

HOW TO STUDY FOR SOR PRELIM EXAM 2019 – HINTS FROM THE MARKING CRITERIA!

- Provides detailed and accurate points for the nature of the Dreaming
- Integrates relevant and accurate terminology

Answer may include:

- Origins of the universe – Creation stories such as the Rainbow Serpent shaping the land
- Sacred sites – Sites of significance to certain groups due to connections with their Ancestral Beings
- Numerous stories of the Dreaming – Stories connecting the people to the land, creation and the past, present and future
- Symbolism and art – The Dreaming is represented in artwork and song and dance, enabling people to connect to it

- Provides detailed and accurate points for the role of ONE religious tradition in education before 1945
- Integrates relevant and accurate terminology

Answer may include:

- Education was an important issue for religious groups.
- Relevant documents: Schools Estates Corporation Charter (1825) emphasised the role of the Church of England as the established church and promoted its efforts in education by gifts of land etc.
- *Church Act (1836)* gave the appearance of fairness, but reinforced the dominance of the Church of England.
- *Public Instruction Act (1880)* made education free, compulsory and secular.

Provides characteristics and features of the death and resurrection of Jesus

Answer may include:

- Arrested in garden of Gethsemane
- Tried by Pontius Pilate
- Sentenced to death
- Crucified on Good Friday and buried
- On Easter Sunday he bodily rose into heaven

- Provides detailed and accurate points for the Christian understanding of salvation
- Integrates relevant and accurate terminology

Answer may include: Everyone is born with sin. On top of this we commit sin in our lives. Salvation from this sin is made possible by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. The sacrifice of Jesus was in atonement for our sins. In different denominations the specifics vary. In Catholicism, original sin must be washed away by baptism. In evangelistic faiths, to accept Jesus as your personal saviour and to be born again, is the road to salvation.

- Provides a detailed explanation of how the sacred texts demonstrate the beliefs
- Provides detailed textual references
- Integrates relevant and accurate terminology

Answer may include:

- Old Testament – “Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law”
- New Testament – Life and teachings of Jesus, Revelations, Pauline epistles

Provides characteristics and features of the importance of Tawhid in Islam

Answer may include:

- The entire faith of Islam is founded on the principle of Tawhid. It is the foremost article in the Muslim profession of faith.
- Tawhid is the concept that God is one and indivisible. This is the single and absolute truth that transcends the world.

Provides detailed and accurate points for the principal beliefs about Angels and life after death in Islam

Integrates relevant and accurate terminology

Answer may include:

- Belief in angels is one of the six Articles of Faith in Islam.
- Angels are intermediaries performing tasks for god.
- Death is the end of worldly life and the beginning of the afterlife.
- Depending on the life of the individual the extraction of the soul may differ (being painful for sinners).
- Faith is tested by angels.
- The righteous answer correctly and live in peace and comfort, while the sinners fail the test and are punished.

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Answer may include:

- The Qur'an → The Qur'an is a book of guidance for mankind
- The Hadith → Secondary to the Qur'an

Provides characteristics and features of the moral law prescribed by God

Answer may include:

- The moral law is found in the teachings of the Tenakh. The law and teachings of Judaism come from the Pentateuch and oral traditions.
- Rules about justice, equality before the law, loving-kindness, social welfare, and the ideals of peace and political freedom.
- Provides detailed and accurate points for the belief in the one God and the attributes of God
- Integrates relevant and accurate terminology

Answer may include:

- God is understood to be the absolute one, indivisible, and incomparable being who is the ultimate cause of all existence.
- God is an all-powerful being who is quite beyond human ability to understand or imagine.
- God is right here with us, caring about each individual, as a parent does their child.

- Provides a detailed explanation of how the sacred texts demonstrate the beliefs
- Provides detailed textual references
- Integrates relevant and accurate terminology

Answer may include:

- The Hebrew Bible
- The Talmud

- Provides a comprehensive explanation of why Jesus is the model of Christian life
- Makes accurate and detailed reference to specific aspects of Jesus' life
- Uses appropriate and detailed examples
- Effectively uses relevant terminology
- Presents a sustained, logical and well-structured response

Answer may include:

- Taught peace and love and evangelism
- The golden rule – do unto others...
- Submitted to God the father and accepted the sacrifice asked of him

- Provides a comprehensive explanation of why Muhammad is the model of Muslim life
- Makes accurate and detailed reference to specific aspects of Muhammad's life
- Uses appropriate and detailed examples
- Effectively uses relevant terminology
- Presents a sustained, logical and well-structured response

Answer may include: Muhammad is said to have had superior morality, good habits, noble and gentle feelings and superior skills. The Qur'an says, "Verily in the messenger of Allah you have a good example for him who looks unto Allah and the Last Day, and remembers Allah much."

- Provides a comprehensive explanation of the story of Exodus and the giving of law at Sinai
- Uses appropriate and detailed examples
- Effectively uses relevant terminology
- Presents a sustained, logical and well-structured response

Answer may include:

- The physical and spiritual birth of Israel as a nation
- Stories of enslavement and liberation
- Revelation and wandering
- Belief and apostasy
- Fundamental laws and of the rules governing national worship

- Provides a comprehensive comparison showing how the beliefs are similar and/or different
- Provides detailed and relevant examples
- Effectively uses relevant terminology
- Presents a sustained, logical and well-structured response

Answer will vary but may include:

- Nordic
- Shinto
- Answer should also compare the beliefs concerning origins of the universe, supernatural powers/deities.