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Religious Studies
Assessment Unit A2 2

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Selected New Testament Writings:
A Study of Acts, Galatians and
1 Corinthians

[AR221]

TUESDAY 13 MAY, MORNING



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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 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 in allocating the available examination time.

Section A

Answer **two** questions from this section

- 1 (a) Explain the significant points in the story of Paul's journey to Rome and his arrival there. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the view that Paul is an excellent role model for Christian leaders facing opposition. [20]
- 2 (a) Analyse Paul's speech at Athens and consider its relevance for his audience. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the claim that Paul's other speeches in Acts demonstrate his skill as an evangelist. [20]
- 3 (a) Discuss Paul's response to the accusations of the Judaisers, as recorded in Galatians. [30]
- (b) Critically assess the claim that the issues this letter addresses are no longer relevant to the Church today. [20]
- 4 (a) Outline and discuss Paul's teaching on spiritual gifts in 1 Corinthians. [30]
- (b) Critically evaluate the claim that Paul over-emphasises the resurrection of Jesus. [20]

Section B

Synoptic Assessment

Theme: Religious Controversy

You **must** answer this question

- 5 (a) With reference to at least **two** different areas of study, examine some major issues which have created religious controversy. [30]
- (b) Critically assess the claim that religious controversy is always due to a lack of understanding. You should refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer. [20]

