






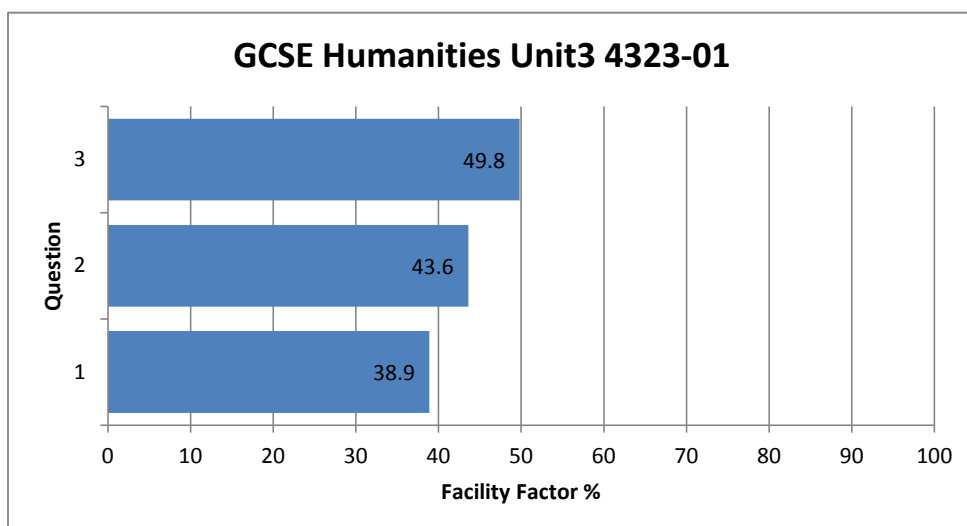


GCSE Humanities Unit3 4323-01

All Candidates' performance across questions

						
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CHRISTIANITY AND CONTEMPORARY LIFESTYLES

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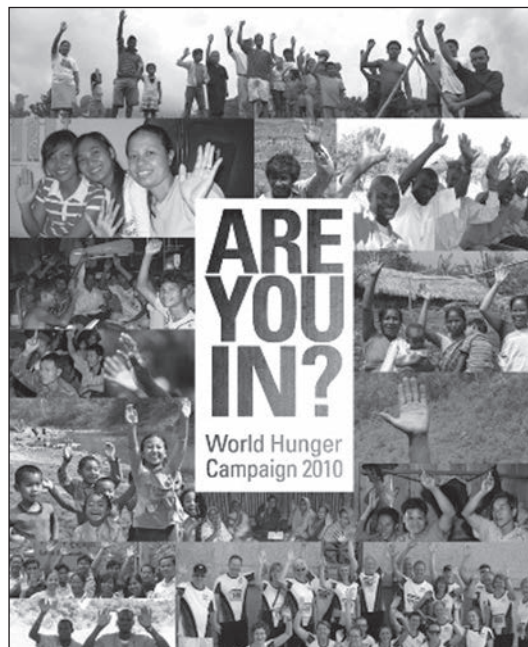
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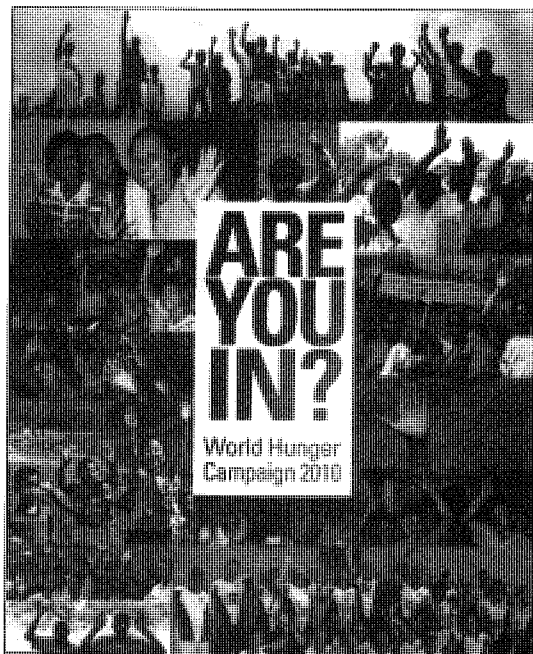
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During a Christian wedding, the priest will first state his views on marriage and why we marry today, we then declare ^{our love} to each other ^{and} how we will stick by one another through everything (richness and health)... always finishing with 'til death do us part' - showing marriage is for life time. This is then followed by the couples personal vows, the exchanging of the rings (which are first blessed by the priest) and ~~then~~ finishing the service with the proclamation. Hymns and readings are often performed throughout the service at the couple's will.

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Family is important to Christians because that is the foundation of your Christian belief and life. Christians believe that you should live in a nuclear family with a good (or substantial) financial income, with commitment to one another and, trust. Jesus taught that 'one should respect their mother and father.'

Also, Christians find it very important to 'respect your elders' and so this means to create an extended family ^{and} be prepared to ask your mother and father to ^{live} ~~live~~ with you and to ^{invite} ~~invite~~ them into your home when they fit in well. It's also acceptable in Christian beliefs to pay for them to live in a good home if it's not pleasurable to invite them into your home (they have a bad illness and need constant care).

