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SUĞGETT/SUBJECT: **IT-TAGHLIM RELIGIUŽ/RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE**

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**Din il-karta għandha 40% tal-marki kollha tal-eżami.**

**Sezzjoni A (50 marka): Wieġeb dawn il-mistoqsijiet KOLLHA. Tista' twieġeb bil-Malti JEW bl-Ingliz. Il-marki jidhru wara kull mistoqsija.**

**This paper carries 40% of the global mark of the exam.**

**Section A (50 marks): Answer ALL the following questions. You can answer EITHER in English OR in Maltese. The marks are indicated at the end of each question.**

1. a) X'jissejjaħ il-ktieb sagru tal-Iżlam? (marka)  
*a) What is the name of the sacred book of Islam?* (1 mark)

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  - b) Min kien il-profeta li ghaddih lill-bnedmin? (marka)  
*b) Who was the prophet that handed it to humans?* (1 mark)

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  2. Ikteb l-isem tal-ewwel **hames** kotba tal-Bibbja. (2 marki)  
*Write the name of the first five books of the Bible.* (2 marks)
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    - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
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    - (v) \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Liema huma ż-żewġ atteggamenti li bihom għandna nersqu lejn il-Kelma ta' Alla? (2 marki)  
*Which are the two approaches with which we are to come close to the Word of God?* (2 marks)
    - (i) \_\_\_\_\_
    - (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
  4. X'nifmu b'Kanoni tal-Kotba Mqaddsa? (2 marki)  
*What do we understand by the Canon of the Holy Scripture?* (2 marks)
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5. Liema huma t-tliet konsegwenzi tal-firda tal-bniedem minn Alla? (3 marki)  
*Which are the **three** consequences of the rift of man from God?* (3 marks)

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
(iii) \_\_\_\_\_

6. X'wieghed Alla lill-bniedem wara li dan waqa' fid-dnub? (2 marki)  
*What did God promise to man after he fell into sin?* (2 marks)
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7. X'nifhmu bi 'Dnub Originali'? (2 marki)  
*What do we understand by 'Original Sin'?* (2 marks)
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8. X'kien l-aħħar kastig li wassal lill-Fargħun jeħles lill-poplu Lhudi mill-jasar tal-Ēġittu? (marka)  
*Which was the last plague that led Pharaoh to set free the Jewish people from the Egyptian bondage?* (1 mark)
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9. Ikteb l-isem ta' kittieb pagan u ieħor Lhudi fil-bidu tal-Kristjanežmu li jsemmu lil Ĝesù fil-kitbiet tagħhom. (2 marki)  
*Write the name of a pagan and Jewish writer at the beginning of Christianity who mentioned Jesus in their writings.* (2 marks)

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

10. Ikteb **tliet** espressjonijiet li bihom nuru dak li hi l-Knisja. (3 marki)  
*Write **three** expressions with which we indicate what the Church is.* (3 marks)

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
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11. Fl-għażla tal-Appostli, Ĝesù ried li dawn ikunu tħax. Għaliex? (2 marki)  
*In choosing the Apostles, Jesus wanted them to be twelve. Why?* (2 marks)

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12. X'nifmu bl-espressjoni ‘il-kolleggjalità tal-isqfijiet’? (2 marki)  
*What do we mean by ‘the collegiality of bishops’?* (2 marks)

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13. Semmi **tliet** hidmiet speċjali li Ĝesù ta lill-apostli u lis-suċċessuri tagħhom. (3 marki)  
*Mention **three** special tasks that Jesus gave to the apostles and their successors.* (3 marks)

(i) \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_

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14. X'nifmu b'Moviment Ekumeniku? (marka)  
*What do we understand by Ecumenical Movement?* (1 mark)

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15. Ĝesù kemm-il darba kien jitkellem dwar “is-siegha tiegħu”. X’kien qed jifhem b’din is-siegha? (2 marki)  
*Very often, Jesus spoke about “his hour”. What did he mean by this hour?* (2 marks)

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16. X’jigri fil-quddiesa fil-ħin tal-Konsagrazzjoni? (marka)  
*What happens during Mass at the time of Consecration?* (1 mark)

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17. Ghaliex l-Insara tal-bidu rreferew għall-jum tal-Hadd bħala Jum il-Mulej? (marka)  
*Why did the early Christians refer to Sunday as the Lord's Day?* (1 mark)
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18. X'għandu jagħmel in-Nisrani biex iqaddes il-jum tal-Hadd? Ikteb **tliet** azzjonijiet. (3 marki)  
*What should the Christian do to celebrate Sunday? Write **three** actions.* (3 marks)

