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## Religious Studies

### Assessment Unit AS 2

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An Introduction to the Acts of the Apostles

[AR121]

TUESDAY 15 JANUARY, MORNING

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#### 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 in allocating the available examination time.

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## Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Give an account of the main arguments concerning the purpose of Acts. [35]
- (b) Comment on the claim that the author of Acts was writing only for a Gentile audience. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Explain the content and consequences of Stephen's speech in the Book of Acts. [35]
- (b) Comment on the claim that it was Stephen, rather than Paul, who was prepared to defend the gospel. Justify your answer. [15]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Describe the main events of Paul's third missionary journey and their significance. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the claim that mission is not effective in the spread of religious belief. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Explain the importance of the events from Jesus' ascension to the conversion of three thousand people at Pentecost. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that speaking in tongues is no longer important in the church. Justify your answer. [15]

