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## Religious Studies

### Assessment Unit AS 3

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An Introduction to Old Testament  
Covenant and Prophecy

[AR131]



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THURSDAY 15 JANUARY, AFTERNOON

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#### TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the answer booklet provided.  
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

#### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in all questions.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

#### ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question.

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## Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Explain the nature of God's Covenant with Abraham. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that the Covenant with Abraham was the most important covenant of those you have studied. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Describe Elijah's attempt at Mount Carmel to defend belief in the one true God. [35]
- (b) To what extent was Elijah more concerned with injustice than idolatry? Justify your answer. [15]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Explain Hosea's teaching on the nature of God. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that for religious believers love is meaningless without forgiveness. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Give an account of the religious and social teachings of Isaiah of Jerusalem. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the view that sin must always be challenged. Justify your answer. [15]

