

VISVA-BHARATI  
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND COMPARATIVE RELIGION  
B.A. SEMESTER-I EXAMINATION 2024 (NEP)  
COURSE-MINOR MNPR01  
Paper Title-THEMES IN RELIGION

Full Marks:-80

Time:-3 hours

Answer *any four* questions from the following

- 1) Discuss the religious beliefs of the people of Indus Valley civilization along with the archeological evidence from which such beliefs can be derived. (20)
- 2) How are Miracles and Magic different from each other? Discuss the role of Miracles in any two religions of non-Indian origin. (10+10=20)
- 3) Briefly describe the features of a Prophetic religion. Describe the Concept of World in a Prophetic religion. (12+8=20)
- 4) Discuss the role of Intermediaries between humans and God or the Divine in religions with special reference to the Tribal Religions. (20)
- 5) Discuss the theories related to the origin of religion with special reference to Totemism. What is the purpose of a Totem? (15+5=20)
- 6) Write short notes on *any four* of the following: (5+5+5+5=20)
  - a) Henotheism
  - b) Agnosticism
  - c) Gnosticism
  - d) Incarnation Theory
  - e) Deism
  - f) Atheism

**Final Examination - 2024**

**Four Year Undergraduate Programme - Comparative Religion (Major)**

**Paper: SECCR01 – Study Skills (Semester – I)**

**Duration: 3 Hrs**

**Max. Marks: 60**

**Questions are of value as indicated in the margin  
Answer any FOUR of the following questions:**

1. How does listening skill play a major role in the process of learning? Explain briefly different types of listening. 5 + 10
  2. Describe briefly the SQ3R method of reading a book and highlight the barriers of reading skill. 10 + 5
  3. Explain briefly different types of writing and bring out the important components of assignment writing. 7.5 + 7.5
  4. Write an essay on different types of thinking skill with appropriate examples. 15
  5. What is memory skill? Describe briefly the importance and barriers of memory skill. 3 + 6 + 6
  6. Write a short note on Any Three of the followings: 3 X 5 = 15
    - i. Interest of Learning
    - ii. Importance of Concentration
    - iii. Understanding Ability
    - iv. Necessity of Practice in Learning
    - v. Self Confidence
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**B.A. Examination, 2024**

**Semester I**

**Comparative Religion**

**Course: MJCR02**

**Introduction to Religions of Non-Indian Origin**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Full Marks: 80**

**Questions are of value as indicated in the margin**

**Answer any four questions.**

1. Write an essay on the life of Jesus Christ. What impact did Jesus's crucifixion and resurrection make on Christian faith and practices? Discuss 10+10=20
2. What is Crusade? Explain various types of Crusades. 10+10=20
3. Write an essay on the early life of Prophet Muhammad. How did Prophet Muhammad's teachings, extending beyond religious preaching, influenced the social reformers? Explain. 10+10=20
4. What do you mean by Islamic Caliphate? Describe the major achievements of second Caliph Hadrat Umar. 20
5. "Battle of Bard, Uhd and Khandaq were the defensive battles of Prophet" - Do you agree with it? Give reasons for your answer. 20
6. Write short note on any two of the following: 10+10=20
  - (a) Basic features of Judaism
  - (b) Madina in Charter
  - (c) Hudaibiya Treaty
  - (d) God in Judaism

**B.A. (Honours) Examination, 2024**

**Semester – I (NEP)**

**Comparative Religion**

**MJCR01: Introduction to Religions of Indian Origin**

**Time: 3 Hours**

**Full Marks: 80**

**Questions are of value as indicated in the margin.**

**Answer any four questions.**

1. Briefly explain the worldview of Hinduism with special reference to Upaniṣadic and Purāṇic eras. 20
2. Explain the essential principles of Dhamma of Buddhism. 20
3. Write an essay on the concept of liberation in Jainism. 20
4. Briefly discuss the concept of God in Sikhism. 20
5. Discuss the evolution of Khalsa during the period of Guru Gobind Singh. 20
6. Write short note any two of the following: 7.5+7.5
  - a. Buddhist concept of Anātma
  - b. Ārya-Astāṅgika Mārga
  - c. Buddhist Sangha