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CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION  
Paper 1  
2-<sup>1</sup> HOURS  
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## YAAKA EXAMINATIONS

Uganda Certificate Of Education  
CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
Paper 1

TIME: 2 hours 30 minutes

### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

*This examination consists of SIX items, it has TWO sections A and B. Respond to FOUR items in all.*

*Section A has TWO compulsory items.*

*Section B has TWO parts 1 and 2, respond to ONLY ONE item from each part. Any additional (item) responded to will not be scored.*

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SECTION	ITEM	SCORE(S)	EXAMINER'S SIGNATURE
A	1		
	2		
B	3		
	4		
	5		
	6		
TOTAL			

## Section A (Compulsory)

### Item

Joan, a young Christian lady, is the only breadwinner in her family after her parents lost their jobs. Despite being a committed Christian, she feels overwhelmed by the pressure to provide for her siblings. One day, she is offered a lucrative job by a wealthy businessman who hints that Joan must agree to unethical favors to secure the position. Torn between her faith and her family's needs, Joan contemplates compromising her morals.

Tasks:

- (a). How does Joan's situation reflect the Christian teaching on maintaining integrity in times of need?
- (b). What advice would you offer Joan to help her make a decision that aligns with her Christian values?

### Item 2

Michael, a Christian teenager, was raised in a strict religious family but recently started dating a non-Christian girl who has different beliefs. His parents are against the relationship, fearing it will lead him astray. Michael wants to respect his parents' wishes but is deeply in love and conflicted about what to do.

Tasks:

- (a). Using your knowledge of Christian teachings, how should Michael handle this situation while honoring his parents?
- (b). What guidance does the Bible provide on forming relationships with people of different faiths?

## Section B (Choose one item from each part)

### Part I

### Item 3

Tom, a renowned Christian leader in his community, was caught embezzling funds from a charity meant to support orphaned children. The scandal has shaken the entire community, and many are losing faith in church leaders. Tom claims he was under pressure to support his lavish lifestyle and had no other way to maintain his image.

**Tasks:**

- (a). How should Tom's actions be addressed according to Christian principles of accountability?
- (b). Discuss the impact of such scandals on the faith of believers and the role of the church in restoring trust.

## Item 4

Rita, a Christian high school student, discovered she was pregnant after being coerced into a relationship by an older man. Her parents are strict Christians and have threatened to disown her if she does not terminate the pregnancy. Rita is scared, confused, and unsure of what to do, torn between her faith and fear of losing her family.

**Tasks:**

- (a). How should Rita approach her situation using Christian teachings on forgiveness and grace?
- (b). What role should the church play in supporting young girls in similar situations?

## Part II

## Item 5

Joseph, a respected Christian surgeon, is approached by a desperate couple who ask him to perform an illegal procedure to save their unborn child. Though against his professional and Christian ethics, the couple's emotional plea touches him. He faces the dilemma of breaking the law to save a life or standing by his principles.

**Tasks:**

- (a). Using Christian teachings, discuss how Joseph should respond to this dilemma.
- (b). What guidance does the Bible provide on choosing between following the law and saving a life?

Item 6

Sarah, a married Christian woman, caught her husband cheating but chose to forgive him and rebuild their marriage. However, her in-laws and friends constantly remind her of the betrayal, causing her to feel ashamed and humiliated. Sarah is struggling to move on and finds it hard to trust her husband again.

Tasks:

- (a). How can Sarah use her Christian faith to overcome the emotional trauma of infidelity?
- (b). What does the Bible teach about forgiveness, and how can it be applied in marriage?

**END**

## MARKING GUIDE TO THE ABOVE TASKS

### Section A

#### Item 1: Joan's Situation

##### (a) Maintaining Integrity in Times of Need

Joan's situation highlights the Christian principle of maintaining integrity even under pressure. The Bible emphasizes honesty and trust in God over compromising one's morals (Proverbs 11:3). Joan must remember that her identity in Christ is worth more than any job offer that would cause her to compromise her values (Matthew 6:33). Integrity means choosing what is right over what is easy, trusting that God will provide without requiring unethical actions.

##### (b) Advice to Joan

Joan should seek God's guidance through prayer and counsel from trusted Christian mentors. She should not succumb to unethical offers, as God's word promises that He will provide a way out of every temptation (1 Corinthians 10:13). Joan should continue seeking job opportunities that align with her faith and maintain her trust in God's provision (Philippians 4:19).

#### Item 2: Michael's Situation

##### (a). Handling Relationships with Respect to Parents

Michael should respectfully communicate with his parents about his feelings while also considering their concerns. The Bible advises honoring parents (Ephesians 6:1-3) and not being unequally yoked with unbelievers (2 Corinthians 6:14). Michael should evaluate his relationship and seek God's guidance to make a decision that honors both his faith and his family.

##### (b). Biblical Guidance on Relationships with Non-Believers

The Bible warns against forming close relationships with those of differing beliefs as it can lead to spiritual compromise (2 Corinthians 6:14). Michael should consider if his relationship is helping him grow closer to God or pulling him away. He must prioritize his spiritual well-being and seek relationships that align with his faith.

## **Section B**

### **Part I**

#### **Item 3: Tom's Actions**

##### **(a). Addressing Tom's Actions According to Christian Accountability**

Tom's actions should be addressed with accountability, as the Bible calls for transparency and confession of sins (James 5:16). The church must uphold integrity by holding Tom accountable while also extending forgiveness and a path to restoration.

##### **(b). Impact of Scandals on Faith**

Scandals like Tom's can damage the trust of believers and tarnish the church's reputation. The church must address the issue openly, emphasizing repentance and God's grace, to rebuild trust and restore faith in Christian leadership (1 Timothy 3:2).

#### **Item 4: Rita's Situation**

##### **(a). Approaching Pregnancy with Forgiveness and Grace**

Rita should be supported with love, forgiveness, and grace, as Jesus demonstrated towards sinners (John 8:11). She should be encouraged to keep her child and find comfort in God's forgiveness, understanding that her worth is not diminished by her mistakes.

##### **(b). Church's Role in Supporting Young Girls**

The church should create a supportive environment, offering counseling, material support, and spiritual guidance to young girls in similar situations. The church must be a place of refuge and hope, not judgment (Galatians 6:1-2).

### **Part II**

#### **Item 5: Joseph's Dilemma**

##### **(a). Responding to Ethical Dilemmas in Medicine**

Joseph should adhere to Christian and professional ethics, avoiding any procedure that compromises his faith and legal standards. The Bible emphasizes obedience to God's commandments above human pressures (Acts 5:29).

### **(b). Balancing Law and Saving Life**

While the Bible emphasizes the sanctity of life (Exodus 20:13), it also calls for obedience to the law (Romans 13:1). Joseph should seek legal and ethical ways to assist the couple without compromising his principles.

Item 6: Sarah's Forgiveness in Marriage

### **(a). Overcoming Infidelity's Emotional Trauma**

Sarah can find healing through prayer, counseling, and relying on God's strength. The Bible teaches forgiveness but also sets boundaries for rebuilding trust (Colossians 3:13). Sarah should seek God's guidance in her healing process.

### **(b). Biblical Application of Forgiveness in Marriage**

Forgiveness is crucial in marriage, but it does not mean ignoring the need for change and accountability (Matthew 18:21-22). Sarah must work towards forgiveness while ensuring both partners commit to rebuilding trust.



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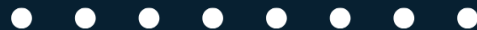
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