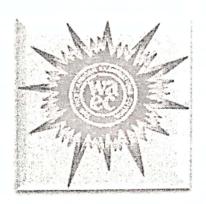
# THE WEST AFRICAN EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL



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#### Head note

Mere mention of points = 1 mark

Meaningful statement of points without explanation = 2 marks

Statement of points with explanations with good examples or illustrations = full marks
Definition of concepts without explanation or examples(s) = 2 marks

#### SECTION A RELIGION

Answer one question only from this section.

## Q1. (a) God's covenant with Abraham

- i. At the age of 75, God asked Abram to leave his country and family for the land of Canaan.
- ii. Abram was promised many descendants who would become a great nation.
- iii. God will bless Abram and promised to make him famous.
- God told Abram He will bless those who bless him and curse those who curse him.
- v. Abram built an altar and worshipped God.
- vi. God promised Abram of His divine protection and a great deal of rewards.
- vii. Abram however became worried because he did not have a child of his own.
- viii. Then God promised to give Abram a child.
- ix. God asked Abram to perform a sacrifice as a sign that the promise would be fulfilled.
- x. Abram had a dream which revealed that his descendants would be strangers in a foreign land and forced into slavery for 400 years after which they will have their freedom.
- xi. Abram was promised long life.
- xii. God told Abram to be obedient to Him and lead a blameless life.
- xiii. God further promised Abram that He would make him fruitful and great i.e. Abram would be the father of multitude of nations.
- xiv. God changed Abram's name to Abraham.
- xv. God sent angels to Abraham's wife to inform her she would give birth to a son in her old age.
- xvi. The covenant God had with Abraham was extended to all his descendants.
- xvii. Abraham and his descendants were instructed to institute circumcision for every male child and new born on the 8<sup>th</sup> day.
- xviii. The Lord revealed Himself to Abram again at the age of ninety-nine (99) and declared that He was the almighty God.

## (b) Lessons to be learnt from God's covenant with Abraham

- i. God is Almighty/ Powerful.
- ii. God must be respected for His greatness
- iii. God has the power to decide who he chooses to fulfil his plans
- iv. God is gracious He provides for our needs
- v. God is ready to fulfil all His promises to humankind
- vi. God decides who to call and use to achieve His aims
- vii. God can change a person's personality and situations.
- viii. Obedience to God attracts blessings
- ix. We have patience and wait on God to solve our problems
- x. Faith and trust are necessary for our interactions with God

3 points  $\times 2 = 6$  points Total = 20 marks

#### Q2. (a) The Story of Hogbetsotso festival

i. Hogbetsotso means coming out of one's home.

ii. Hogbetsotso is a historical festival of the Anlos speaking Ewes of the Volta Region to honour their ancestors

iii. It is celebrated in the first week of November to commemorate the Anlos' departure from Notsie.

iv. The Anlo-Ewes believed that they migrated to Ille-Efe in Nigeria and later came to settle in Notsie in Togoland.

v. At Notsie, they came under a wicked king called Agokorli.

vi. King Agokorli ill-treated them so much that the Anlos became fed up

- vii. The king persecuted them with making ropes and clay bricks mixed up with broken bottles and thorns to hurt them.
- viii. A wall was built to fortify the city
- ix. In order to escape from Notsie, the Anlos decided pouring waste water against the wall of the fortified city.
- x. One day king Agokorli asked the Anlos to entertain him. During the entertainment Togbe Tsali caused the King and his cohort to fall into a deep sleep.
- xi. The people then succeeded in making a hole into the wall through which they escaped.
- xii. They escaped walking backwards in order to confuse Agokorli and his men.
- xiii. When the Anlos finally settled at their present homes, they decided to celebrate this festival to remind them of their escape from Notsic and the freedom gained 7 points  $\times 2 = 14$  marks



#### (b) Reasons for the celebration of festivals

- i. To thank God, the gods and ancestors for favours granted them
- ii. To appreciate and promote our culture and tradition
- iii. To promote family reunion and socialization
- iv. To purify the community
- v. To show respect and allegiance to traditional authority
- vi. To promote tourism
- vii. To show reconciliation
- viii. To remember past events and personalities
- ix. To address developmental problems.
- x. To ask for God's blessings and guidance
- xi. To mark the beginning or end of the year.

