



ISLAMIC STUDIES

2068/01

Paper 1 History and Scriptures

For Examination from 2017

SPECIMEN PAPER

1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer **three** questions.

Choose **one** question from each section.

You must answer **all** parts of the questions you have chosen.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A: Arabia in the Pre-Islamic period

- 1 (a) Why was Mecca a place of importance in Pre-Islamic Arabia? [4]
- (b) Describe the tribal system in Arabia during the Pre-Islamic period. [10]
- (c) To what extent was the tribal system a factor in the Meccans' opposition to Islam? [6]
- 2 (a) Describe the status of women in Pre-Islamic Arabia. [4]
- (b) Relate how Muhammad (pbuh) met and married Khadija. [10]
- (c) What do you think Muslims today can learn from the relationship between Muhammad (pbuh) and Khadija? Discuss **two** key aspects. [6]

Section B: Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)

- 3 (a) Describe the Second Pledge of Aqaba. [4]
- (b) Give an account of the events of the Prophet's migration to Medina (*Hijra*). [10]
- (c) Discuss why the Prophet (pbuh) was more successful in Medina, than he was during his years in Mecca. [6]
- 4 (a) Describe the events that led to the Battle of Badr. [4]
- (b) Describe what happened during the Battle of Badr. [10]
- (c) To what extent was the Battle of Badr a turning point in the history of Islam? [6]

Section C: Texts from the Holy Qur'an and Hadith

5 Sura 1: 1–7

- 1 In the name of Allah most gracious, most merciful.
- 2 Praise be to Allah, the cherisher and sustainer of the worlds;
- 3 Most gracious, most merciful;
- 4 Master of the Day of Judgment.
- 5 You we worship and your aid we seek.
- 6 Show us the straight way.
- 7 The way of those to whom you have given your grace, not those who can earn your anger, not those who go astray.

(a) Explain the teachings in the above passage. [12]

(b) Discuss the importance of these teachings in a Muslim's life today. [8]

6 (a) Hadith No 13

None of you [truly] believes until he wishes for his brother what he wishes for himself.

Explain

(i) the teaching in this Hadith

(ii) how individual Muslims might put this teaching into practice in life today. [12]

(b) To what extent is Hadith literature a primary source of guidance for Muslims? [8]

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