5.4 Marriage and Same-Sex Marriage: 10-minute Pack

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Total Marks

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Answer ALL questions.

1 This question checks key vocabulary used when discussing marriage.

(a) State what is meant by marriage. **(1)**

(b) State what is meant by a civil partnership. **(1)**

(c) State what is meant by same-sex marriage. **(1)**

(d) State what is meant by cohabitation. **(1)**

(e) State what is meant by adultery. **(1)**

(Total for Question 1 is 5 marks)

2 Give three facts about the law on marriage in England and Wales.

(Total for Question 2 is 3 marks)

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3 Explain two religious teachings about the purpose of marriage. Refer to a source of wisdom and authority in your answer.

(Total for Question 3 is 4 marks)

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Question 1

(a) the legal and/or religious union of two people as spouses, oe **B1**

(a) Answer: The legal and/or religious union of two people as spouses.

(b) a legally recognised partnership, giving similar legal rights to marriage, that can be formed without a religious ceremony, oe **B1**

(b) Answer: A legally recognised partnership, giving similar legal rights to marriage, that does not need a religious ceremony.

(c) a legal marriage between two people of the same sex, oe **B1**

(c) Answer: A legal marriage between two people of the same sex.

(d) living together as a couple without being married, oe **B1**

(d) Answer: Living together as a couple without being married.

(e) a married person having a voluntary sexual relationship with someone other than their spouse, oe **B1**

(e) Answer: A married person having a voluntary sexual relationship with someone other than their spouse.

Question 2

any one accurate fact, e.g. the minimum legal age to marry is 18; same-sex marriage has been legal since the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013; a marriage must be registered, with two witnesses present; both people must freely consent; marriage is between two people only (bigamy is illegal); close relatives cannot marry; it can be a civil or religious ceremony; divorce is possible without blaming either partner (since 2022), oe **B1**

a second, different accurate fact, oe **B1**

a third, different accurate fact, oe **B1**

Answer: Any three, e.g. the minimum age to marry is 18; same-sex marriage legal since the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013; a marriage must be registered with witnesses to be legally valid.

Question 3

point 1: a relevant, accurate religious teaching about the purpose of marriage from any religion, e.g. many Christians believe marriage unites a couple in a lifelong, exclusive relationship; for procreation and bringing up children in faith; companionship and stability, oe **B1**

development of point 1, e.g. Genesis 2:24: a man is united to his wife and 'they become one flesh'; Genesis 1:28 'be fruitful and multiply', oe **B1**

point 2: a second, different teaching (same or another religion), e.g. many Muslims believe marriage provides companionship and stability and is the foundation of family life; in Judaism marriage is a holy covenant (kiddushin), oe **B1**

development of point 2, e.g. Islamic teaching describes spouses as a source of comfort and tranquility for one another; reference to a relevant source of wisdom and authority, oe **B1**

Answer: Any two developed teachings from any religion, e.g. Christian teaching that marriage unites a couple as 'one flesh' (Genesis 2:24); Islamic teaching on marriage as a source of comfort and stability.

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