. Good health
 - D. Ill- health
4. Adjoa is curious about why God created the sun, moon and stars. Which of the following is the **most** appropriate response for the teacher to offer? God created them
 - A. to impress human.
 - B. just for decoration.
 - C. to show off His creativity.
 - D. to tell time and season.
5. Which of the following options best explains decent dressing? Dressing in
 - A. a way that is stylish
 - B. a way that is modest
 - C. latest trends
 - D. bright colours
6. Which of the following attributes best explains the proverb *If you want to talk to God, talk to the wind?* God's
 - A. Omnipotence
 - B. Omniscience
 - C. Omnipresence
 - D. Eternity
7. Idul Fitr is best explained in one of the following: It
 - A. marks the beginning of the Islamic new year.
 - B. marks the end of Ramadan and a time for thanksgiving.
 - C. is observed only by those who fast for 40 days.
 - D. is a holiday exclusively celebrated in Muslim communities.
8. What is the purpose of prayer of supplication in Christianity? To
 - A. sing praises to God
 - B. thank God for the gift of life
 - C. ask God for assistance
 - D. intercede for others

9. When analyzing the character of Egya Ahor, which pairs of virtues mostly explains his ability as a leader?
- Wisdom and patience
 - Kindness and humility
 - Generosity and strength
 - Courage and patriotism
10. You are coaching a small business owner who just experienced a setback in product development. What attitude would be most beneficial for them to adopt in order to turn the situation around?
- Give up on the current product and start a new one.
 - Blame external factors and wait for things to improve on their own.
 - Focus solely on reducing cost without considering consumer feedback.
 - Accept the failure, learn from experience and stay resilient.
11. Walking backwards by the Ewes to escape from King Agokoli was an act of
- betrayal.
 - indifference.
 - patriotism.
 - intelligence.
12. A young worker just started contributing to the Social Security and National Insurance Trust (SSNIT) Pension Scheme and is curious about how it will benefit him in future. How would you explain the major aim of the scheme to this worker? The scheme
- is designed to provide a one-time lump sum upon retirement.
 - helps workers continue receiving a monthly income upon retirement.
 - is intended to offer workers training programs during retirement.
 - guarantees a job placement for retirees.
13. Which of the following would be the least likely reason to celebrate festivals? To
- promote understanding and unity
 - mark important cultural events
 - settle personal scores
 - strengthen relationship within families
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14. Evans used to prefer playing with boys when he was younger, but now as an adolescent, he finds himself more comfortable spending time with girls. If you were a counselor, how would you address this change in behaviour?
- Suggest the adolescent avoid interacting with the opposite sex
 - Recommend the adolescent only form friends with his family
 - Encourage the adolescent to suppress the feeling
 - Encourage the adolescent to explore their emotional changes and how it affects their behaviour
15. A family is considering returning their deceased relative's hair, finger nails and toenails to their home town for burial. As a cultural advisor, how would you explain the importance of this practice to them? It is
- a way to ensure the deceased is physically separated from the community.
 - to honour the deceased's spirit and maintain their connection to their homeland.
 - a form of punishment to the deceased for dying outside his home.
 - a custom that promotes development.
16. In what way does society benefit when people from different religious background interact? It
- leads to more arguments between the groups.
 - forces people to change their religious beliefs.
 - reduces misunderstanding and encourages mutual respect.
 - results in people abandoning their tradition.
17. A significant lesson learnt from Togbe Tsali's life is the importance of
- gaining wealth through trade.
 - prioritizing military dominance.
 - standing against oppression and protecting one's people.
 - striving for academic and professional excellence.

