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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]