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
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19. X'inhu il-ġid komuni? (2 marki)  
*What is the common good?* (2 marks)
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20. "Hadd ma jista' jaqdi żewġ sidien." (Mt. 6, 24) X'fisser Gesù b'dan il-kliem? (2 marki)  
*"No one can serve two masters." (Mt. 6, 24) What did Jesus mean by these words?* (2 marks)
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21. Ikteb **tliet** effetti li jħalli l-Ispirtu s-Santu fuq min jirċievi s-Sagament tal-Griżma tal-Isqof. (3 marki)  
*Write **three** effects that the Holy Spirit bestows on the recipient of the Sacrament of Confirmation.* (3 marks)

- (i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
(iii) \_\_\_\_\_

22. X'ikunu qed jagħmlu n-nies meta jitolbu? (2 marki)  
*What do people do when they pray?* (2 marks)
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23. Min huma l-ministri tas-Sagament taż-Żwieġ? (marka)  
*Who are the ministers in the Sacrament of Marriage?* (1 mark)

24. X'infissru meta fil-Kredu nistqarru li nemmnu fil-qawma mill-imwiet u fil-ħajja taż-żmien li ġej? (2 marki)  
*What do we mean when in the Creed we profess that we believe in the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come?* (2 marks)

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25. a) X'inhu l-purgatorju? (marka)  
*a) What is purgatory?* (1 mark)

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**Sezzjoni B (25 marka): Wieġeb dawn il-hames mistoqsijiet billi tikteb paragrafu fuq kull wahda. Tista' twieġeb bil-Malti JEW bl-Ingliz. Il-marki jidhru wara kull mistoqsija.**  
**Section B (25 marks). Answer these five questions by writing a paragraph on each. You can answer EITHER in English OR in Maltese. The marks are indicated at the end of each question.**

1. Ikteb l-isem ta' **tliet** dokumenti tal-Koncilju Vatikan II u spjega t-tema ta' wieħed minnhom. (5 marki)  
*Write the name of three documents of the Second Vatican Council and explain the theme of one of them.* (5 marks)

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2. Fl-Iskrittura insibu: “Jien li jien” (Eż. 3, 14) u “Jien hu t-Triq, il-Verità u l-Hajja” (Gw. 14, 16). Min qal dan il-kliem u lil min intqal? X’rabta hemm bejn dawn iż-żewġ sentenzi? (5 marki)  
*In the Scripture we find: “I am He who is” (Ex. 3, 14) and “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life” (Jn. 14, 16). Who said these words and to whom were they addressed? What is the link between these two sentences? (5 marks)*

3. “Ejjew għandi, intom ilkoll li tinsabu mħabbin u mtaqqlin, u jien nagħtikom il-mistrieh għall-ruħkom.” (ara Mt. 11, 28) X’ried ifisser Ģesù b’dan il-kliem? (5 marki)  
“Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest for your souls.” (see Mt. 11, 28) What did Jesus mean by these words? (5 marks)

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4. Fil-Kredu ta' Niċeā nistqarru li nemmnu "... fl-Ispirtu s-Santu, Mulej li jagħti l-ħajja". Ikteb u fisser l-erba' ħidmiet li l-Ispirtu s-Santu jwettaq fil-ħajja tan-Nisrani. (5 marki)  
*In the Nicene Creed we profess that we believe "... in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life". Write and explain the four tasks that the Holy Spirit performs in the life of the Christian.* (5 marks)

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5. Liema huma t-tliet kwalitajiet li bihom għandu jkun imżejjen żwieġ Nisrani? Fissirhom fil-qosor. (5 marki)  
*Which are the three qualities by which a Christian marriage should be adorned? Explain them briefly. (5 marks)*

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**Sezzjoni Ċ (25 marka): Aqra sew dawn is-siltiet u wiegeb il-mistoqsijiet KOLLHA li jsegwuhom. Tista' twiegeb bil-Malti JEW bl-Ingliz. Il-marki jidhru wara kull mistoqsija.**  
**Section C (25 marks): Read these texts carefully and answer ALL the questions that follow. You can answer EITHER in English OR in Maltese. The marks are indicated at the end of each question.**