18. How does the statement *there is no god but Allah* in the Shahada helps Muslims shape their beliefs and actions? It
- reminds Muslims to fast during Ramadan.
 - teaches Muslims to believe in one God.
 - tells Muslims they must go on a pilgrimage.
 - tells Muslims to pray five times daily.
19. In what way does the act of sprinkling *Kpokpoi* by the Gas during the *Homowo* festivals demonstrate their cultural values? It
- marks the start of the harvest season.
 - is a way to honour their ancestors and ask for blessing.
 - shows the end of the festival with celebrations.
 - shows the creation of wealth in the community.
20. What is the **main** reason for administering punishment when someone commits an offence? To
- embarrass the offender
 - make the offender pay for their actions
 - deter others from committing similar acts
 - satisfy the anger of the victim
21. Which of the following activities does **not** belong to the typical ways of spending leisure time?
- Reading a book for relaxation
 - Participating in a sport event
 - Working on a project to meet deadline
 - Watching a movie for entertainment
22. Which of the following explains a common occurrence in decision making in the extended family?
- Everyone always agrees
 - Many opinions can cause delay and conflict
 - Decisions are always made quickly
 - Only one person makes the decision
23. In which of the following parables does Jesus illustrate the idea that good and bad people live together and that judgment should be left to God?
- Good Samaritan
 - Mustard seed
 - Dishonest servant
 - Wheat and tares
24. Which of the following would be the **best** way to design a project that encourages people to tolerate and respect different opinions in a community?
- Organizing a debate where each side argues for their own opinion
 - Hosting a meeting where only one group shares their opinion
 - Designing an art exhibition that shows only one perspective on important social issues
 - Creating a social media campaign that highlights the benefits of listening to others view point
25. In Islam, which practice encourages those with wealth to show concern for the poor and needy in the society?
- Hajj
 - Salat
 - Sawn
 - Zakat
26. Under which condition was Umar's conversion into Islam made possible?
- His attempt to kill Ali
 - His sister's earlier acceptance of Islam
 - The impact of the Prophet's teachings
 - The effect of the wicked deeds of the people
27. Why is it important for the youth to display courteous behaviour? It
- is a sign of accepting responsibility.
 - shows that they are educated.
 - helps create a peaceful society.
 - makes others see them as easy to control.

28. Which of these actions would **best** help in developing a strong work ethic?
- Reporting bad people to the police
 - Planning one's work ahead of time
 - Increasing one's output at work
 - Contributing to national development
29. When comparing religious and non-religious songs, which of the following would best explain the commonality between them? Both
- are created to express personal beliefs and opinions.
 - often focus on promoting specific political agenda.
 - act as media for story telling and emotional expression.
 - are only performed in a religious setting.
30. In what way does God's creation support human life? By
- plants giving us food, oxygen and medicine
 - mountains serving only as beautiful scenery
 - rivers irrigating our farmlands and for fun activities.
 - animals providing companionship to humans
31. Which of the following options can **best** check bribery and corruption in society?
- Payment of good salaries
 - Advocacy for a just and equitable society
 - Easy access to loans and credit facilities
 - Availability of Jobs
32. Which of the following explains why leisure is important for a person's well-being? It
- establishes social connections only.
 - reduces stress and allied health conditions.
 - supports only the sick.
 - encourages people to spend on entertainment.
33. Which of the following is the **main** reason for which people save money? To
- donate to the needy
 - contribute to revenue generation
 - pay for daily expenses
 - secure the future
34. Halima is remembered in Islamic history because she
- played a key role in spreading Islam.
 - was Muhammad's wet nurse.
 - was the mother of an Islamic scholar.
 - was the mother of the faithfuls
35. Which of the following strategies is **least** effective in preventing drug abuse?
- Rejecting drugs when offered
 - Following one's religious teachings
 - Exercising the body regularly
 - Avoiding the company of bad friends
36. In an indigenous African society where they are faced with an outbreak of drought and diseases, which of the following actions would a leader **most** likely take?
- Encourage the community to conserve resources
 - Seek immediate assistance from government
 - Offer sacrifices and perform rituals to ask for divine help
 - Declare days of fasting and prayers
37. Which of the following preparations towards marriage helps remove fear and build trust among the would-be couple?
- Discussing each partner's career goals
 - Conducting a thorough background check on each other.
 - Ignoring each other's past life.
 - Keeping future plans vague to avoid disagreement.
38. What does it mean when we say God is Omniscient? God knows
- only what happens in the future.
 - everything that happens at all times.
 - only what happens in the present.
 - only about the actions of humans.
39. How does rules and regulations in schools benefit students? They
- make sure daily routines are followed.
 - help create a safe space for learning.
 - ensure only best students are rewarded.
 - give teaches control over students.

A couple is planning to marry according to Islamic law and wants to make sure they fulfill all necessary requirements. What should they do to ensure the marriage is valid?

- A. Both parties must undergo a medical check-up.
- B. Both parties must submit a formal declaration.
- C. The marriage must be witnessed by at least two Muslim witnesses.
- D. They must have a pre-marriage counseling.

END OF PAPER