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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 4
assessing
Themes in the Early Church and
the Church Today



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TUESDAY 11 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 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 Canon of Scripture was vital to the survival of the Church.”
Present a case for this statement. [20]
- (b)** To what extent was Irenaeus’ polemic essential in defeating heresy? [30]
- 2 (a)** Analyse the content of Tertullian’s Apology. [20]
- (b)** Critically assess the view that Tertullian’s association with Montanism made his moral writings harsh and therefore unappealing for today. [30]
- 3 (a)** Outline the impact of secularisation on religion. [20]
- (b)** Critically evaluate the view that the authority of religious leaders continues to be vital to the religious and moral beliefs of society. [30]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Faith, Morality and the State

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a) “The relationship between religion and the state has always been a problem.”

With reference to **one** example, examine this statement. You must support your answer with reference to at least one other unit of study. [20]

- (b) Critically evaluate the claim that in a modern society with many different religious faiths or none, separation of religion and state is the only option. You must refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [30]

