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COURSE NO.: SE 323
TITLE: Specialised Topics in Sociology
DATE: Friday 15 November 1974
TIME: 2.00 p.m.
TIME ALLOWED: 3 hours
TOTAL NUMBER OF QUESTIONS: 10
NO. OF QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED: 4
MARK VALUES: All questions carry equal marks
INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: Answer any 4 question, all are of equal value.

1. What physiological processes can cause death and ill health which are believed to be caused supernaturally?
2. Outline the nature and function of symbolism as displayed during the recent visit of Prince Charles.
3. Under what circumstances would cult movements be least likely to develop?
4. Weber and others have commented on the relationship between religion and economic activity. How does this apply in the Pacific islands today.
5. In what major respects do the ethics of commercial selling differ from those of major religious systems?
6. Outline and evaluate any three major theories that have been advanced to explain the origins of religious systems.
7. Research has shown that water is no more likely to be found by water divining than without it. Why do so many people continue to use it?
8. What major changes in belief systems would you expect to take place over the next century in Pacific Islands?
9. PRE-SET QUESTION as already distributed.
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PRE-SET QUESTION FOR FINAL EXAM

What specific changes, over what period of time, would you expect to result in the values and beliefs of ordinary citizens of any Pacific culture as a result of a prolonged policy of tourism expansion. Avoid generalised waffle, this is a difficult question and needs a careful analytical answer.

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Ivan Mbagintao describes the initiation rituals of the Anga people as generally favourable to the society. Ivan Illich describes the initiation rituals of formal schooling as generally unfavourable. What main (a) similarities and (b) difference of form and function do you see between.