3 points  $\times$  2 = 6 marks Total = 20 marks

#### Q3. (a) Forms of divination in Traditional Religion

- i. Ordeal- It is an attempt of proving the innocence or guilt of the accuser and the suspect. Both are made to drink a concoction or dip hands into a boiling oil to establish the truth when not hurt.
- ii. Mirror Gazing Here, gazing at the mirror, the diviner proceeds to supply answers to the problem of the client.
- iii. Water Gazing Here the diviner gazes into a bowl of water with various kinds of herbs, cowries, shells, beads and stones and provides solution, cure or answers to the problem.
- iv. Palmistry A diviner can look into the palms of a client and tell him/ her about the past, present and the future.
- v. From Nature Observations of certain changes or events which occur in nature reveals the future. Sight of falling stats, eclipse of the moon/ sun, whales being washed ashore, new moon, phases of the moon, lightening etc. are interpreted as signs of misfortunes or blessings, movement of animals and birds.
- vi. Spirit of the dead (Necromancy) Invocations of spirits of dead persons to reveal their causes of death and how their properties should be shared.
- vii. Dreams/ visions Dreams and visions are believed to be a means by which the gods deliver messages to men. Dreams therefore convey messages about the past, present and future to people from gods or ancestors.
- viii. By spirit possession Divinities and spirits of the dead can possess people to reveal events or cause of death or dangers to be averted. Spirit possession implies mediums, priests, medicine men being possessed by spirits forces to foretell the future.
  - ix. Involuntary movement within the humand body eg. Palm iching, sneezing, unconscious stumbling etc.

2 points  $\times$  4 = 8 marks



## (b) Reasons for consulting the gods

- i. To seek knowledge of the past, present and future.
- ii. It brings worshippers closer to their object of worship.
- iii. To get the mind of the gods on certain actions of individuals or the community.
- iv. To find explanations for that which is inexplicable e.g. causes of death / disasters etc.
- v. To get remedy to some diseases/make a request
- vi. To receive psychological satisfaction as certain revealed actions are carried out to avert the mishaps.
- vii. To gain fore-knowledge about ventures to be undertaken.
- viii. To establish the truth in order to exonerate the innocent and punish the guilty.
- ix. To unearth hidden secrets, treasures and minerals.
- x. To seek for protection from the gods.

4 points  $\times$  3 = 12 marks Total = 20 marks

#### SECTION B MORAL LIFE

Answer one question only from this section.

## Q4. (a) Ways students show commitment to friends

- i. Protecting each other's interest
- ii. Studying together and supporting each other academically
- iii. Contributing to each other's welfare
- iv. Sharing ideas and resources together
- v. Being honest with each other without pretense
- vi. Not speaking evil about each other
- vii. Being tolerant of each other's views
- viii. Remaining faithful to each other
- ix. Sharing one's joy and sorrow with each other

4 points  $\times$  2 = 8 marks

## (b) Reasons for which one must show commitment to friends

- i. It is a commandment from God.
- ii. Showing remorse regret/Apolosing for the wrong done.
- iii. It attracts blessings from God
- iv. It prevents misunderstanding and conflict among friends.
- v. It brings about tolerance and acceptance of one's views

- vi. Commitment brings peace, harmony and unity.
- vii. It attracts respect and love from each other.
- viii. It enables friends to work together to achieve common goals.
  - ix. It gives the individual a sense of satisfaction and inner joy.

