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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit A2 3

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**The Covenant Community:
Prophecy and Renewal**

[AR231]



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MONDAY 24 MAY, AFTERNOON

TIME

2 hours.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Candidate Number and Centre Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **two** questions from Section A and answer 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 question or part question.

Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

- 1 (a) Outline and explain the nature of enacted prophecy in the work of Jeremiah. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the claim that the prophets communicated God's message most effectively by the spoken word. [20]
- 2 (a) Analyse the role of the Suffering Servant as found in the Book of Isaiah. [30]
- (b) Critically assess the view that Second Isaiah's description of the Suffering Servant offers little comfort. [20]
- 3 (a) Identify and discuss the challenges faced by Nehemiah in his attempt to reform the community in Jerusalem. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the claim that society today has much to learn from the achievements of Nehemiah. [20]
- 4 (a) Explain the purpose and nature of the religious reforms brought about by Josiah. [30]
- (b) Critically assess the view that religious reform always requires a change of heart. [20]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Moral Living

You **must** answer this question

- 5 (a) With reference to at least **two** different areas of study, outline and explain the contribution of some key people to the theme of moral living. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the claim that religious belief does not always lead to moral living. You should refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [20]

