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# Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 3  
*assessing*  
An Introduction to Old Testament  
Covenant and Prophecy



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**WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE, MORNING**

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## 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 the possible reasons for and the nature of the challenges that God put before Abraham. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that God's covenants made impossible demands on His people. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) With particular reference to the visions of Amos, explain his teaching on judgement. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that the role of a prophet was always far from comfortable and could even be personally dangerous. Justify your answer. [15]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) "Here am I, send me." (Isaiah 6:8)
- With reference to this quotation, explain the nature of Isaiah's call and how it prepared him for his mission. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that the moral standards of the religious believer often leave a lot to be desired. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) With particular reference to examples from the text, explain Micah's message on what God demands of his people. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that Liberation Theology is a genuine expression of prophetic teaching. Justify your answer. [15]

