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## The Scriptures and the Creed

**Answer three questions: One from each section and a third from any section.**

### Section A – The Christian Bible

1. One of the major themes in the Old Testament is that of captivity and deliverance. Explain this theme with reference to the deliverance of the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt and the exile in Babylon.
2. What do we mean by the Synoptic problem?
3. Mention the main divisions of the Old and New Testament and explain briefly their respective content. What does the word ‘Apocrypha’ mean?

### Section B: The Creed

4. What is the basis of Christian hope and what does eternal life mean?
5. Christians believe that Christ is the only saviour of mankind. What does salvation mean and how did Jesus bring this salvation about?
6. The Apostles Creed is the oldest and simplest Creed of the Church. Explain briefly the formation of this Creed and of the other Creeds.

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### L-Iskrittura u l-Kredit

**Wiegeb tliet mistoqsijiet: Wahda minn kull taqsima u t-tielet wahda minn liema taqsima trid.**

#### Taqsima A – Il-Bibbja Nisranija

1. Wahda mit-temi l-kbar fit-Testment il-Qadim hija dik tal-jasar u tal-helsien. Spjega din it-tema b'referenza għall-helsien tal-poplu Lhudi mill-jasar fl-Egittu u mill-eżilju fil-Babilonja.
2. X'nifhmu bil-problema Sinottika?
3. Semmi t-taqsimiet il-kbar tat-Testment il-Qadim u tat-Testment il-Ġdid u spjega fil-qosor il-kontenut rispettiv tagħhom. Xi tifsser il-kelma 'Apokrifa'?

#### Taqsima B - Il-Kredit

4. X'inhil-baži tat-tama Nisranija u xi tfisser il-ħajja ta' dejjem?
5. L-Insara jemmnu li Kristu huwa l-uniku salvatur tal-bniedem. Is-salvazzjoni xi tfisser u Ġesù kif wettaq din is-salvazzjoni?
6. Il-Kredit tal-Appostli huwa l-Kredit l-aktar antik u l-aktar sempliċi tal-Knisja. Spjega fil-qosor il-formazzjoni ta' dan il-Kredit u tal-Kredijiet l-oħra.

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### **Liturgy and Christian Morality**

**Answer three questions: One from each section and a third from any section.**

#### **Section A: Liturgy and the Sacraments**

1. Christians form part of a community called to prayer and praise. Explain the role of worship in their personal and community life.
2. The celebration of the Eucharist is a renewal of the Last Supper and of Jesus' sacrifice of his life for us. Explain one of these elements in detail and the other element briefly.
3. Among the many forms of penance in Christian life three of them stand out in a special way: fasting, prayer and charity (adapted from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, n.1434). They may be given as a penance by the confessor in the sacrament of reconciliation. Explain two of these forms and their healing power.

#### **Section B: Christian Morality**

4. What does respect for the dignity of the human person involve?
5. Social communications media provide portals for truth and faith (message of Benedict XVI for World Communications Day 2013). How can Christians make use of these means of social communications in accordance with the eighth commandment "You shall not bear false witness"?
6. Can contraception be reconciled with the culture of life according to the teaching of the Church? Elaborate your answer with some examples.

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### II-Liturġija u l-Moralità Nisranija

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#### Taqsima A: II-Liturġija u s-Sagramenti

1. L-Insara jiffurmaw parti minn komunità msejha għat-talb u t-tifhir. Fisser ir-rwol tal-qima fil-ħajja personali u komunitarja tagħhom.
2. Iċ-ċelebrazzjoni tal-Ewkaristija hija tiġdida tal-Aħhar Ċena u tas-sagrifiċċju tal-ħajja ta' Ġesù għalina. Spjega wiehed minn dawn l-elementi fid-dettall u l-element l-ieħor fil-qosor.
3. Fost il-bosta għamliet ta' penitenza fil-ħajja Nisranija, tlieta minnhom jispikkaw b'mod speċjali: is-sawm, it-talb u l-karità (adattata mill-*Katekiżmu tal-Knisja Kattolika*, n.1434). Dawn jistgħu jingħataw bhala tewba mill-konfessur fis-sagrament tar-rikonċiljazzjoni. Fisser tnejn minn dawn l-għamliet u l-qawwa tagħhom ta' fejqan.

#### Taqsima B: II-Moralità Nisranija

4. Ir-rispett lejn id-dinjità tal-persuna umana x'jinvolvi?
5. Il-midja tal-komunikazzjoni soċjali jipprovdu mezzi li jwasslu l-verità u l-fidi (il-messaġġ ta' Benedittu XVI għall-Jum Dinji tal-Komunikazzjoni 2013). Kif jistgħu l-Insara jagħmlu uzu minn dawn il-mezzi ta' komunikazzjoni soċjali skont ma jitlob it-tmien kmandament "La tixhedx haġa b'oħra"?
6. Il-kontraċezzjoni tista' tiġi rikonċiljata mal-kultura tal-ħajja skont it-tagħlim tal-Knisja? Elabora t-twegiba tiegħek b'xi eżempji.