

**GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION
RELIGIOUS STUDIES A (WORLD RELIGIONS) (SHORT COURSE)**

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Paper 6 Islam

TUESDAY 10 JUNE 2008

Morning
Time: 1 hour

Additional materials (enclosed): None

Additional materials (required):
Answer Booklet (8 pages)



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

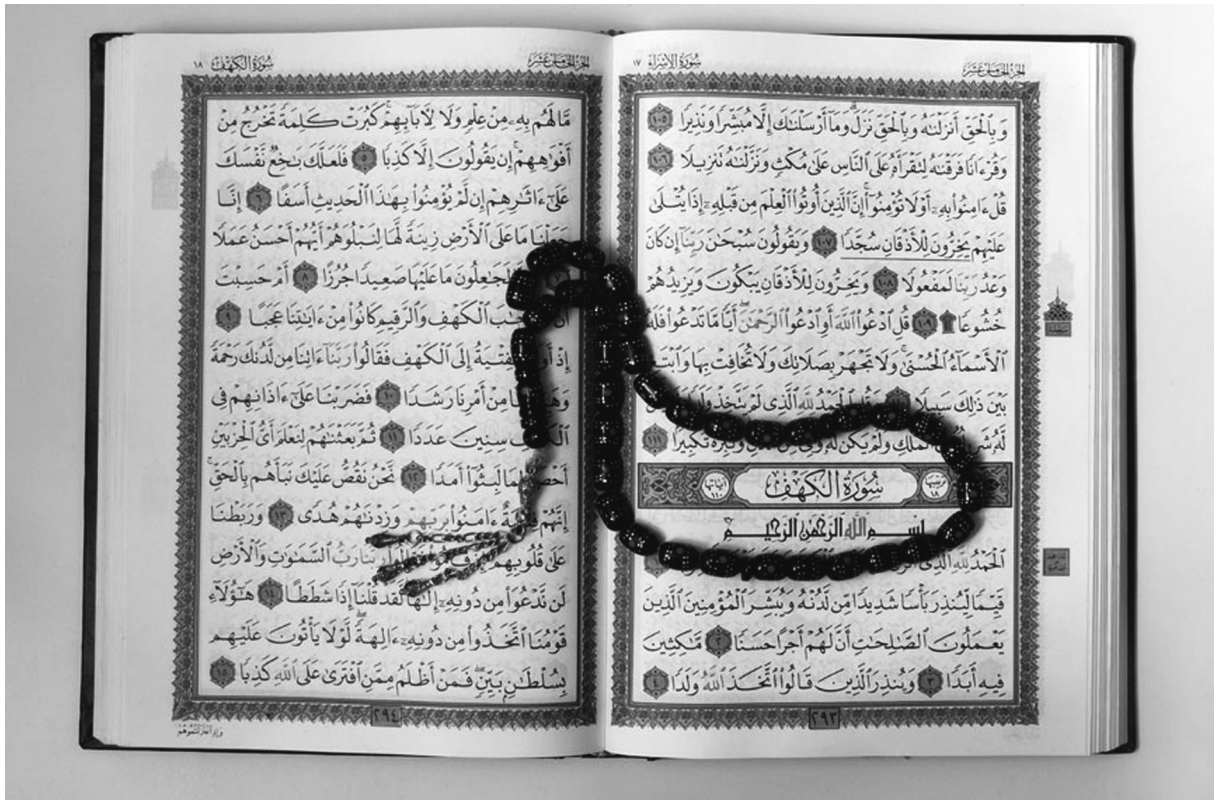
- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Write your answers, in blue or black ink, on the Answer Booklet provided.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer Question 1 and **one** other question.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **43**.
- You will be awarded up to 3 marks in Question 1 for the quality of written communication.

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Answer Question 1 and **one** other question.



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- 1 (a) Describe how Muslims might use special objects (artefacts) to help them pray to Allah. [8]
- (b) Explain the meaning and importance of Muslim preparations for prayer. [7]
- (c) 'Giving to the poor is the most important religious practice.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]

- 2 (a) Describe what Muslims do on Hajj. [8]
- (b) Explain why Id-ul-Adha is important for Muslims. [7]
- (c) 'Religious services held every week are more important in Islam than annual festivals.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. [5]

- 3 (a) Give an account of the teaching of Muhammad ﷺ. [8]
- (b) Explain why the life of Muhammad ﷺ is a good example for Muslims to follow. [7]
- (c) 'It is impossible for Muslims in the modern world to follow the example of Muhammad ﷺ.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. You must refer to Islam in your answer. [5]

- 4 (a) What do Muslims believe about the day of Judgement and life after death? [8]
- (b) Explain how ceremonies at the birth of a child show Muslim beliefs. [7]
- (c) 'In Islam the family is more important than the community.'

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. [5]

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