**1. Sejha ghall-qdusija**  
*Call to holiness*

Biex inkunu qaddisin, m'hemmx bżonn bilfors inkunu isqfijiet, qassisin jew reliġuži: le, kollha msejhin insiru qaddisin! Imbagħad, tant drabi niġu ttentati naħsbu li l-qdusija hi riservata biss għal dawk li għandhom il-possibbiltà li jħallu warajhom ix-xogħol u l-facendi ta' kuljum, biex jiddedikaw ruħhom esklussivament għat-talb. Imma dan m'hux hekk! Hemm min jaħseb li l-qdusija tfisser tagħlaq għajnejk u tagħmel wiċċek qis u go xi santa. Le! M'hix din il-qdusija! Il-qdusija hi xi haġa bil-wisq ikbar, wisq iktar profonda li jagħtina Alla. Anzi, huwa propju f'li ngħixu l-imħabba u noffru x-xhieda Nisranija tagħna fil-ħidmiet ta' kuljum li aħna msejhin insiru qaddisin. U kull wieħed u waħda fil-kundizzjonijiet u fl-istat ta' ħajja li fih jinsab. ... Alla qed jaġħtik il-grazzja li titqaddes. Hemm Alla jikkomunika miegħek. Dejjem u f'kull post nistgħu nsiru qaddisin, jiġifieri nistgħu nifstħu qalbna għal din il-grazzja li taħdem fina u twassalna ghall-qdusija. ... Kun qaddis billi ssir sinjal li jidher ta' l-imħabba ta' Alla u tal-preżenza tiegħu fostna. Araw kif kull stat ta' ħajja jista' jwassal ghall-qdusija, dejjem! Id-dar tiegħek, fit-triq, fuq il-lant tal-xogħol, fil-Knisja, f'dak il-mument u fl-istat ta' ħajtek tkun infetħet it-triq lejn il-qdusija. Taqtgħux qalbkom li timxu f'din it-triq. Hu propju Alla li jaġħtina l-grazzja. Dan biss li jitlob minna l-Mulej: li aħna nkunu f'komunjoni miegħu u ghall-qadi ta' ħutna. (*Papa Frangisku, Udjenza Ĝenerali, 19 ta' Novembru 2014*)

*In order to be saints, there is no need to be bishops, priests or religious: no, we are all called to be saints! So, many times we are tempted to think that sainthood is reserved only to those who have the opportunity to break away from daily affairs in order to dedicate themselves exclusively to prayer. But it is not so! Some think that sanctity is to close your eyes and to look like a holy icon. No! This is not sanctity! Sanctity is something greater, deeper, which God gives us. Indeed, it is precisely in living with love and offering one's own Christian witness in everyday affairs that we are called to become saints. And each in the conditions and the state of life in which he or she finds him- or herself ... God gives you the grace to become holy. God communicates himself to you. Always, in every place, one can become a saint, that is, one can open oneself up to this grace, which works inside us and leads us to holiness ... Be a saint by becoming a visible sign of God's love and of his presence alongside us. This is it: every state of life leads to holiness, always! In your home, on the street, at work, at church, in that moment and in your state of life, the path to sainthood has been opened. Don't be discouraged to pursue this path. It is God alone who gives us the grace. The Lord asks only this: that we are in communion with Him and at the service of our brothers and sisters. (Pope Francis, General Audience, November 19, 2014)*

- a. Apparti l-isqfijiet, l-qassisin u r-reliġuži, min aktar hu msejjah għall-qdusija? (2 marki)  
 a. Apart from bishops, priests and religious, who else is called to holiness? (2 marks)

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- b. X'linhi l-vera qdusija? (2 marki)  
b. *What is true holiness?* (2 marks)

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- c. Min jaġħtina l-grazzja neċċesarja biex insiru qaddisin? (2 marki)  
c. *Who gives us the necessary grace to become holy?* (2 marks)

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- d. Xi tfisser is-sentenza “kull stat ta’ ħajja jwassal għal qdusija”? (2 marki)  
d. What is the meaning of the sentence “every state of life leads to holiness”? (2 marks)

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- e. “Taqtgħux qalbkom li timxu din it-triq” iħegġeg il-Papa Frangisku. Għal liema triq qed  
jirreferi? Kif nistgħu ngħixuha? (2 marki)  
e. *“Don’t be discouraged to pursue this path” urges Pope Francis. To which path is he  
referring? How can we live it?* (2 marks)

