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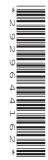
HINDUISM

Paper 1 Hindu Gods and Festivals

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the answer booklet/paper.

You will need: Answer booklet/paper

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **three** questions in total, **one** from each section.
- If you have been given an answer booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on all the work you hand in.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- At the end of the examination, fasten all your work together. Do **not** use staples, paper clips or glue.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

Section A: Gods

Answer either Question 1 or Question 2.

1	(a)	(i) Name	the brother of Kartikeya shown in a murti.	[1]	
		(ii) Give o	ne item that Kartikeya is often shown holding.	[1]	
	(b)	Outline one story about Kartikeya.			
	(c)	Explain the significance of the animal vehicle of Shiva.			
	(d)	'Shiva is worshipped only by those who have renounced the world.'			
		To what extent do you agree with this view? You should use evidence from your study of goo in Hinduism to support your argument. [10]			
2	(a)	Give two w	reapons that Durga holds in her hands.	[2]	
	(b)	Describe ho	ow Vishnu might be shown in a murti.	[3]	
	(c)	Explain the significance of the animal shown in a murti of Durga.		[5]	
	(d)	'Durga is th	e most important deity for Hindus.'		
		To what extent do you agree with this view? You should use evidence from your study of goo in Hinduism to support your argument. [1			

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Section B: Avatars

Answer either Question 3 or Question 4.

3	(a)	(i)	Name the avatar who appeared as a dwarf.	[1]
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		(ii)	Give one item that this avatar holds.	[1]
	(b)	Outline one story about the dwarf avatar.		[3]
	(c)	Explain why Vishnu appeared as Narsimha.		[5]
	(d)	'The animal incarnations of Vishnu are not important.'		
		To what extent do you agree with this view? You should use evidence from your study of avatars in Hinduism to support your argument. [10]		
4	(a)	(i)	Name the kingdom from which Rama was banished.	[1]
		(ii)	Name the mother of Rama who was responsible for his banishment.	[1]
	(b)	Describe one event in the life of Krishna. [3]		
	(c)	Explain how Krishna was the protector of dharma. [5		
	(d)	'Hindus can learn more from Rama than from the Narsimha avatar.'		
		To what extent do you agree with this view? You should use evidence from your study of		

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Section C: Festivals

Answer either Question 5 or Question 6.

5	(a)	Name two practices of devotees at Cavadi. [2	2]		
	(b)	Outline one belief associated with Cavadi.	3]		
	(c)	Explain why many Hindus do not sleep on Maha Shivaratri.	5]		
	(d)	'Festivals are not just about fasting.'			
		To what extent do you agree with this view? You should use evidence from your study of festivals in Hinduism to support your argument. [10]			
6	(a)		1]		
		(ii) Name one item offered during the worship of Ganesh. [7	1]		
	(b)	Outline one story related to Ganesh's birthday.			
	(c)	Explain why Hindus immerse the murti of Ganesh in water.			
	(d)	'Divali (Deepavali) is just about the lighting of lamps.'			
		To what extent do you agree with this view? You should use evidence from your study of			

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