9.2 Restorative Justice: Religious Rehabilitation Schemes for Offenders: 10-minute Pack

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Answer ALL questions.

1 Which one of the following UK schemes is best known for bringing victims and offenders together in a structured, restorative workshop, drawing on Christian ideas of repentance?

- ☐ A Prison Fellowship's Sycamore Tree Programme
- ☐ B Muslim Hands family grants
- ☐ C Salvation Army night shelter
- ☐ D St John's Ambulance first aid training

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

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2 Give two aims of religious rehabilitation schemes for offenders, as practised by Christian and Muslim groups in UK prisons.

(Total for Question 2 is 2 marks)

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3 Give three features of a typical Sycamore Tree Programme workshop used in UK prisons, naming the context of victim and offender participation.

(Total for Question 3 is 3 marks)

4 Give three reasons why faith-based rehabilitation schemes run by religious groups might help reduce reoffending, relating the reasons to UK prison practice.

(Total for Question 4 is 4 marks)

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Question 1

selecting A, Prison Fellowship's Sycamore Tree Programme, as the restorative workshop scheme **B1**

Answer: A

Question 2

aim 1: to encourage offenders to take responsibility and make amends, oe **B1**

aim 2: to support offenders to reform so they can reintegrate into society, oe **B1**

Answer: Any two: encourage responsibility and amends; support reform and reintegration.

Question 3

feature 1: structured sessions where offenders meet victims or victim statements under guidance, oe **B1**

feature 2: use of the Bible story of Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10), from which the programme takes its name, to reflect on repentance and repayment, oe **B1**

feature 3: facilitated opportunities for offenders to take responsibility and plan reparation, oe **B1**

Answer: Any three: structured guided meetings with victims or victim statements; use of the story of Zacchaeus, from which the programme takes its name; facilitated responsibility and reparation planning.

Question 4

reason 1: they offer personal mentoring and support that can change attitudes and behaviour, oe **B1**

reason 2: they provide practical resettlement help such as housing and employment links, oe **B1**

reason 3: they encourage offenders to make amends and accept responsibility which can reduce reoffending, oe **B1**

development: at least one reason must be linked to a specific UK practice such as chaplaincy mentoring or charity family support, oe **B1**

Answer: E.g. mentoring changes attitudes; practical resettlement help like housing referrals; encouraging responsibility and reparation via restorative work such as Sycamore Tree.

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