NEXT EXAMINATIONS BOARD

PRIMARY FOUR SOCIAL STUDIES WITH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MARKING GUIDE

End of Term 3, 2026

SECTION A (40 MARKS)

Questions 1 to 40 carry one mark each.

1. Name any one requirement of a school going child.
- **School uniform**
- **Books / pens**
- **School bag**

2. Name the domestic animal that provides security at home.
- **Dog**

3. Why do people sun-dry fish?
- **To preserve it for a long time**
- **To prevent it from rotting**

4. State any one importance of a plateau in an area.
- **Good for farming / settlement**
- **Minerals may be mined from it**

5. Give any one reason why people are given names.
- **For identity**
- **So that people can call them**

6. How is Lake Victoria important to people who live near it?
- **Fishing**
- **Water for domestic use**
- **Transport**

7. Mention any one reason why people carry out economic activities.
- **To earn income**
- **To get basic needs**

8. How is a rain gauge useful to farmers?
- **It measures the amount of rainfall so they know when to plant**

9. Why is water known as a basic need?
- **It is needed for life**
- **We need it for drinking, cooking and washing**

10. How does the title of a map help a map reader?
- **It tells the map reader what the map is about**

11. Give any one way of controlling soil erosion in the compound.
- **Planting grass**
- **Mulching**
- **Terracing**

12. Name any one crop that grows well in a swamp.
- **Rice**
- **Yams**
- **Sugarcane**

13. State any one use of a forest to a carpenter.
- **Provides timber / wood for making furniture**

14. Mention any one reason why road signs are used along roads.
- **To guide road users**
- **To prevent accidents**

15. Write any one reason why people practise farming.
- **To get food**
- **To earn income**

16. Give the meaning of the term vegetation.
- **The plant cover of an area**
- **The plants growing in an area**

17. State any one duty of a leader in our community.
- **Settles conflicts**
- **Makes rules / protects people**
- **Leads people in development work**

18. Mention any one type of weather that requires the use of an umbrella.
- **Rainy weather**
- **Sunny weather**

19. Give one reason why people attend cultural festivals.
- **To learn about culture**
- **To entertain themselves / meet people**

20. Write any one reason why leaders encourage people to co-operate.
- **To work together and achieve development**
- **To bring peace and unity**

21. Give one reason why many people settle in areas near mountains.
- **Fertile soils**
- **Reliable rainfall**
- **Cool climate**

22. State one use of a signpost to a school.
- **Shows direction to the school**
- **Gives information about the school**

23. Write any one reason why commercial banks give loans to people.
- **To help people start or expand businesses**
- **To earn interest**

24. Mention any one basic need a school provides to children.
- **Education**
- **Food**
- **Water**

25. State any one reason why donkeys are used for transport in hilly areas.
- **They can climb steep slopes**
- **They are strong and cheap to keep**

26. Why is a birthday party called a social activity?
- **It brings people together to celebrate**
- **People interact and share**

27. Mention any one activity done during school assembly to promote personal hygiene.
- **Checking nails and uniforms**
- **Hygiene talks / songs**

28. State any one way parents ensure good health of their children.
- **Providing a balanced diet**
- **Immunising children / taking them to hospital**

29. Give any one reason for the increasing number of street children in Uganda.
- **Poverty**
- **Death of parents**
- **Family conflicts / war**

30. Mention any one danger of drought in an area.
- **Famine / hunger**
- **Death of animals**
- **Crops fail**

31. Name the place on major roads that pedestrians use to cross busy roads.
- **Zebra crossing**
- **Pedestrian crossing / foot bridge**

32. Why is Mount Rwenzori important to the people around it?
- **Source of rivers / rain**
- **Tourist attraction**

33. Give the reason why people in hilly areas terrace their land.
- **To control soil erosion**
- **To get flat land for growing crops**

34. Name the line of latitude marked 0°.
- **Equator**

35. State any one role of the head of a family.
- **Provides basic needs**
- **Protects the family / makes decisions**

For each of the questions 36 to 40, answer either the Christian or the Islamic question but not both. No marks will be awarded to a candidate who attempts both alternatives in a particular number.

36. EITHER: Mention any one way in which diseases affect Christian families.
OR: Mention any one way in which diseases affect Muslim families.
- **Christian / Muslim: they cause death**
- **Family money is spent on treatment**
- **Members cannot work**

37. EITHER: Who led the Israelites out of Egypt?
OR: Who led the Banu-Israelites out of Misiri (Egypt)?
- **Moses (Christian)**
- **Musa (Islam)**

38. EITHER: Why did Jesus Christ perform miracles?
OR: Why did Prophet Muhammad perform miracles?
- **Jesus: to show God's power / to help the needy / to make people believe**
- **Prophet Muhammad: to show Allah's power / to make people believe**

39. EITHER: Why should Christians refuse temptation from the devil?
OR: Why should Muslims refuse temptation from Shaytan?
- **Christian: to avoid sin / to remain close to God**
- **Muslim: to avoid sin / to please Allah**

40. EITHER: Why should a Christian work hard?
OR: Why should a Muslim work hard?
- **To get basic needs**
- **To please God (Christian) / Allah (Muslim)**
- **To avoid poverty**

SECTION B (60 MARKS)

Questions 41 to 55 carry four marks each.