4 points  $\times$  3 = 12 marks

Total = 20 marks

#### Q5. (a) Reasons for which people show appreciation

- i. It serves as motivation to people
- ii. It serves as encouragement for doing good deeds
- iii. It is a requirement from God
- iv. It helps to increase productivity
- v. Appreciation is a good moral value
- vi. It helps to build relationships
- vii. It enhances peace and harmony
- viii. It ensures hard work

4 points  $\times 3 = 12$  marks

#### (b) Ways of showing repentance

- i. Owning up the bad deed by confessing and admitting the offence
- ii. Showing remorse or regret/Apologing for the wrong done.
- iii. Accepting to correct the wrong deed.
- iv. Avoiding shifting of blame
- v. Requesting for pardon and forgiveness
- vi. Making amends for the wrong deed
- vii. Making a resolution not to repeat one's action
- viii. By becoming a changed person

ix. Itales items still in one's power 4 points × 2 = 8 marks sian slould be refuse items destroyed Total = 20 marks should be repair or replace.

## O6. (a) Reasons for which dishonest acts must be avoided

- i. For the promotion of peace and order
- ii. For the achievement of goals and tasks
- iii. For the prevention of punishment

- iv. It can bring physical pains
- v. When reprimanded, it can cause emotional pain
- vi. To avoid disgrace and embarrassment
- vii. To gain societed approval /respect
- viii. It is a command from God/It is religious requirement
- ix. To promote trustworthiness
- x. To avoid curse

4 points  $\times$  3 = 12 marks

#### (b) Effects of substance abuse

- i. Health issues it damages the brain/madness
- ii. It causes mood swing
- iii. It causes physical changes to the body
- iv. It stimulates frustration and danger
- v. It causes marriages to breakdown
- vi. Loss of employment
- vii. Imprisonment
- viii. Loss of respect
- ix. Loss of relationship
- x. School dropout/Teenage Pregnancy
- xi. Homelessness
- xii. Financial problems on both state and individual
- xiii. It cause death.
- xiv. Social vices
- xv. Reduces productivity

4 points  $\times 2 = 8$  marks

Total = 20 marks

#### SECTION C

#### SOCIAL LIFE

Answer one question only from this section.

## Q7. (a) Ways people from different religions can co-exist peacefully

- i. Good interactions between them
- ii. Organization of games and sports among religious groups
- iii. Appreciating each other's religion
- iv. Practicing religious tolerance
- v. Regular participation in religious festivals
- vi. Intensification of religious and moral education

- vii. Encouraging inter faith marriages
- viii. Using dialogue to solve religious problems.
- ix. Avoiding religious fanaticism
- x. Proper interpretation of scriptures/religious beliefs
- xi. Coming together for Communal labour/Common Project.

xii. Effective education on religious 4 points × 3 = 12 marks

## (b) Importance of peaceful co-existence

- i. It brings tolerance and peace
- ii. It strengthens religious faith
- iii. It provides an avenue to appreciate each other
- iv. It brings about respect of the rights of all groups in the community
- v. It encourages support for each other
- vi. Safety is assured

vii. It enhances development

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4 points  $\times$  2 = 8 marks Total = 20 marks

## Q8. (a) Importance of time management

- i. One can accomplish more with less effort
- ii. It helps one to make better choices
- iii. It helps one to use time in better ways/It helps one to focus in life
- iv. It helps one to prioritize your work
- v. It helps in the management of stress
- vi. It prevents procrastination
- vii. It increase productivity
- viii. It promote discipuline

ix. It reduces Idleness.

orfidence of the individual.

The their time

- i. Idling- proving or sitting doing nothing
- ii. Watching unnecessary programs
- iii. Staying late in the night doing nothing profitable
- Spending too much time playing
- v. Postponing work to be done (procrastination)
- vi. Not planning ahead
- vii. Not having clear goals
- viii. Spending time on gambling belting

- ix. Engaging in unhealthy relationship with the opposition sex.
- x. Engaging in unnecessary conversations arguments gossiping.

XI. Spending

4 points  $\times$  2 = 8 marks

Total = 20 marks

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