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## **2. Is-sejha Nisranija ghall-imħabba**

*The Christian call to love*

Bħala Nsara aħna msejħin biex nuru l-imħabba ta' Alla li tkħaddan kollox. Għaldaqstant għandna nfittxu lill-foqra, lill-vulnerabbli, lill-emarginati; għandu jkollna kura speċjali għal dawk li għaddejjin minn inkwiet, dawk li jibat minn dipressjoni jew ansjetà; għandna nieħdu ħsieb id-diżabbi, u nagħmlu kulma nistgħu biex nippromwovu d-dinjità u l-kwalitá tal-ħajja tagħhom; għandna nagħtu attenzjoni għall-ħtigijiet tal-immigrant u dawk li qed ifittxu refugju fostna; għandna nestendu l-id ta' ħbiberija lil dawk li jemmnu u li ma jemmnux. Din hija s-sejħa nobbli tal-imħabba u servizz li rċevejna kollha kemm aħna. Halluha tispirakom biex tiddedikaw haj jitkom biex timxu wara Kristu. (*Benedictu XVI, Laqgħa maż-Żgħażaq, Valletta Waterfront, 18 ta' April 2010*)

*As Christians we are called to manifest God's all-inclusive love. So we should seek out the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized; we should have a special care for those who are in distress, those suffering from depression or anxiety; we should care for the disabled, and do all we can to promote their dignity and quality of life; we should be attentive to the needs of immigrants and asylum seekers in our midst; we should extend the hand of friendship to members of all faiths and non-believers. That is the noble vocation of love and service that we have all received. Let it inspire you to dedicate your lives to following Christ. (Benedict XVI, Meeting with the Youth, Valletta Waterfront, 18<sup>th</sup> April 2010)*

- a. (i) Irrakkonta fil-qosor il-parabbola li biha Ĝesù wiegeb ghall-mistoqsija: "Min hu l-proxxmu tiegħi?" (2 marki)  
a. (i) Briefly tell the parable by which Jesus answered the question: "Who is my neighbour?" (2 marks)

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- a. (ii) Kif taħseb li din il-parabbola tista' tigi applikata għas-socjetà tal-lum? (marka)  
a. (ii) How do you think this parable can be applied to today's society? (1 mark)

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- b. “Għandna nfittxu lill-foqra, lill-vulnerabbi, lill-emarginati ...” X’tifhem meta jingħad li l-imħabba twassal għas-solidarjetà? (3 marki)
- b. “So we should seek out the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized ...” What do you understand when it is said that love leads to solidarity? (3 marks)

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- c. “Sejha nobbli tal-imħabba u servizz li rċevejna.” X’servizz jingħata permezz tal-volontarjat? (3 marki)
- c. “Noble vocation of love and service that we have all received.” What service is given through voluntary work? (3 marks)

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- d. Semmi u ikteb dwar organizzazzjoni fi ħdan il-Knisja Maltija li tipprovd i u torganizza hidma volontarja. (3 marki)
- d. Name and write about an organization within the Church in Malta which provides and organizes voluntary work. (3 marks)

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- e. Fil-hajja tiegħek ta' kuljum (fil-familja, fl-iskola, fl-isport, waqt id-divertiment, ecc.), int ukoll tista' taħdem biex iġġib 'il quddiem il-ġid tal-ohrajn. Ikteb kif. (3 marki)

e. *In your daily life (in the family, at school, in sports, during leisure time, etc.), even you can work to enhance the good of others. Write how you can do this.* (3 marks)

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**Din il-karta għandha 60% tal-marki kollha tal-eżami. Tista' twieġeb bil-Malti JEW bl-Ingliż. Wieġeb TLIETA minn dawn il-hames mistoqsijiet f'forma ta' esej. Kull mistoqsija għandha 50 marka minn total ta' 150.**

*This paper carries 60% of the global mark of the exam. You can answer EITHER in English OR in Maltese. Answer THREE of these five questions in essay format. Each question carries 50 marks out of a total of 150.*

