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WOMEN AND RELIGION

INSTRUCTIONS

Write an essay about women and religion in response to ONE of the questions below.

Space for planning is provided on page 4 of this booklet. Begin your answer on page 5.

EITHER: QUESTION ONE

Jetsunma Tenzin Palmo (a senior Western Tibetan Buddhist nun)

Paola Garcia (a writer, a Sufi dance teacher, and a passionate student of Sufism and Islamic philosophy)

Many deeply religious women have strengthened the faithful in their religious traditions without overtly focusing on patriarchal and political issues. Evaluate the significance and impact of the role of women in keeping religions alive and real for the faithful.

OR: QUESTION TWO

“Your God is too small”: basically this is what feminists are saying to the guardians of patriarchal religion.

women ...”

Rosemary Radford Ruether (an American feminist scholar and Catholic theologian)

“You stand proudly now at the helm of a metaphoric waka wahine which has been navigating its way

culminated in this amazing day.”

Canon Dr Jenny Te Paa-Daniel (speaking at the installation service of the first Anglican Māori woman Bishop of Aotearoa, Pihopa Waitohiariki Quayle)

It might be argued that there has been systematic sidelining and silencing of women in religion over the centuries, in areas such as scriptural interpretation, leadership opportunities, and in their roles in society. Given the many voices and actions of protest about this, has any significant progress been made in empowering women, thus giving them more of an equal footing in their religious traditions?

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PLANNING

☐ Question One ☐ Question Two

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