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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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FRIDAY 9 JUNE, AFTERNOON

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) Examine the importance of God's self-revelation in Exodus 34:1–9. [20]
- (b) "The nature of God is never made clear in the Old Testament."
With reference to the texts studied, critically assess this claim. [30]
- 2 (a) Outline the main reasons for Jeremiah's prophecies against Judah. [20]
- (b) "Jeremiah's struggles with God are also true for people today."
How far do you agree with this statement? [30]
- 3 (a) Explain how Ezekiel presents the fall of Jerusalem. [20]
- (b) "The Spirit played an important role in Ezekiel's life, but this is less true for people today."
Critically evaluate this view. [30]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Leadership, Text and Alienation

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a) "Religious texts provide a sound foundation for morality."

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

- (b) "Sin is inescapable, but the world today has no agreed concept of it."

To what extent do you agree with this claim? You must refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [30]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
