



General Certificate of Education
Advanced Subsidiary Examination
January 2013

Religious Studies

RSS11

Unit L Islam 2 *The Life of the Prophet*

Tuesday 15 January 2013 9.00 am to 10.15 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 8-page answer book.

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 RSS11.
- 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.

Answer **two** questions.

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

Question 1 Jahiliyyah

0 | 1 Explain the religious situation in Arabia at the time Muhammad began his work. (30 marks)

and

0 | 2 'Muhammad's message was not new.'
How far do you agree? (15 marks)

Question 2 Makkah 610–622 CE

0 | 3 Explain how Islam developed in Makkah between 610 and 622 CE. (30 marks)

and

0 | 4 'Muhammad's most important role in Makkah between 610 and 622 CE was as a Warner.'
Assess this view. (15 marks)

Question 3 Madinah 622–632 CE

0 | 5 Examine the events that led up to the conquest of Makkah in 630 CE. (30 marks)

and

0 | 6 'After the conquest of Makkah, the Muslim community was more political than spiritual.'
Assess this view. (15 marks)

Question 4 The death of the Prophet and after

0 | 7 Outline how the first Caliph was selected, **and** explain differing Muslim views about the selection of the first Caliph. (30 marks)

and

0 | 8 'The election of the first Caliph caused more problems than it solved.'
How far do you agree? (15 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS