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ISLAMIC STUDIES

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Paper 2 Development, Sources, Beliefs and Observances

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **three** questions in total, **one** from each section.
Answer all parts of the questions you have chosen.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

This document has **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer **three** questions.

Choose **one** question from each section.

You must answer **all** parts of the questions you have chosen.

Section A: The Caliphate period/The Four Pious Caliphs

- 1 (a) State **four** things Abu Bakr did when Muhammad (pbuh) died. [4]
(b) Explain how Abu Bakr dealt with other states. [10]
(c) Discuss why the period of the Four Pious Caliphs is seen as a model by some Muslims. [6]
[Total: 20]

- 2 (a) Briefly describe the events regarding the death of 'Umar. [4]
(b) Explain how 'Uthman dealt with the problems he faced during his reign. [10]
(c) In your opinion, what was 'Uthman's greatest achievement? Give reasons to support your answer. [6]
[Total: 20]

Section B: The history and importance of the Qur'an and Hadith

- 3 (a) State **four** objects on which the Qur'an was written during the lifetime of the Prophet (pbuh). [4]
(b) Give an account of the role of Zayd ibn Thabit in the compilation of the Qur'an. [10]
(c) In your opinion, which stage of compiling the Qur'an was most significant? Give reasons to support your answer. [6]
[Total: 20]

- 4 (a) Identify **two** different types of prophet and give an example of each. [4]
(b) Choose **two** prophets and describe the ways they warned their people. [10]
(c) Discuss the lessons Muslims today could learn from the warnings given by prophets. [6]
[Total: 20]

Section C: Beliefs, practices and rituals

- 5 (a) Explain what Muslims believe about the nature and duties of angels. [12]
- (b) Discuss the significance of angels in the lives of Muslims today. [8]

[Total: 20]

- 6 (a) Describe the relationship between the belief in one God (*tawhid*) and the statement of *Shahada*. [12]
- (b) Discuss the significance of declaring the *Shahada* when choosing to become a Muslim. [8]

[Total: 20]

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