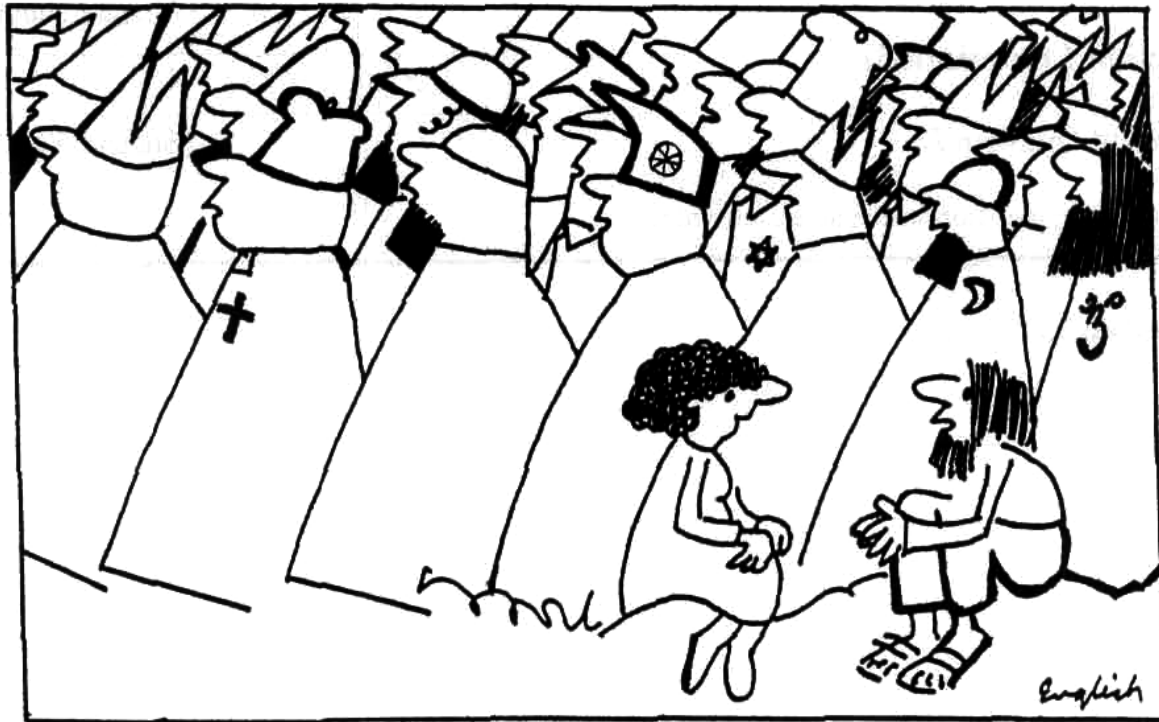


Question 22 (5 marks)



With reference to the illustration and your own knowledge, explain TWO reasons why an individual may explore new religious expressions and spiritualities.

Individuals may explore new religious expressions and spiritualities as opposed to the traditional religions as it provides for a more diverse set of adherents and can incorporate each individual's own set of personal beliefs in god.

Religions with more organisation (eg. Christianity and Islam) can often be found to be very restricting, difficult to fully understand, and also very closed to change and modern issues such as abortion and science.

New religious expressions are appealing as they are less formal and more casual (as can be seen in the illustration with leaders from each religion dressed up and walking in order/lines). We assume that the two individuals sitting down casually are the new age believers as they do not display a symbol or wear religious garments. The freedom of new age expressions is also very inviting to modern generations.