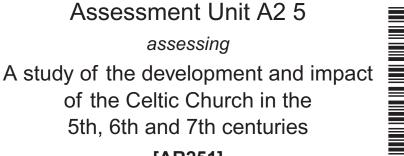


#### ADVANCED General Certificate of Education 2014

# **Religious Studies**





[AR251]

### FRIDAY 23 MAY, AFTERNOON



2 hours.

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided. Answer **two** questions from Section A and answer the compulsory question in Section B.

#### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 150.

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 in allocating the available examination time.

#### Section A

Answer two questions from this section

1	(a)	Outline and examine the issues involved in the dating of Patrick's arrival in Ireland a a missionary.	ıs [30]
	(b)	Critically assess the view that all attempts to discover the historical Patrick have failed.	[20]
2	(a)	Outline the nature of episcopacy in the Celtic Church and examine the reasons for the change from an episcopal to a monastic organisation.	[30]
	(b)	Critically assess the view that issues surrounding religious authority are always controversial.	[20]
3	(2)	"Columbanus was a defender of faith, morals and church unity."	
5	(a)	Present a case for and discuss this statement.	[30]
	(b)	Critically assess the view that missionary outreach is now more necessary at home than abroad.	[20]
4	(a)	Examine the reasons for, and discuss the nature of, the differences that emerged at the Synod of Whitby.	[30]
	(b)	Critically evaluate the view that the outcome of Whitby was a disaster for the Celtic Church.	[20]

#### **Section B**

## Synoptic Assessment

#### **Theme: Holiness**

#### You **must** answer this question

5	(a)	With reference to at least <b>two</b> different areas of study, outline and examine the contribution of some key figures to an understanding of the theme of holiness.	[30]
	(b)	Critically assess the view that holiness is a virtue that is not always rewarded. You should refer to other aspects of human experience in your answer.	[20]

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