

Cambridge O Level

ISLAMIC STUDIES 2068/22

Paper 2 Development, Sources, Beliefs and Observances

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer three questions in total, one from each section.
 Answer all parts of the questions you have chosen.

• Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].



Answer three questions.

Choose one question from each section.

You must answer **all** parts of the questions you have chosen.

Section A: The Four Pious Caliphs

1 (a) Give four examples of 'Uthman's piety. [4] (b) Explain how 'Uthman helped his people with religious facilities. [10] (c) Discuss two aspects of 'Uthman's rule which might inspire Muslims the most. [6] [Total: 20] 2 (a) Outline 'Ali's conversion to Islam. [4] **(b)** Explain how 'Ali organised his caliphate. [10] (c) To what extent is 'Ali best known for his use of negotiation? Give reasons to support your answer. [6] [Total: 20]

Section B: The Qur'an, Hadith and Muslim beliefs and practices

- (a) Give four occasions on which the Prophet (pbuh) received revelations after the Night of Power (Laylat al-Qadr).
 - (b) Describe the events which occurred in Cave Hira' during the Night of Power (Laylat al-Qadr).
 [10]
 - (c) To what extent was the Night of Power (Laylat al-Qadr) the most significant event in the revelation of the Qur'an? Give reasons to support your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

- **4** (a) Give four actions that are performed during daily prayer (salah). [4]
 - **(b)** Explain how the details of daily prayer (*salah*) are found in the Hadith. [10]
 - (c) Evaluate the significance of daily prayer (salah) in the faith of individual Muslims. [6]

[Total: 20]

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Section C: Festivals, rituals and social interactions in the lives of Muslims

- **5** (a) Explain different ways in which Muslims might support their local mosques. [12]
 - (b) To what extent is supporting local mosques a very important duty for Muslims? Give reasons to support your answer. [8]

[Total: 20]

- **6** (a) Describe the religious actions and traditions on the day of 'ld al-Fitr. [12]
 - (b) To what extent are social traditions the most significant feature of 'Id al-Fitr? Give reasons to support your answer. [8]

[Total: 20]

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