



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level Examination
June 2010

Religious Studies

RST3D

Unit 3D Old Testament

Friday 11 June 2010 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.
- You may use a Bible that includes the Apocrypha.

Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Examining Body** for this paper is AQA. The **Paper Reference** is RST3D.
- Answer **two** questions.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
- In each question, the first part tests your knowledge and understanding, while the second part tests your skills of reasoning and evaluation.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer **two** questions.

Each question has **two** parts. Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.

Question 1 Ways of reading the Old Testament

0 1 Examine ways in which critical theories have been applied to the story of the Crossing of the Sea **and** to the song celebrating this event (Exodus 14⁵–15²¹). *(30 marks)*

and

0 2 'Unless the Exodus narrative is read as history, it has no value for readers today.'

Evaluate this claim. *(20 marks)*

Question 2 God and humanity

0 3 Examine views on the nature of the created world and on the human condition that are found in Genesis 1–3. *(30 marks)*

and

0 4 To what extent do these chapters encourage the view that the rest of the world is there for humans to use as they wish? *(20 marks)*

Question 3 The ways in which people believed they should live their lives

0 5 Explain ways in which Wisdom literature and the Law helped to shape people's everyday lives in ancient Israel. *(30 marks)*

and

0 6 'Neither the Wisdom literature nor the Law of ancient Israel is relevant to 21st century life.'

Assess this view. *(20 marks)*

Question 4 How the people coped in times of crisis – suffering and hope

0 7 Outline the difficulties faced by those in exile and examine how prophecy helped them. *(30 marks)*

and

0 8 'The Exile was a totally negative experience for the people of Israel.'

Assess this claim. *(20 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS