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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 5

assessing

The Origins of the Celtic Church in
Ireland and the beginnings of its
missionary outreach

[AR151]



WEDNESDAY 19 JANUARY, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question.

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Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Explain the contents and purpose of Patrick's *Confessio*. [35]
- (b) Explore the claim that Patrick was always a man of humility and forgiveness. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Give an account of the contents of the Irish Penitentials with special reference to Finnian and Columbanus. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that the Penitentials had a negative influence on the Celtic Church. Justify your answer. [15]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Give an account of the lives and contribution to the Celtic Church of any **two** of the following: Ciarán, Brendan, Comgall, Enda. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that the leadership provided by religious figures is not always positive. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Explain the reasons that lay behind Colmcille's (Columba's) decision to depart for Iona. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that religion should never be used to advance the cause of politics. Justify your answer. [15]

