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To: Management Authorities of Second Level Schools

Leaving Certificate Religious Education 2010

Prescribed Titles for Practical Coursework

1. A new syllabus for Leaving Certificate Religious Education was introduced in September 2003 and was examined for the first time in 2005.
2. The syllabus indicates that the assessment of Religious Education will have two elements:
(1) a final written paper, and (2) coursework.
3. The subject will be assessed externally at Ordinary Level and at Higher Level. **At both levels, coursework will account for 20% of the marks.**
4. The titles for coursework for the Leaving Certificate examination 2010 are attached. These titles are common to Ordinary Level and Higher Level. Candidates are required to submit coursework on **one title only** taken from **either** Section E **or** Section H. Candidates should note that they will **not** be examined on these sections of the syllabus in the **written** examination in 2010.
5. Guidelines for undertaking coursework are included in *Religious Education Leaving Certificate Higher and Ordinary Level - Guidelines for Teachers* which was issued with the syllabus in June 2003.
6. The coursework must be submitted in a standard form in a booklet, which will be issued in due course for that purpose. The coursework booklet will be broken into two components, Part A and Part B.
 - Part A will request a summary of the candidate's investigation of the chosen title.
 - Part B will be for the candidate's personal reflection on the learning, skills and experience gained through undertaking coursework on the chosen title.
7. Please bring this circular and the attached list of coursework titles to the notice of the teachers concerned.
8. Please provide a copy of this circular to the appropriate representatives of parents and teachers for transmission to individual parents and teachers.
9. If you have any queries regarding this circular please telephone 090 644 2746/2825.

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PRESCRIBED TITLES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COURSEWORK

FOR LEAVING CERTIFICATE 2010

A choice of two titles is given in each of Sections E and H below. Candidates should base their coursework on **one** title only, taken from **either** Section E **or** Section H.

SECTION E: RELIGION AND GENDER

E.1. ◆ Buddhism ◆ Christianity ◆ Hinduism ◆ Islam ◆ Judaism

Research the connection between the way people worship and the roles of men and women in **one** of the above major world religions today.

E.2. *Jesus was radical in his treatment of women.*

An investigation into the evidence for this statement with reference to **two** encounters between Jesus and women in the Gospels.

SECTION H: THE BIBLE: LITERATURE AND SACRED TEXT

H.1. Conduct a case study about the influence of the Bible on a piece of work in **one** of the following areas: • Art • Literature • Music

H.2. The Bible has been described as a library of different types of books.

- The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:1-21)
- The Transfiguration (Mark: 9:2-13)
- Hannah's Song of Thanks (1Samuel 2:1-10)
- The Sermon on the Plain (Luke 6:20-49)
- Israel Restored (Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12)
- The Prologue (John 1:1-18)

An enquiry into the importance of literary genre for the appreciation of **one** of the above biblical texts by believers today.