

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMINATIONS
General Certificate of Education Advanced Level

DIVINITY

9011/01

Paper 1 Prophets of the Old Testament

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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

3 hours

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet. Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in. Write in dark blue or black pen on both sides of the paper. Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **four** questions.

Answer Question **10** in Section C and **three** other questions, including at least **one** question from Section A and at least **one** question from Section B.

Answer Question **10** in **one** version only.

Where there are differences in quotations from the Bible,
RSV indicates Revised Standard Version,
NIV indicates New International Version.

You are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation in your answers.

RSV version of Question **10** begins on page 3.

NIV version of Question **10** begins on page 4.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.
All questions in this paper carry equal marks.

Section A*Prophecy in general, and Pre-canonical Prophets*

- 1 Discuss the origins of prophecy in ancient Israel.
- 2 'Moses' role in Israelite prophecy was an ideal one, not a real one.' Discuss.
- 3 Discuss the part played by ecstasy in Israelite prophecy.
- 4 'Samuel was more of a judge than a prophet.' Discuss.
- 5 Examine the view that Israel's kings saw prophets as a necessary evil.

Section B*Pre-exilic Prophets, with special reference to Amos, Hosea, Isaiah of Jerusalem and Jeremiah*

- 6 'The pre-exilic writing prophets were very different from the prophets who came before them.' Discuss.
- 7 In your view, which was more powerful – Hosea's message of destruction or his message of love?
- 8 Examine critically Amos' idea of the Day of the Lord.
- 9 'His call shaped his entire message.' Discuss with reference to **either** Isaiah of Jerusalem **or** Jeremiah.

Section C

REVISED STANDARD VERSION

10 Write brief explanatory comments on **four** of the following:

- (a) Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was upon him and put it upon the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did so no more. (Numbers 11:25)
- (b) And whoever will not give heed to my words which he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. (Deuteronomy 18:19)
- (c) When they came to Gibeah, behold, a band of prophets met him; and the spirit of God came mightily upon him, and he prophesied among them. (1 Samuel 10:10)
- (d) He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. (2 Samuel 7:13)
- (e) Then the king of Israel gathered the prophets together, about four hundred men, and said to them, "Shall I go to battle against Ramoth-gilead, or shall I forbear?" (1 Kings 22:6a)
- (f) And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel..." (Amos 7:12-13a)
- (g) Assyria shall not save us,
we will not ride upon horses;
and we will say no more, 'Our God,'
to the work of our hands.
In thee the orphan finds mercy. (Hosea 14:3)
- (h) And I went to the prophetess, and she conceived and bore a son. Then the LORD said to me, "Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz..." (Isaiah 8:3)
- (i) Like birds hovering, so the LORD of hosts
will protect Jerusalem;
he will protect and deliver it,
he will spare and rescue it. (Isaiah 31:5)
- (j) Therefore thus says the LORD:
"If you return, I will restore you,
and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious,
and not what is worthless,
you shall be as my mouth.
They shall turn to you,
but you shall not turn to them." (Jeremiah 15:19)
- (k) Yet hear now this word which I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. (Jeremiah 28:7-8)

NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

10 Write brief explanatory comments on **four** of the following:

- (a) Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took of the Spirit that was on him and put the Spirit on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but they did not do so again. (Numbers 11:25)
- (b) If anyone does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name, I myself will call him to account. (Deuteronomy 18:19)
- (c) When they arrived at Gibeah, a procession of prophets met him; the Spirit of God came upon him in power, and he joined in their prophesying. (1 Samuel 10:10)
- (d) He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. (2 Samuel 7:13)
- (e) So the king of Israel brought together the prophets – about four hundred men – and asked them, “Shall I go to war against Ramoth Gilead, or shall I refrain?” (1 Kings 22:6a)
- (f) Then Amaziah said to Amos, “Get out, you seer! Go back to the land of Judah. Earn your bread there and do your prophesying there. Don’t prophesy any more at Bethel...” (Amos 7:12-13a)
- (g) Assyria cannot save us;
we will not mount war-horses.
We will never again say ‘Our gods’
to what our own hands have made,
for in you the fatherless find compassion. (Hosea 14:3)
- (h) Then I went to the prophetess, and she conceived and gave birth to a son. And the LORD said to me, “Name him Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz...” (Isaiah 8:3)
- (i) Like birds hovering overhead,
the LORD Almighty will shield Jerusalem;
he will shield it and deliver it,
he will ‘pass over’ it and will rescue it. (Isaiah 31:5)
- (j) Therefore this is what the LORD says:
“If you repent, I will restore you
that you may serve me;
if you utter worthy, not worthless, words,
you will be my spokesman.
Let this people turn to you,
but you must not turn to them.” (Jeremiah 15:19)
- (k) Nevertheless, listen to what I have to say in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people: From early times the prophets who preceded you and me have prophesied war, disaster and plague against many countries and great kingdoms. (Jeremiah 28:7-8)