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## **Religious Studies**

### **Assessment Unit AS 5**

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The Origins of the Celtic Church in  
Ireland and the beginnings of its  
missionary outreach

**[AR151]**



**WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE, MORNING**

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#### **TIME**

1 hour 20 minutes.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Write your Candidate Number and Centre 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) With reference to relevant historical sources, give an account of the evidence for the presence of Christianity in Ireland before the arrival of Patrick. [35]
- (b) Explore the view that by the time of Patrick, Ireland was ready for conversion. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Give an account of the role, nature and distinctive features of Celtic monasticism as it developed in Ireland. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that monasteries had little impact on the everyday life of the Irish people. Justify your answer. [15]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Explain the achievements of Patrick's mission to the Irish. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the extent to which the issues that were faced by Patrick are relevant for any age. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Explain the importance of the peregrini to the development of the Church in Britain. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the claim that the motives behind missionary outreach should be viewed with suspicion. Justify your answer. [15]

