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General Certificate of Education
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Religious Studies
Assessment Unit A2 2

assessing
Selected New Testament Writings:
A Study of Acts, Galatians and
1 Corinthians

[AR221]

THURSDAY 19 MAY, AFTERNOON



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TIME

2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Candidate Number and Centre Number on the answer booklet provided.
Answer **two** questions from Section A and answer the compulsory question in Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 150.
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.

Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section.

- 1 (a) Outline and examine the significance of Paul's sea voyage and the events in Malta. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the claim that in the final chapters of Acts, Paul is more concerned with defending himself than the gospel. [20]
- 2 (a) Analyse the content and success of Paul's speech at Athens. [30]
- (b) With reference to Acts and Paul's letters, critically assess the view that Paul deserves the title "Apostle to the Gentiles". [20]
- 3 (a) Outline and examine the purpose and main themes of the Book of Galatians. [30]
- (b) Critically assess the claim that Paul's teaching on law and grace continues to challenge Christians. [20]
- 4 (a) Explain how Paul's teaching on spiritual gifts, worship and the Lord's Supper corrected and encouraged the Church at Corinth. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the view that Paul's letter to the Corinthians makes unrealistic demands on Christians. [20]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Religious Controversy

You **must** answer this question.

- 5 (a)** With reference to at least **two** different areas of study, outline and examine the issues which arise from religious controversy. [30]
- (b)** Critically assess the view that it is religious practice and not belief that causes controversy. You should refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [20]

