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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 3

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An Introduction to Old Testament
Covenant and Prophecy



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WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE, MORNING

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 the possible reasons for and the nature of the challenges that God put before Abraham. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that God's covenants made impossible demands on His people. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) With particular reference to the visions of Amos, explain his teaching on judgement. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that the role of a prophet was always far from comfortable and could even be personally dangerous. Justify your answer. [15]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) "Here am I, send me." (Isaiah 6:8)
- With reference to this quotation, explain the nature of Isaiah's call and how it prepared him for his mission. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that the moral standards of the religious believer often leave a lot to be desired. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) With particular reference to examples from the text, explain Micah's message on what God demands of his people. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that Liberation Theology is a genuine expression of prophetic teaching. Justify your answer. [15]

