

Tuesday 17 January 2012 – Morning

AS GCE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

G578 Islam

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

- 8 page Answer Booklet
(sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **two** questions.
- If you use extra sheets of paper, fasten the sheets to the Answer Booklet.
- Write the number of each question attempted in the grid on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **70**.
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Answer **two** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain the role of an Imam in the worship and daily life of a Muslim community. [25]
(b) Assess the view that a mosque cannot function properly without an Imam. [10]
- 2 (a) Explain the historical and religious origins of the hajj. [25]
(b) 'The hajj is more about an individual's relationship with Allah than about being part of the ummah.' Discuss. [10]
- 3 (a) Explain the historical, geographical and religious background in which Muhammad ﷺ began preaching his message. [25]
(b) To what extent was the message of Muhammad ﷺ new? [10]
- 4 (a) Explain, with examples, the significance of Shirk in Islam. [25]
(b) 'The teaching on Shirk is particularly relevant for Muslims living in non-Muslim countries.' Discuss. [10]

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