

Cambridge O Level

ISLAMIC STUDIES 2068/12

Paper 1 History and Scriptures

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **three** questions in total, **one** from each section.

Answer all parts of the questions you have chosen.

• Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].



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Answer **three** questions.

Choose one question from each section.

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

Section A: Arabia in the Pre-Islamic period

- 1 (a) Give four occupations that were common in Mecca in Pre-Islamic times. [4](b) Give an account of the different ways in which polytheism was practised in Pre-Islamic times.
 - (c) 'There were many good features in Arab society during the Pre-Islamic period.'

 Discuss this statement and show that you have thought about different points of view. [6]

[Total: 20]

[10]

- 2 (a) Give four reasons why the young Muhammad (pbuh) was cared for by Halima. [4]
 - (b) What aspects of the character of Muhammad (pbuh) signified that he might be a future prophet? [10]
 - (c) 'Muhammad (pbuh) was well supported in his childhood.'

 Discuss this statement and show that you have thought about different points of view. [6]

[Total: 20]

Section B: Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)

3 (a) Explain why Abu Bakr needed to rescue Bilal.

[4]

- (b) Describe the relationship between Muhammad (pbuh) and Abu Bakr during the Prophet's lifetime. [10]
- (c) 'The support of the early Muslims was important to the mission of Muhammad (pbuh) in Mecca.' Discuss this statement and show that you have thought about different points of view.

 [6]

[Total: 20]

- 4 (a) Describe what happened to 'Uthman when the Muslims camped at Hudaibiya. [4]
 - (b) Give an account of the terms of the Treaty of Hudaibiya and the reaction of the Muslims to the signing of the Treaty.[10]
 - (c) Signing the Treaty of Hudaibiya showed the leadership qualities of the Prophet (pbuh). Discuss how leaders today might follow his example. [6]

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

5 Sura 106: 1-4

- 1 For the covenants (Of security and safeguard Enjoyed) by the Quraish,
- 2 Their covenants (covering) journeys By winter and summer,—
- 3 Let them adore the Lord Of this House,
- 4 Who provides them With food against hunger, And with security Against fear (of danger).

[Yusuf Ali; An English interpretation of the Holy Qur'an.]

- (a) Explain the background to Sura Quraish and the message in it for the people of Mecca. [12]
- (b) 'Muslims can find solutions to all their problems in the Qur'an.'

 Discuss this statement and show that you have thought about different points of view. [8]

[Total: 20]

6 Hadith No 16 Tolerance

A man said to the Prophet (pbuh): 'Counsel me.' He said: 'Do not become angry.' The man repeated [his request] several times, and he said: 'Do not become angry.'

[An-Nawawi's Forty Hadith]

- (a) Explain the teaching in this Hadith and give **two** examples of how these teachings might be put into practice. [12]
- (b) To what extent can following this Hadith be a challenge for Muslims?

 Give reasons to support your answer.

 [8]

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