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Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 2

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An Introduction to the Acts of the Apostles

[AR121]

MONDAY 13 JUNE, MORNING



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) Describe and explain the importance of the main characteristics of the Book of Acts. [35]
- (b) Explore the view that Luke's central concern is the role of the Holy Spirit. Justify your answer. [15]
- 2 (a) Explain how Paul's second missionary journey brought him both joy and disappointment. [35]
- (b) Comment on the claim that Paul was mainly concerned with the conversion of the Gentiles. Justify your answer. [15]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a) Give an account of the role and importance of Stephen in Acts. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that it is difficult to defend religious belief and practice in a hostile world. Justify your answer. [15]
- 4 (a) Explain the significance of the events of the Day of Pentecost for the Early Church. [35]
- (b) With reference to other aspects of human experience, explore the claim that charismatic movements enrich the religious and spiritual lives of believers. Justify your answer. [15]