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(a protestant's view)⁷

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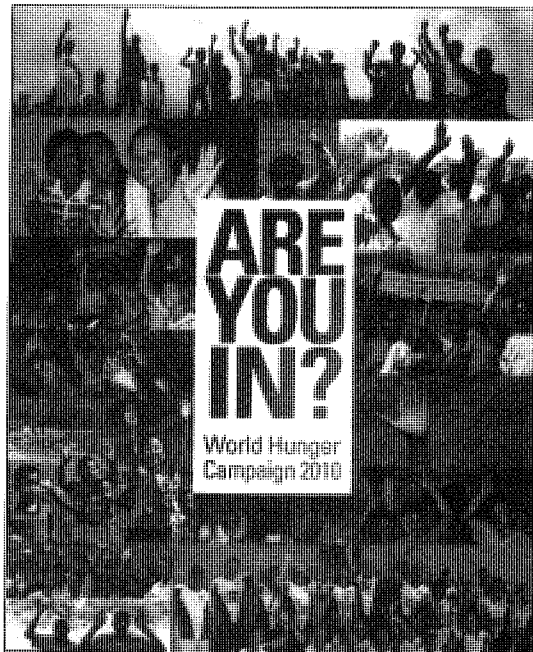
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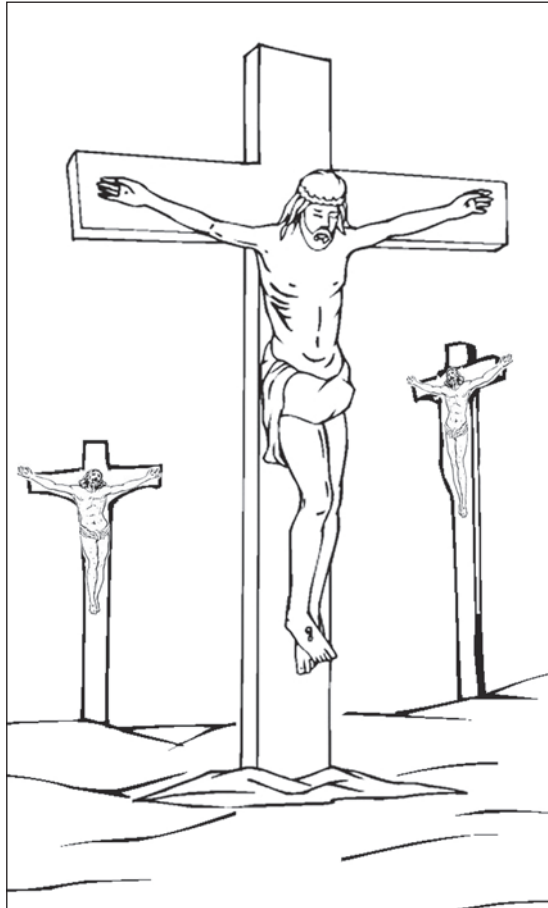
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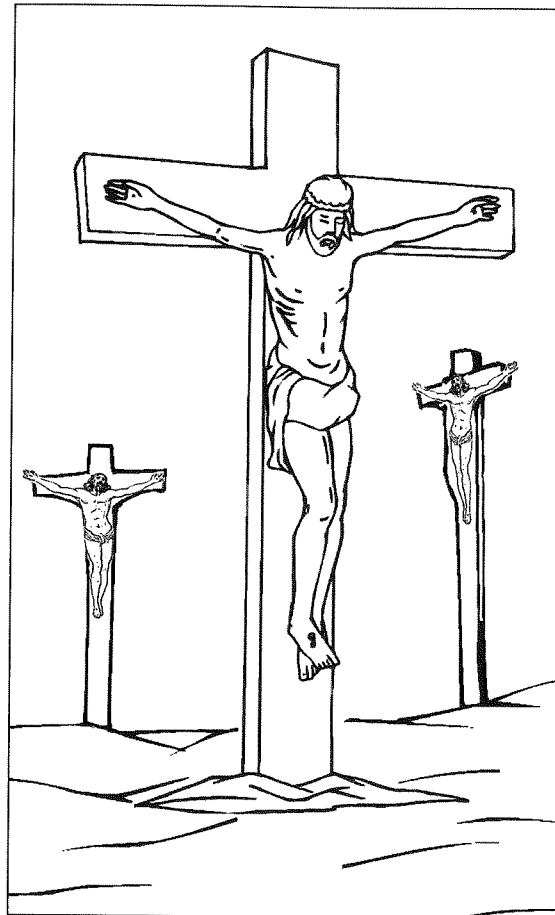
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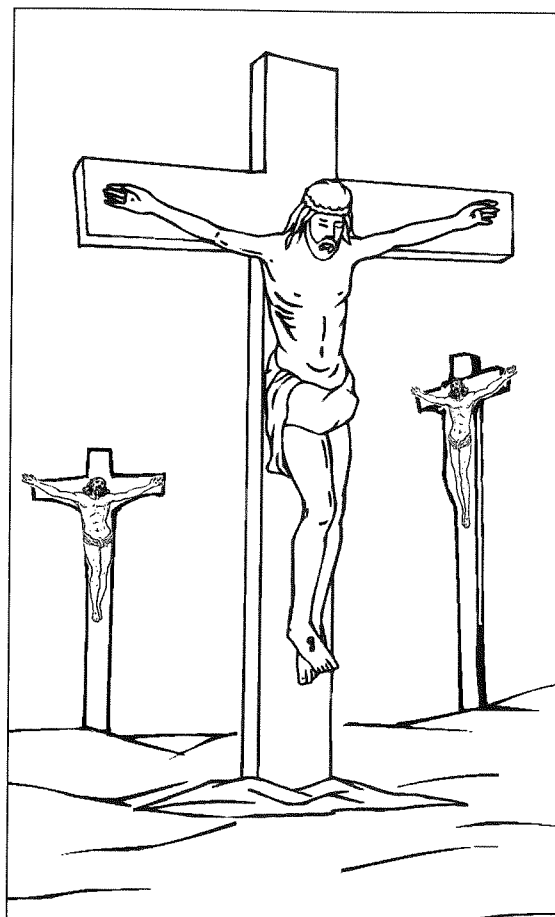
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