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## Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 2  
assessing  
An Introduction to the Acts of the Apostles



SRE21

**[SRE21]**  
**THURSDAY 17 MAY, 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 part question in allocating the available examination time.

## Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1** (a) With reference to examples from the text, discuss the importance of the social and historical background for an understanding of the Book of Acts. [25]  
(b) Comment on the claim that the evidence would suggest that the Book of Acts was only written for a Gentile audience. Justify your answer. [25]
  
- 2** (a) Discuss the relevance of the Holy Spirit for faith, work and witness in Acts. [25]  
(b) "Fellowship was the central characteristic of the life of the early Christians." Consider the truth of this view. Justify your answer. [25]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

**3 (a)** Explain the theological content and significance of Paul's speech in Athens. [25]

**(b)** With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the claim that religious believers are known by their actions. Justify your answer. [25]

**4 (a)** "Peter's main role in Acts is to be an evangelist for Christ."

With reference to examples from Acts, examine this statement. [25]

**(b)** With reference to other aspects of human experience, assess the view that evangelisation has no place in a secular age. Justify your answer. [25]

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**THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER**

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