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Cambridge Ordinary Level

HINDUISM 2055/02

Paper 2 Scriptures, Ethics and Hindu Life

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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

DO NOT WRITE IN ANY BARCODES.

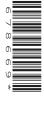
Answer three questions.

Answer **one** question from **each** section.

You should read the questions **carefully**. Try to understand exactly what is being asked of you, and then write your answers.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.





Section A: Aspects of knowledge, action and devotion

Answer either Question 1 or Question 2.

1	(a)	(i)	Name the teacher in the Bhagavad Gita.	[1]
		(ii)	Name the person who received the teaching in the Bhagavad Gita.	[1]
	(b)	Des	scribe what is meant by 'the way of knowledge' (jnana) in the Bhagavad Gita.	[3]
	(c)	Exp	plain why 'the way of action' (karma) can be very difficult to follow.	[5]
	(d)	'Hir	ndus do not need to study scriptures in order to achieve liberation.'	
		То	what extent do you agree? Refer to the specified texts you have studied in your	answer. [10]
2	(a)	(i)	Name the brother of Lord Rama who accompanied him in the forest.	[1]
		(ii)	Who devoted himself to serving Rama and Sita?	[1]
	(b)	Out	line the story of why Rama went to live in the forest.	[3]
	(c) Explain how the Sabrī gained the blessing of Rama.		plain how the Sabrī gained the blessing of Rama.	[5]
	(d)	'Th	e Ramacharitamanas teaches the only way to liberation.'	
		То	what extent do you agree? Refer to the specified texts you have studied in your	answer. [10]

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Section B: Hindu life and ceremonies

Answer either Question 3 or Question 4.

3	(a)	i) (i) What does the term 'varna' mean?	I	[1]		
		(ii) Name one of the four varnas in Hindu tradition	on.	[1]		
	(b)) How is 'varna' different from 'jati'?	I	[3]		
	(c)	Explain the duties of one of the four Hindu varnas	s. [[5]		
	(d)	d) 'Hinduism depends on the concept of varna for the smooth running of society.'				
		To what extent do you agree? You should use evidence from your study of Hindu support your argument.				
4	(a)	(i) When might Hindus observe the namakarana	a samskara?	[1]		
		(ii) What life event is the vivaha samskara assoc	ciated with?	[1]		
	(b) Outline what happens at a namakarana ceremony.		у. [[3]		
(c) Expla		Explain how the vivaha samskara might help Hind	dus in their adult lives.	[5]		
	(d)	(i) 'Modern Hindus should not be expected to observ	ve all the traditional samskaras.'			
		To what extent do you agree? You should use exsupport your argument.	•	to 0]		

Section C: Reforms and reformers of the 18th to 20th centuries

Answer either Question 5 or Question 6.

(a) (i) In which part of India was Ram Mohan Roy educated? 5 [1] (ii) Name a movement founded by Ram Mohan Roy. [1] [3] (b) Describe **one** reform which Ram Mohan Roy aimed to achieve for women. (c) Explain Ram Mohan Roy's views on how Indian children should be educated. [5] (d) 'Swami Dayananda Saraswati did more for the advancement of India than Ram Mohan Roy.' To what extent do you agree? You should use evidence from your study of Indian reformers to support your argument. [10] (a) (i) Name the profession for which M.K. Gandhi studied in London. [1] Name the country where Gandhi worked after leaving London. [1] (ii) (b) Describe Gandhi's aims in campaigning for Indian independence. [3] (c) Explain why Gandhi used non-violent protest to achieve his aims. [5] (d) 'Gandhi's teachings did not succeed in preparing Indians for the challenges of life in the 20th century.' To what extent do you agree? You should use evidence from your study of the life and work of M.K. Gandhi to support your argument. [10]

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