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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 5

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Themes in the Celtic Church,
Reformation and
Post-Reformation Church



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MONDAY 17 JUNE, AFTERNOON

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2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

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Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **two** questions from Section A and the compulsory question in Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 150.

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Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

- 1 (a) Outline the key differences between Roman and Celtic Christianity. [20]
- (b) “The Synod of Whitby caused fundamental damage to the Celtic Church, ending that Church’s growth and influence.”
- To what extent do you agree with this claim? [30]
- 2 (a) Identify and consider what motivated the Celtic peregrini. [20]
- (b) Critically evaluate the view that the impact of Christian missionary activity has always been more positive than negative. [30]
- 3 (a) Explain how Vatican II dealt with religious authority. [20]
- (b) “Reform challenges and often divides the Christian Church, yet remains necessary.”
- Critically assess this claim. [30]



Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Faith, Morality and the State

You **must** answer this question

- 4 (a) With reference to **one** historical example, outline how the state has been influenced by religious morality.

You must support your answer with reference to at least **one** other unit of study.

[20]

- (b) “A close relationship between religion and the state is neither possible nor desirable.”

With reference to other aspects of human experience, critically assess this view.

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