**1. Is-siwi tar-Religjon għall-bniedem.**

**1. The value of Religion for man.**

- a) "Ir-Religjonijiet kollha jfittxu li jagħtu tweġiba bis-sens għall-mistoqsijiet fundamentali li jagħmel kull bniedem." Spjeg a x'inhuma dawn il-mistoqsijiet.  
*"All Religions seek to give a meaningful answer to the fundamental questions asked by every human being." Explain what these questions are.*
- b) Irreferi għal dak li taf dwar ir-Religjonijiet il-kbar mhux Insara biex turi li dawn kollha jfittxu li jwieġbu l-mistoqsijiet tal-bniedem dwar x'jiġri minnu wara l-mewt.  
*Refer to what you know about the major non-Christian Religions to show that they all seek to answer man's questions about what happens to him after death.*
- c) Fisser kif il-Knisja tħares lejn Religjonijiet mhux Insara.  
*Explain how the Church views non-Christian Religions.*

**2. Ix-xogħol hu għall-bniedem u mhux il-bniedem għax-xogħol.**

**2. Work is for man and not man for work.**

- a) Semmi u ikteb dwar tlieta mill-iskopijiet li għandu jkollu x-xogħol skont il-ħsieb ta' Alla u t-tagħlim tal-Knisja.  
*Name and write about three purposes which work should have according to God's intention and the teachings of the Church.*
- b) Id-dnubiet ta' ingustizzja fuq il-post tax-xogħol jagħmlu mix-xogħol għajnejn ta' tbatija. Fisser.  
*The sins of injustice at the workplace lead to a source of suffering. Explain.*
- c) Ikteb dwar żewġ drittijiet li għandhom ikollhom il-ħaddiema fil-qasam tax-xogħol.  
*Write about two rights that workers should have in the work environment.*

### 3. Il-Bibbja: il-Kelma ta' Alla miktuba.

#### 3. *The Bible: the written Word of God.*

- a) Xi nfissru eżatt meta jingħad li l-Bibbja hi ispirata?  
*What exactly do we mean when it is said that the Bible is inspired?*
- b) Ghaliex nemmnū li l-Bibbja hi ktieb bla żbalji? F'liema sens hi bla żbalji? Irreferi għan-nuqqas ta' qbil max-xjenza li hemm fil-Ġenesi u spjega ghaliex, minkejja dan, xorta l-Bibbja hi bla żbalji.  
*Why do Christians believe that the Bible is a book without errors? In what sense is it without errors? Refer to the diverging perspective that science adopts in view of the book of Genesis and explain why, despite this, the Bible is still without errors.*
- c) X'isem insibu fil-Bibbja għall-baħar li qasmu l-Lhud? Ghaliex dan l-isem jista' jgħinna nifħmu aħjar dak li aktarx ġara tabilhaqq? X'inhu l-messaġġ ewlieni ta' din il-ġrajja?  
*In the Bible, what is the name of the sea crossed by the Jews? Why can this name help us to understand better what probably happened? What is the main message of this event?*

### 4. Marija mudell għat-tweġiba tagħna lil Alla.

#### 4. *Mary a model for our response to God.*

- a) Fit-8 ta' Diċembru (Solennità tal-Immakulata Kunċizzjoni) u fil-15 ta' Awwissu (Solennità ta' Marija Mtellgħa s-Sema) niċċelebraw żewġ veritajiet li aħna l-Insara nemmnū dwar il-Vergni Mqaddsa Marija. X'għandhom ifissru għalina dawn iż-żewġ Dommi ta' Fidi?  
*On December 8 (Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception) and on August 15 (Solemnity of Mary's Assumption into Heaven) we celebrate two truths that we Christians believe about the Blessed Virgin Mary. What should these two Dogmas of Faith mean to us?*
- b) Flok suppervja, għira u firdiet, Marija fittxet li tuża d-dinjità u t-talenti tagħha għas-servizz tal-imħabba u tas-solidarjetà. Uri kif Marija għamlet dan.  
*Instead of pride, envy and divisions, Holy Mary sought to use her dignity and her talents at the service of love and solidarity. Show how Mary did this.*
- c) Meta Marija aċċettat li ssir Omm Alla, hi wriet imħabba kbira lejh. Kif tista' inti, bħala zaghżugħ/a, tixbah lil Marija fil-ħajja tiegħek bħala Nisrani/ija? Uri dan billi tagħti tliet eżempji.  
*When Mary accepted to become the Mother of God, she showed great love towards him. How can you, as a young person, imitate Mary in your life as a Christian? Show this by giving three examples.*

### 5. Bis-Sagament tar-Rikonċiljazzjoni aħna nagħmlu paċi ma' Alla u ma' xulxin.

#### Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation we make peace with God and with each other.

