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## Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 3

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An Introduction to Old Testament  
Covenant and Prophecy

[AR131]



WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE, AFTERNOON

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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) Explain what the Abraham stories tell us about the nature of Covenant. [35]
- (b) Explore the view that the Abrahamic and Mosaic Covenants present God in a negative light. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Explain how any **two** incidents from the Elijah stories contribute to an understanding of his ministry. [35]
- (b) Explore the claim that Amos, unlike Elijah, was the real prophet of social justice. Justify your answer. [15]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) "... the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised me."  
(2 Sam 12:10)
- With reference to this quotation, explain the consequences of the Bathsheba and Tamar incidents for King David. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that in many respects the position of women in society has not changed. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Give an account of the sins of Israel and their consequences as described in the Book of Hosea. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that love and forgiveness have their limits. Justify your answer. [15]

