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## **Religious Studies**

### **Assessment Unit AS 3**

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**An Introduction to Old Testament  
Covenant and Prophecy**

**[AR131]**

**WEDNESDAY 13 JANUARY, MORNING**

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#### **TIME**

1 hour 20 minutes.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.  
Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

#### **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The total mark for this paper is 100.  
Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.  
Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

#### **ADVICE TO CANDIDATES**

You are advised to take account of the marks for each question or part question.

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## Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Explain the nature of God's Covenant with Moses at Mount Sinai. [35]
- (b) Explore the claim that the Mosaic laws were more concerned with religious worship than with social conduct. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Give an account of the purpose and significance of prophecy in the Old Testament. [35]
- (b) Comment on the view that courage was the most important quality for the success of a prophet's mission. Justify your answer. [15]

## Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Explain the connection between Hosea's marriage difficulties and his message. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that it is possible to forgive those who do not repent. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Describe the central themes of the message of First Isaiah. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the relevance of these themes for society. Justify your answer. [15]

