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Class :	7A
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- The most important thing to remember in taking an exam is NEVER PANIC.
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2. **What was special about the Church of Antioch? Give two reasons. (2 marks)**

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4. **Which of the five churches do you think had the most influence? Choose one and explain why. (3 marks)**

Section B – Paul the Apostle and the Spread of Christianity (10 marks)

5. **Who was Paul before he became a Christian? What changed his life? (2 marks)**

6. **How did Paul help Christianity grow in the Roman Empire? (3 marks)**

7. **Explain one way the Roman Empire made Paul's work easier. (2 marks)**

8. **What was the long-term effect of Paul's letters and journeys? (3 marks)**

Section C – Cause and Effect (2 marks)

Match each cause to its effect. Write your answer like this: 1 → A

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2. Christianity welcomed poor people	B. His letters were used in churches
3. Roman Empire had roads and peace	C. It spread to non-Jewish people
4. Christianity became legal	D. Missionaries could travel easily

Write:

1 → _____
2 → _____
3 → _____
4 → _____

Section D – Writing (8 marks)

"In 1054, the Christian Church split into two parts: the Roman Catholic Church in the West and the Eastern Orthodox Church in the East."

Write a Text explaining the causes and effects of this Great Schism.
In your answer, you should:

- **Mention two reasons why the Church split**
- **Explain how beliefs or leadership were different in the East and West**
- **Describe how the split affected the Christian world**
- **Give your opinion: do you think this split could have been avoided? Why or why not?**

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Worked Solution:

Section A – The First Christian Churches (12 marks)

1. Name the first Christian church and explain why it was important.
Answer:
The first Christian church was the Church of Jerusalem.
It was important because it was the place where Christianity began, right after Jesus' resurrection. Many of Jesus' followers, including the Apostles, gathered there, and it became the center of early Christian teaching.

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2. What was special about the Church of Antioch? Give two reasons.
Answer:

- **It was the first place where followers of Jesus were called "Christians."**
- **It became the main center for spreading Christianity to Gentiles (non-Jews). Missionaries like Paul and Barnabas were based there.**

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3. Choose two churches and compare them.
Example: Church of Jerusalem vs Church of Rome

- **Location: Jerusalem is in modern-day Israel/Palestine; Rome is in Italy, the capital of the Roman Empire.**
- **Language: The Church of Jerusalem used Aramaic and Hebrew; the Church of Rome used Latin and some Greek.**
- **Role: The Church of Jerusalem was the first church and focused on Jewish Christians; the Church of Rome became powerful politically and spiritually, eventually becoming the seat of the Pope.**

(Other valid combinations accepted with correct differences.)

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4. Which of the five churches do you think had the most influence? Explain why.
Example Answer:
I think the Church of Rome had the most influence because it became the center of Christianity in the Western world. The bishop of Rome became the Pope, the leader of the Roman Catholic Church, and Rome was the

capital of the empire, which gave the church great political and religious power.

(Other valid answers accepted if well justified, such as Alexandria for learning or Constantinople for Eastern Orthodoxy.)

Section B – Paul the Apostle and the Spread of Christianity (10 marks)

5. Who was Paul before he became a Christian? What changed his life?
Answer:
Paul was a Jewish Pharisee named Saul who persecuted Christians. His life changed when he had a vision of Jesus on the road to Damascus. He converted to Christianity and became a missionary.

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6. How did Paul help Christianity grow in the Roman Empire?
Answer:

- **He traveled across the empire to teach people about Jesus.**
- **He founded Christian communities in cities.**
- **He wrote letters (epistles) to teach and support Christians, which became part of the New Testament.**

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7. Explain one way the Roman Empire made Paul's work easier.
Answer:
The Roman Empire had good roads and peace (Pax Romana), which made travel safe. Paul used these roads to move between cities and spread Christianity more quickly.

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8. What was the long-term effect of Paul's letters and journeys?
Answer:
Paul's letters helped teach Christian beliefs and guide new churches. Over time, they became part of the New Testament and helped Christianity grow into a global religion. His work helped include Gentiles in the faith.

Section C – Cause and Effect (2 marks)

Match each cause to its effect:

1 → B (Paul travelled to many cities → His letters were used in churches)
2 → C (Christianity welcomed poor people → It spread to non-Jewish people)
3 → D (Roman Empire had roads and peace → Missionaries could travel easily)
4 → A (Christianity became legal → Christians became leaders in Rome)

Section D – Writing: The Great Schism (6 marks)

Sample Full Answer:
In 1054, the Christian Church split into two parts: the Roman Catholic Church in the West and the Eastern Orthodox Church in the East. One reason for the split was that the Pope in Rome claimed to be the head of all Christians, while the East believed that all bishops were equal. Another reason was differences in beliefs and practices, like the use of bread in communion and whether priests could marry.

In the West, the Pope became very powerful, while in the East, the Patriarch of Constantinople led the church with help from other bishops. The split caused conflict and division between Christians for centuries. It weakened unity in Christianity and led to different traditions.

In my opinion, the split might have been avoided if both sides had been more willing to compromise and respect each other's traditions. But politics and power made this very difficult.