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General Certificate of Education

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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 3

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Themes in the Old Testament



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TUESDAY 5 JUNE, MORNING

TIME

2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **two** questions from Section A and 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 the 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 part question in allocating the available examination time.

Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

- 1 (a)** “The God of the Old Testament is a God of compassion.”
Present a case for this statement. [20]
- (b)** “There were good reasons to explain a violent God in ancient Israel, but in the modern world such a view of God is no longer acceptable.”
Critically assess this view. [30]
- 2 (a)** Examine the importance of the call of Jeremiah as a prophet to Judah. [20]
- (b)** Consider critically the relevance of Jeremiah’s message both in his own time and today. [30]
- 3 (a)** Identify and consider how Ezekiel acted out his prophecy. [20]
- (b)** Critically assess the claim that the message of Ezekiel is primarily a message of judgement. [30]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Leadership, Text and Alienation

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a)** “Sin will always involve alienation from God and others.”

Present a case for this statement. You must support your answer with reference to at least one other unit of study. [20]

- (b)** “In a world that has outgrown religion, the concept of sin is irrelevant.”

Critically evaluate this view. You must refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [30]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