41. Informal education was the type of education that existed long ago in Uganda. It was replaced by formal education.
a) Which group of foreigners introduced formal education?
b) Mention one place where formal education is conducted.
c) Give any two advantages of education to the people in our district.

(a) Missionaries (1)
(b) School / college / university / vocational institute, any one (1)
(c) Helps people get jobs / improves health / helps people read and write / improves farming, any two (1 mark each)

42. a) What name is given to roads that connect villages to the main road?
b) State any two ways in which such roads have promoted the development of rural areas.
c) Write any one way in which people take care of roads in their communities.

(a) Feeder roads (1)
(b) Help farmers to transport produce / make trade easy / make movement easy / bring services nearer, any two (1 mark each)
(c) Repairing them / digging drains / filling potholes / planting grass, any one (1)

43. The photograph below shows an important place in a community. Use it to answer the questions that follow.
a) Name the important place shown in the photograph.
b) Mention any two benefits of such a place to members of the community.
c) State one problem faced by people working from the place above.



(a) Market (1)
(b) People buy and sell goods / source of income / source of food / people meet, any two (1 mark each)
(c) Dirt and poor sanitation / floods when it rains / thieves / lack of shelter / fire, any one (1)

44. a) Write any two cash crops grown in the community.
b) In which two ways has the growing of cash crops helped to improve people's living conditions?
(a) Coffee / tea / cotton / tobacco / cocoa, any two (1 mark each)
(b) Earn money / build better houses / pay school fees / buy food / create jobs, any two (1 mark each)

45. a) Write any two elements of weather.
b) Mention any two weather disasters caused by heavy rainfall in an area.
(a) Rainfall / sunshine / wind / temperature / cloud cover / humidity, any two (1 mark each)
(b) Floods / landslides / soil erosion / lightning, any two (1 mark each)

46. a) What is communication?
b) Give any two modern means of communication.
c) Give any one reason why children should listen to radio programmes.
(a) Passing information or messages from one person or place to another (1)
(b) Telephone / internet / email / television / social media / newspapers, any two (1 mark each)
(c) They learn / get information / are entertained, any one (1)

47. a) Name one international airport found in Uganda.
b) Which type of transport uses airports?
c) Give any two causes of road accidents.
(a) Entebbe International Airport (1)
(b) Air transport (1)
(c) Over speeding / drunk driving / overloading / bad roads / reckless driving, any two (1 mark each)

48. Match the social service centres in list A to the social services they provide in list B correctly.
List A: Hospital, School, Taxi parks, Police station
List B: Transport service, Education service, Health services, Security services

(i) Hospital: Health services (1)
(ii) School: Education service (1)
(iii) Taxi parks: Transport service (1)
(iv) Police station: Security services (1)

49. a) In which one way are parents important to their children?
b) Mention any two responsibilities of children at home.
c) Why is it important for every child to have a name?

(a) Provide basic needs / protect them / educate them / love them, any one (1)
(b) Washing utensils / fetching water / sweeping / obeying parents, any two (1 mark each)
(c) For identity / so that people can call him or her (1)

50. Many youths in our district have left villages to go and settle in towns in order to look for jobs and better social services.
a) Name the form of migration identified above.
b) State two dangers of the above kind of migration.
c) Give one way we can encourage those youths to return and settle in villages.

(a) Rural-urban migration (1)
(b) Overcrowding in towns / unemployment / crime / slums / diseases / high cost of living, any two (1 mark each)
(c) Provide services like schools, hospitals, roads and electricity in villages / create jobs / give loans for farming, any one (1)

For each of the questions 51 to 55, answer either the Christian or the Islamic question but not both. No marks will be awarded to a candidate who attempts both alternatives in a particular number.

51. EITHER: a) What do we call the fasting period for Christians?
b) Mention any two reasons why Christians fast.
c) Give any one thing Christians do during fasting.
OR: a) What do we call the fasting period for Muslims?
b) Mention any two reasons why Muslims fast.
c) Give any one thing Muslims do during fasting.

