



Cambridge International A Level

HINDUISM

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Paper 1

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3 hours



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **five** questions in total:
Answer **at least one** question from each section.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 100.
- Each question is worth 20 marks.

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Answer any **five** questions. Choose **at least one** from each section.

Section A

- 1 To what extent does the Nasadiya Sukta suggest that there is power beyond the gods?
- 2 'In the Vedas, the gods are less important than correct ritual.'
Discuss.
- 3 'The story of Naciketas in the Katha Upanishad shows a better path to liberation than ritual.'
Discuss.

Section B

- 4 'Both Sita and Draupadi fulfil the ethical ideals for women.'
Evaluate this claim.
- 5 To what extent does Krishna provide a perfect example for Hindus today?
- 6 Explore the reasons for the popularity of the Bhagavad Gita.

Section C

- 7 Assess the claim that the bhakti movement has no basis in Hindu scripture.
- 8 'Bhakti is the best path to enlightenment.'
Discuss.
- 9 To what extent do you agree that Tulsidasa is the most important person in the bhakti movement?

Section D

- 10 'Ramakrishna Paramahansa was a mystic rather than a social reformer.'
Discuss.
- 11 'Non-violence cannot defeat violence.'
Discuss this statement with reference to the work of M K Gandhi.
- 12 Assess the claim that Rammohan Roy has had a lasting impact on Hinduism.

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