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General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level
RELIGIOUS STUDIES/BIBLE KNOWLEDGE
PAPER 2 The Acts of the Apostles

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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials:
Answer paper

TIME 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer paper/answer booklet.

Answer **four** questions.

Answer Question **1** and **three** other questions.

Write your answers on the separate answer paper provided.

If you use more than one sheet of paper, fasten the sheets together.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

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

You are advised to spend no longer than 30 minutes on Question **1**.

Revised Standard Version of Question **1** is printed on page **2**.

New English Bible Version of Question **1** is printed on page **3**.

Questions **2-8** are printed on pages **4** and **5**.

This question paper consists of 6 printed pages and 2 blank pages.

REVISED STANDARD VERSION

- 1** Choose **four** of the passages **(a)** to **(f)** and answer the questions which follow.
- (a)** And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. (Acts 1:23)
- (i)** What decision is about to be made here? Why was it necessary?
- (ii)** How was the final decision reached? [7]
- (b)** Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. (Acts 3:1)
- (i)** Explain why Peter and John still worshipped at the temple, although they were disciples of Jesus.
- (ii)** Describe briefly what happened at the Beautiful Gate of the temple. [7]
- (c)** And when he knocked at the door of the gateway, a maid named Rhoda came to answer. (Acts 12:13)
- (i)** Who was knocking at the door? At which house did this take place?
- (ii)** Why was Rhoda believed to be mad/crazy when she reported who was at the door? [7]
- (d)** And after some days Paul said to Barnabas, "Come, let us return and visit the brethren in every city where we proclaimed the word of the Lord, and see how they are." (Acts 15:36)
- (i)** Which are the cities that Paul is referring to here? When had they proclaimed the word of the Lord to them?
- (ii)** Briefly outline the quarrel which took place at this point. What resulted from this quarrel? [7]
- (e)** Now the son of Paul's sister heard of their ambush; so he went and entered the barracks and told Paul. (Acts 23:16)
- (i)** Give details of the ambush referred to here.
- (ii)** What did Paul tell his nephew to do, and with what result? [7]
- (f)** And when we came into Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier that guarded him. (Acts 28:16)
- (i)** Comment on the use of the word 'we' in this passage. How long did Paul stay in Rome, according to Acts?
- (ii)** Describe Paul's everyday life in Rome, as it is reported in Acts. [7]

NEW ENGLISH BIBLE

- 1 Choose **four** of the passages (a) to (f) and answer the questions which follow.
- (a) Two names were put forward: Joseph, who was known as Barsabbas, and bore the added name of Justus; and Matthias. (Acts 1:23)
- (i) What decision is about to be made here? Why was it necessary?
- (ii) How was the final decision reached? [7]
- (b) One day at three in the afternoon, the hour of prayer, Peter and John were on their way up to the temple. (Acts 3:1)
- (i) Explain why Peter and John still worshipped at the temple, although they were disciples of Jesus.
- (ii) Describe briefly what happened at the Beautiful Gate of the temple. [7]
- (c) He knocked at the outer door and a maid called Rhoda came to answer it. (Acts 12:13)
- (i) Who was knocking at the door? At which house did this take place?
- (ii) Why was Rhoda believed to be mad/crazy when she reported who was at the door? [7]
- (d) After a while Paul said to Barnabas, 'Ought we not to go back now to see how our brothers are faring in the various towns where we proclaimed the word of the Lord?' (Acts 15:36)
- (i) Which are the towns that Paul is referring to here? When had they proclaimed the word of the Lord to them?
- (ii) Briefly outline the quarrel which took place at this point. What resulted from this quarrel? [7]
- (e) But the son of Paul's sister heard of the ambush; he went to the barracks, obtained entry, and reported it to Paul. (Acts 23:16)
- (i) Give details of the ambush referred to here.
- (ii) What did Paul tell his nephew to do, and with what result? [7]
- (f) When we entered Rome Paul was allowed to lodge by himself with a soldier in charge of him. (Acts 28:16)
- (i) Comment on the use of the word 'we' in this passage. How long did Paul stay in Rome, according to Acts?
- (ii) Describe Paul's everyday life in Rome, as it is reported in Acts. [7]

Answer **three** of Questions **2–8**.

- 2 (a) What charge was made against Peter and the apostles in their second trial before the Sanhedrin? How did Peter and the apostles reply to the charge? [8]
- (b) What information is given in Acts about Gamaliel? [6]
- (c) How did he save the apostles from death at this second trial? [10]
- 3 (a) Examine Stephen's influence upon the growth of the Gentile church, by referring to the following:
- (i) his work as one of the seven; [8]
- (ii) his speech of defence before the Sanhedrin; [8]
- (iii) his death. [8]
- 4 (a) When and why was Peter criticised for visiting Gentiles and eating with them? [6]
- (b) What response did he make to this criticism? [10]
- (c) How did the Council of Jerusalem overcome such criticisms as those faced by Peter? [8]
- 5 (a) Give an account of events which took place when Paul visited:
- (i) Cyprus; [9]
- (ii) Malta. [9]
- (b) Consider how events in Cyprus and Malta were typical of Paul's missionary work as a whole. [6]
- 6 (a) Why did Paul have to stop teaching in the synagogue at Ephesus and where did he continue afterwards? [8]
- (b) (i) Describe the incident when the sons of Sceva tried to heal a man possessed with an evil spirit. [8]
- (ii) What effect did this incident have upon the Ephesians, and why? [8]
- 7 (a) Who were the Pharisees? What were their beliefs? [12]
- (b) How did the fact that Paul was a Pharisee have a favourable influence on his trial before the Sanhedrin? [12]

- 8 (a)** Why did Paul appeal to Caesar? [10]
- (b)** Discuss the part played in Paul's trials by
- (i)** Festus, [8]
- and (ii)** King Agrippa. [6]

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