**Equipment you will need: pen**

**Assessment description:**

Your assessment is a 12 mark question.

The question is:

“If God were loving, there would be no suffering in the world.” Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:

* refer to Christian teaching
* give developed arguments to support this statement
* give developed arguments to support a different point of view
* reach a justified conclusion**.**

Here is the generic markscheme for 12 mark questions.

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| **Level** | **Criteria** | **Mark** |
| 4 | A well-argued response, reasoned consideration of different points of view. Logical chains of reasoning leading to judgement(s) supported by knowledge and understanding of relevant evidence and information. **References to religion applied to the issue.**  | 10-12 |
| 3 | Reasoned consideration of different points of view. Logical chains of reasoning that draw on knowledge and understanding of relevant evidence and information. **Clear reference to religion.**  | 7-9 |
| 2 | Reasoned consideration of a point of view. A logical chain of reasoning drawing on knowledge and understanding of relevant evidence and information. **OR** Recognition of different points of view, each supported by relevant reasons / evidence. **Maximum of Level 2 if there is no reference to religion.**  | 4-6 |
| 1 | Point of view with reason(s) stated in support. | 1-3 |
| 0 | Nothing worthy of credit | 0 |

**Revision List**

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