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**ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY (AS)
General Certificate of Education
2014**

Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 3

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**An Introduction to Old Testament
Covenant and Prophecy**

[AR131]



WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

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.

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Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Explain what the Abraham stories tell us about the nature of Covenant. [35]
- (b) Explore the view that the Abrahamic and Mosaic Covenants present God in a negative light. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Explain how any **two** incidents from the Elijah stories contribute to an understanding of his ministry. [35]
- (b) Explore the claim that Amos, unlike Elijah, was the real prophet of social justice. Justify your answer. [15]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) "... the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised me."
(2 Sam 12:10)
- With reference to this quotation, explain the consequences of the Bathsheba and Tamar incidents for King David. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that in many respects the position of women in society has not changed. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Give an account of the sins of Israel and their consequences as described in the Book of Hosea. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that love and forgiveness have their limits. Justify your answer. [15]

