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**Religious Studies** **405008**  
**(Specification A)**  
**Religious Studies**  
**(Specification A)(Short Course)**

**Unit 8 Islam**

**Monday 11 June 2012 9.00 am to 10.30 am**

**For this paper you must have:**

- an insert containing Part B questions (enclosed).

**Time allowed**

- 1 hour 30 minutes

**Instructions**

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **five** questions.  
Part A Answer **all** questions in Part A in the spaces provided in this booklet.  
Part B Answer **either** Question B5 **or** Question B6. Write your answer to **either** Question B5 **or** Question B6 on pages 10 to 16 of this booklet.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- Do all rough work in this booklet. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.
- Do **not** write on the insert. Any work on the insert will **not** be marked.
- Do **not** place the insert into the answer booklet at the end of the examination.

**Information**

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 72.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.



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**Part A**

Answer **all** questions in this part in the spaces provided.

**A1 Beliefs and Sources of Authority**

Look at the photograph below, which shows the cave on Mount Hira.

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**A1 (a)** Explain why the call of Muhammad (the Night of Power) is important to Muslims.

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*(3 marks)*



**A1 (b)** Describe the events of the Hijrah.

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**A1 (c)** ‘Holy books are more important than prophets.’

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Islam in your answer.

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**A2 Prayer**

Look at the photographs below, which show men praying in the mosque and a woman praying at home.



**A2 (a)** Describe briefly how Muslims prepare for prayer.

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**A2 (b)** Explain briefly what is meant by

**A2 (b) (i)** salah prayer

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**A2 (b) (ii)** du'a prayer.

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**A2 (c)** 'For Muslims the most meaningful prayer takes place in the mosque.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

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**A2 (d)** 'It is not necessary for Muslims to pray five times a day.'

What do you think? Explain your opinion.

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**A3 Family Life**

**A3 (a)** Explain how a marriage may be arranged in Islam.

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**A3 (b)** Explain Muslim attitudes to adultery.

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**A3 (c)** 'Homosexuality should be accepted in Islam.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Islam in your answer.

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**A4 Personal Lifestyle and Justice and Equality**

Look at the photographs below, which show a Muslim butcher's shop and a woman in purdah.



**A4 (a)** Explain briefly what is meant by halal.

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*(2 marks)*

**A4 (b)** Explain types of prejudice some Muslims might face in the UK today. You may use examples in your answer.

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*(3 marks)*





**A4 (c)** 'Purdah is the best way to protect the modesty of a woman.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view. Refer to Islam in your answer.

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