(a) Christian: Lent. Islam: Ramadhan (1)
(b) Christian: to get close to God / to seek forgiveness / to follow Jesus who fasted. Islam: obedience to Allah / to feel for the poor / self control, any two (1 mark each)
(c) Christian: pray / read the Bible / give to the needy. Islam: abstain from food and drink from dawn to sunset / read the Quran / pray, any one (1)

52. EITHER: a) Give the meaning of the term prayer as used in Christianity.
b) Write any two reasons why Christians pray in times of trouble.
c) Why do Christians sing and dance in church?
OR: a) Give the meaning of the term salat as used in Islam.
b) Write any two reasons why Muslims pray in times of trouble.
c) Give any one reason why men sit separately from women during salat.

(a) Christian: talking to God. Islam: salat is the five daily prayers of Muslims (1)
(b) To ask for help / comfort / protection / forgiveness, any two (1 mark each)
(c) Christian: to praise and thank God. Islam: to avoid distraction / show respect (1)

53. EITHER: a) In which town was Jesus Christ born?
b) Mention any two ways Jesus showed love for the people.
c) How were miracles important to believers during the days of Jesus Christ?
OR: a) In which town was Prophet Muhammad born?
b) Mention any two ways Prophet Muhammad showed love to people.
c) How were miracles important to believers during Prophet Muhammad's days?

(a) Christian: Bethlehem. Islam: Mecca (1)
(b) Healed the sick / fed the hungry / forgave sinners / blessed children / helped the poor / was kind to orphans, any two (1 mark each)
(c) They made people believe / helped needy people / showed the power of God (Allah) (1)

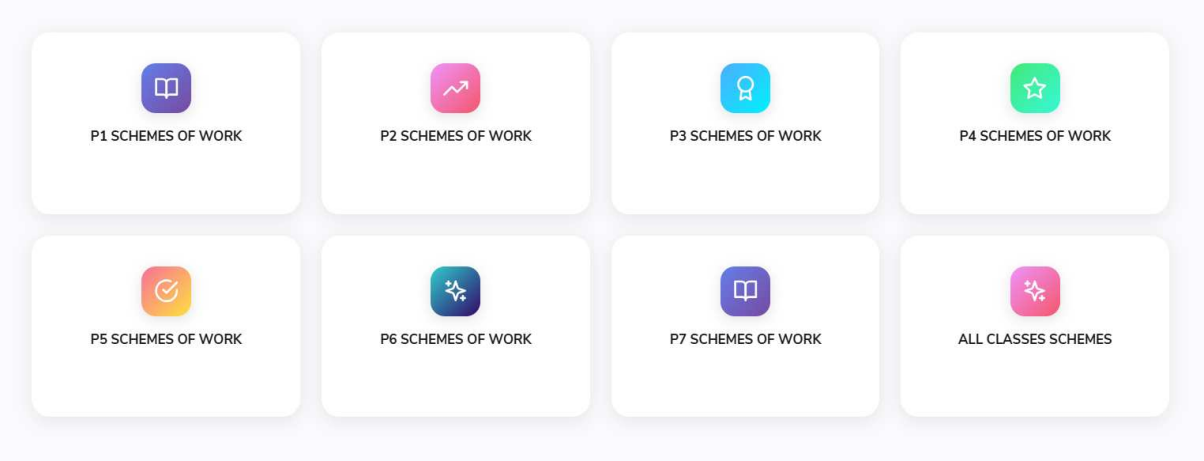
54. EITHER: a) Name what was created by God on the following days: i) first day, ii) sixth day.
b) State any two reasons why God created man.
OR: a) Name what was created by Allah on the following days: i) first day, ii) sixth day.
b) State any two reasons why Allah created man.

(a) Christian: First day: light. Sixth day: man and land animals. (1 mark each)
(a) Islam: accept the answers taught in your class (1 mark each)
(b) To worship and praise God (Allah) / to take care of creation / to have fellowship, any two (1 mark each)

55. EITHER: Match the sacraments in list A to their meaning in list B correctly.
List A: Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation, Penance
List B: Enables one's sins to be forgiven; Strengthens one's faith in God; Reminds Christians about the suffering and death of Jesus Christ; Cleanses the original sin
OR: Match the items in list A with those in list B correctly.
List A: Hegira, Miraj, Hijja, Isra
List B: Prophet Muhammad went to Janah and came back in one night; Holy journey to Mecca performed by all faithful and mature Muslims; Prophet Muhammad's journey from Mecca to Jerusalem; The journey of Prophet Muhammad from Mecca to Medina in 622 A.D.

- **Christian: Baptism: cleanses the original sin (1) Holy Communion: reminds Christians about the suffering and death of Jesus Christ (1) Confirmation: strengthens one's faith in God (1) Penance: enables one's sins to be forgiven (1)**
- **Islam: Hegira: journey from Mecca to Medina in 622 A.D. (1) Miraj: Prophet Muhammad went to Janah and came back in one night (1) Hijja: holy journey to Mecca performed by all faithful and mature Muslims (1) Isra: Prophet Muhammad's journey from Mecca to Jerusalem (1)**

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