- a) Irrakkonta żewġ ġrajjiet fejn Gesù laqa' u hafer lill -midinbin.  
*Narrate two events where Jesus welcomed sinners and forgave them.*
- b) X'fatturi huma importanti fl-attitudni tagħna biex inkunu nistgħu niċċelebraw is-Sagament tar-Rikonċiljazzjoni sew?  
*What issues are important in our attitude so that we can fittingly celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation?*
- c) Ghaliex il-Qrar hemm bżonnū fil-ħajja tal-lum?  
*Why is Confession needed in today's life?*

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**Din il-karta għandha 60% tal-marki kollha tal-eżami. Tista' twieġeb bil-Malti JEW bl-Ingliz. Wieġeb GHAXRA minn dawn l-14-il mistoqsija f'forma ta' paragrafu. Kull mistoqsija għandha 15-il marka minn total ta' 150.**

***This paper carries 60% of the global mark of the exam. You can answer EITHER in English OR in Maltese. Answer TEN from these fourteen questions in paragraph format. Each question carries 15 marks out of a total of 150.***

1. Fisser il-kuntrast fit-twemmin tal-Induiżmu u tal-Kristjaneżmu dwar x'jiġri mill-bnedmin wara l-mewt.  
*Explain the contrast in the belief of Hinduism and Christianity about what happens to humans after death.*
2. Il-Bibbja għandha tkun l-aktar ktieb importanti ghall-Insara. Ghaliex?  
*The Bible should be the most important book for Christians. Why?*
3. Il-ktieb tal-Ġenesi juri li Alla waħdu hu s-Sid ta' kollox. Xi tfisser?  
*The book of Genesis shows that God alone is the Lord of all. What does it mean?*
4. Irrakkonta fil-qosor il-ġrajja tal-Exodu, u spjega b'liema mod Alla ha ħsieb il-Poplu tiegħu.  
*Write in brief the story of the Exodus, and explain how God took care of his people.*
5. Waqt lekċer f'Università, professur argumenta li l-Qawmien ta' Ĝesù mill-mewt hu falz, għax imkien fl-istorja tal-bniedem ma nsibu li xi ħadd qatt qajjem lilu nnifsu mill-mewt. Hu, filwaqt li kkwota diversi awturi u kotba biex jagħti prova ta' dan, ikkonkluda li l-istorja tal-qawmien hi vvintata mill-Knisja u mibniha fuq l-immaġinazzjoni u l-emozzjonijiet.  
Irreagixxi għal dak li qed jghid dan il-professur fid-dawl tat-tagħlim Nisrani.  
*During a university lecture, a professor argued that the Resurrection of Jesus from death is false, because nowhere in the history of man do we find that someone raised himself from death. He, citing several authors and books to prove this, concluded that the story of the resurrection is invented by the Church and built on imagination and emotions.*  
*React to what this professor is saying in the light of the Christian teaching.*
6. Il-ħidma tal-Knisja hija normalment assoċjata mal-qrar, il-quddies, il-purċissljonijiet u l-funerali. Fl-opinjoni tiegħek, il-Knisja, x'għandha twettaq fis-soċjetà tal-lum?  
*The tasks of the Church are usually associated with confession, the Mass, processions and funerals. In your opinion, what should the Church carry out in today's society?*

