



Grade 9 Religious Education Test 2014

SECTION B

ANSWER ALL FOUR QUESTIONS. EACH QUESTION IS WORTH 15 MARKS

QUESTION 1: PRAYER (15 marks)

Bart Simpson wasn't doing well at school. The night before a big test he tried to study but came to the chilling realisation that it was too late. That's when he decided to pray:

"This is hopeless! Well, Old Timer, I guess this is the end of the road. I know I haven't been a good kid, but if I have to go to school tomorrow, I'll fail the test and be held back. I just need one more day to study, Lord. I need your help! A teacher strike, a power failure, a blizzard – anything that will cancel school tomorrow. I know it is asking a lot, but if anyone can do it, you can. Thanking you in advance, your pal, Bart Simpson."

Bart Simpson's prayer gives his way of praying. Jesus taught his disciples to pray by teaching them what is known as the Lord's Prayer which you find printed alongside as a reminder.

Put yourself in Bart Simpson's situation and rewrite his prayer in the way you think Jesus would have encouraged him to pray.

Matthew 6:9-13
New International Version
(NIV)

"This, then, is how you should pray:

*"Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our
debtors.
And lead us not into
temptation,
but deliver us from the evil
one."*

OR

Compare the Lord's Prayer to Bart Simpson's prayer and say what you think is right or wrong about it.

QUESTION 2: LITURGY (15 marks)

On an A4 sheet of paper draw a banner to be used at a Baptism, including on it symbols that represent what takes place in the celebration of the sacrament. Marks will be awarded for content (10) and presentation (5).

QUESTION 3/...

QUESTION 3: SCRIPTURE (15 marks)

John 5:1-9

New International Version (NIV)

The Healing at the Pool

Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. Here a great number of disabled people used to lie – the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, “Do you want to get well?”

“Sir,” the invalid replied, “I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me.”

Then Jesus said to him, “Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.” At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked.

The day on which this took place was a Sabbath.

You have been thinking about the account of the healing of the man at the pool. Now that you understand the *literal* meaning of the text, you need to think of how the *deeper meaning* applies to your own life. To do this, answer the following questions:

- a) What is the deeper meaning of this story? (5)
- b) Name an uncomfortable situation in your life that you feel unable to change..... (2)
- c) Is there anything at all you could do about it?..... (3)
- d) What sort of help might bring about a change in this situation? (3)
- e) Can you name a person or persons that might be able to offer such help? (2)

QUESTION 4: PERSONAL MORALITY (15 marks)

Scenario

You are with a group who is going to stay overnight at a friend’s house. However, your friend’s parents are out of town overnight and do not know about the planned party. Your own parents assume that adults will be present. Your friend, who will host the party, points out that there is a large supply of liquor at hand. Everyone can get thoroughly drunk and sleep it off, and so no-one’s parents need find out what has happened. Suppose that you decide to go along with this.

Consider possible consequences of your choice with reference to these two questions:

- a) What might happen if I do this? (10)
- b) What might happen if everyone did it? (5)



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