

AS RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Unit L Islam 2 The Life of the Prophet

Thursday 19 May 2016

Morning

Time allowed: 1 hour 15 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- AQA 8-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is RSS11.
- Answer **two** questions. Each question has **two** parts. Answer **both** parts of each question chosen.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work 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. 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.

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Question 1 Jahiliyyah

0 1 Explain the religious background to the rise of Islam with particular reference to:

- Bedouin polytheism
- Jews
- Hanifs.

[30 marks]

and

0 2 'Muhammad totally rejected Bedouin polytheism.'

How far do you agree?

[15 marks]

Question 2 Makkah 610–622 CE

0 3 Explain why Muhammad was opposed in Makkah 610–622 CE.

[30 marks]

and

0 4 'Muhammad was defeated by his enemies in Makkah 610–622 CE.'

How far do you agree?

[15 marks]

Question 3 Madinah 622–632 CE

0 5 Explain the development of the Umma 622–632 CE.

[30 marks]

and

0 6 'The Hijrah was the birth of Islam.'

Assess this view.

[15 marks]

Question 4 The death of the Prophet, the emergence of the Caliphate and of the Sunni / Shi'a divide

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 Explain **both** Sunni and Shi'a views about the election and status of the Caliph. **[30 marks]**

and

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 'Today, it is essential for Muslims to know about Muhammad's life as well as about his teaching.'

Assess this view.

[15 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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