



General Certificate of Education  
Advanced Subsidiary Examination  
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## Religious Studies

## RSS06

Unit F Old Testament

Tuesday 15 January 2013 9.00 am to 10.15 am

**For this paper you must have:**

- an AQA 8-page answer book.
- You may use a Bible that includes the Apocrypha.

**Time allowed**

- 1 hour 15 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 RSS06.
- 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 90.
- 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.

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Answer **two** questions.

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

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**Question 1 An introduction to the world of the Old Testament**

**0 1** Examine the effects of Canaanite religion on Israel's religious beliefs and practices. (30 marks)

**and**

**0 2** 'Canaanite religion had a greater effect on Israel's religious beliefs than on its religious practices.'  
Assess this view. (15 marks)

**Question 2 Old Testament views of God's relationship with the people**

**0 3** Outline the features of covenants in the Ancient Near East and examine their similarities to Old Testament covenants. (30 marks)

**and**

**0 4** To what extent does an understanding of Ancient Near East covenants enrich the understanding of Old Testament covenants? (15 marks)

**Question 3 The phenomenon of prophecy**

**0 5** Examine types of prophets found in Israel in the 10<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> centuries. (30 marks)

**and**

**0 6** 'Old Testament prophetic experience has no significance for people today.'  
Assess this claim. (15 marks)

**Question 4 8<sup>th</sup> century prophecy – Amos**

**0 7** Examine the criticisms made by Amos of the social **and** religious practices of the Israelites. (30 marks)

**and**

**0 8** 'Amos' teaching about social justice was the most important part of his message.'  
Assess this view. (15 marks)

**END OF QUESTIONS**