7. F'liema sens ir-Rikonċiljazzjoni hu s-sagament ta' tigdid u ferħ? Għaliex hemm bżonn li nqerru?  
*In what sense is Reconciliation the sacrament of renewal and joy? Why is there a need to confess?*
8. Fisser ir-rabta li hemm bejn l-Aħħar Ċena ta' Ĝesù u l-Quddiesa.  
*Explain the link between the Last Supper of Jesus and the Mass.*
9. Thoss li s-solidarjetà hi waħda mill-aktar principji importanti li għandu jkun hemm f'soċjetà? Spjega t-tweġiba tiegħek, u uri kif is-Sammaritan it-tajjeb wera solidarjetà ma' dak li waqa' f'id-ejn il-ħallelin.  
*Do you feel that solidarity is one of the most important principles that should be valued in a society? Explain your answer, and show how the good Samaritan showed solidarity with the one who fell into the hands of the thieves.*
10. “Dan l-Ispirtu jixhed flimkien mal-Ispirtu tagħna li aħna wlied Alla. Jekk aħna wlied, aħna wkoll werrieta tiegħu, werrieta ta’ Alla, werrieta ta’ Kristu: għax aħna nbatu miegħu biex miegħu nkunu għglorifikati.” (Rum. 8, 16-17)  
Meta u kif sirna werrieta ta’ Alla? X’dinjità ġiet mogħtija lilna dakħar? F'liema sens ngħidu li se nirtuh?  
*“The Spirit himself joins with our spirit to bear witness that we are children of God. And if we are children, then we are heirs, heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ, provided that we share his suffering, so as to share his glory.” (Rom. 8, 16-17)*  
*When and how did we become heirs of God? What dignity was bestowed on us? In what sense do we say that we will inherit him?*
11. Is-serq, il-vendikazzjoni, l-ġħira u l-fanatiżmu huma fost l-għeruq tal-vjolenza. Agħti spjegazzjoni ta’ kif aħna bhala Insara nistgħu neqirdu dawn, u minflok nibnu pedament sod għar-relazzjonijiet ta’ bejnietna.  
*Theft, retaliatory action, envy and fanaticism are among the roots of violence. Give an explanation of how we as Christians can destroy these things and instead, build a solid foundation for relationships amongst us.*
12. “U l-Mulej Alla ha lill-bniedem u qiegħdu fil-ġnien tal-Ġħeden biex jaħdmu u jħarsu.” (Gen. 2, 15)  
X’messaġġ iwassilna l-ktieb tal-Ġenesi dwar ix-xogħol u l-bniedem qabel id-dnub? Id-dnub kif affettwa ix-xogħol tal-bniedem?  
*“Yahweh God took man and settled him in the garden of Eden to cultivate and take care of it.” (Gen. 2, 15)*  
*What message does the book of Genesis convey to us about work and man before sin? How did sin affect man’s work?*
13. Kien fi Frar, u bdiet tqorrob il-festa ta’ San Valentinu, il-qaddis tal-maħbubin. Monica tiddelitta ħafna bl-anniversarji, *birthdays*, u okkażjonijiet bħal dawn. Żewġha, Jesmond lanqas kien kapaċi jiftakar data waħda speċjali. Għaliex, dawn kienu ġranet bħall-ohrajn. “Nispera li ma tinsiex il-festa ta’ San Valentinu bħalma nsejt l-anniversarju tat-tiegħi,” qalet Monica lil żewġha. “Monica, għażiża tiegħi, digħi għedtlek li dawn id-dati speċjali ma nemminx fihom. Ghidli x’jiswa li nġiblek il-fjuri f’jum San Valentinu jekk imbagħad nonqos mir-rispett tiegħi lejk matul is-sena kollha?” weġibha Jesmond. “Eżatt”, qalet Monica, “kull jum għandna nuru rispett lejn xulxin”. It-tnejn ħarsu lejn xulxin u bi tbissima qablu li l-imħabba jixraq tiċċelebraha kemm fi ġranet speċjali, kif ukoll f’kull ġurnata tas-sena.

Għaliex l-imħabba bejn il-miżżeġin għandha tkun xi haġa li jgħixuha s-sena kollha u mhux fl-okkażjonijiet biss? Kif jistgħu jagħmlu dan b'żewġ eżempji?

*It was in February, and the feast of St. Valentine, the saint of the beloved, was approaching. Monica is very keen on anniversaries, birthdays, and similar occasions. Jesmond, her husband, was not even able to remember one special date. For him, they were all like other days. “I hope that you do not forget the feast of St. Valentine as you forgot to remember our wedding anniversary,” said Monica to her husband. “Monica, my dear, I already told you that I do not believe in these special dates. What is the use of me bringing you flowers on St. Valentine’s day and then I fail in my respect towards you throughout the year?” replied Jesmond. “Sure”, said Monica, “every day we should manifest respect to each other”. They looked at each other and with a smile they agreed that love should be celebrated both on special occasions and on every single day.*

*Why should love between spouses be something they live all year round and not only occasionally? Give two examples to show how they can do this.*

14. Il-ġudizzju tagħna qiegħed isir issa, kuljum, f'kull deciżjoni li nieħdu. Spjega kif bl-għażliet li nagħmlu llum, inkunu qed inħejju għall-ġħażla definittiva li nagħmlu fl-ahħar ta' hajnejna jew favur it-tajjeb jew favur il-ħažin.

*Our judgment is being made now, every day, in every decision we take. Explain how through our daily choices, we prepare for the final choice at the end of our life either in favour of the good or in favour of the evil.*