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RESIT/SPECIAL EXAMINATION**

**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
RELI 100: INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF RELIGION**

STREAMS: B.ED

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 01/11/2021

11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION A AND ANY TWO IN SECTION B**

SECTION A

1. a) Explain what the term religion means. (10 marks)
b) Assess the difficulties faced by scholars in their attempt to study religion. (10 marks)
c) Highlight the theories that explain the origin of religion. (10 marks)
d) Describe the characteristics of religion. (10 marks)
e) Explain the significant value of religious symbols. (10 marks)

SECTION B

2. Discuss the role of religion in the social, economic and political sphere of the society (10 marks)
3. Highlight the contribution of any three of the following scholars in the study of religion:
 - (i) Max Weber (10 marks)
 - (ii) Erick Erickson (10 marks)
 - (iii) Sigmund Freud (10 marks)
 - (iv) Karl Max (10 marks)

4. Explain what the term secularism means and by way of relevant examples, discuss its impact in religious beliefs and practices. (10 marks)
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