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Education  
**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

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SENIOR CERTIFICATE**

**GRADE 12**

**RELIGION STUDIES P2**

**EXEMPLAR 2008**

**MARKS: 150**

**TIME: 2 hours**

**This question paper consists of 3 pages.**

**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

1. This question paper consists of FOUR questions.
2. Answer any THREE questions.
3. Read ALL the questions carefully.
4. Number the answers correctly according to the numbering system used in this question paper.
5. The length of your answers must be in accordance with the marks allocated to each question.
6. Write neatly and legibly.

**Answer any THREE of the following four questions.**

**QUESTION 1**

Discuss the following three different branches of Buddhism:

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|-----|--------------------|-------------|
| 1.1 | Theravada Buddhism | (16)        |
| 1.2 | Mahayana Buddhism  | (16)        |
| 1.3 | Vajrayana Buddhism | (18)        |
|     |                    | <b>[50]</b> |

**QUESTION 2**

Discuss the concepts *divine inspiration*, *oral tradition* and *sacred books* in the context of different religions.

**[50]**

**QUESTION 3**

Define the concepts *teaching* and *belief*, and explain their roles in a variety of religions.

**[50]**

**QUESTION 4**

Develop a strategy towards solving any major social problem in South Africa.

**[50]**

**TOTAL: 150**