

Cambridge O Level

ISLAMIC STUDIES 2068/22

Paper 2 Development, Sources, Beliefs and Observances

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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 [].



Answer three questions.

Choose **one** question from each section.

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

Section A: The Caliphate period/The Four Pious Caliphs

- 1 (a) State four things Abu Bakr said during his speech at the start of his caliphate. [4](b) Explain the problems Tulaiha and Musailama caused for Abu Bakr. [10]
 - (c) Discuss the importance of protecting poor and vulnerable people today. Refer to Abu Bakr in your answer. [6]

[Total: 20]

- 2 (a) Give four events in Medina which led to 'Uthman becoming Caliph. [4]
 - **(b)** Explain how the creation of a navy helped to expand 'Uthman's caliphate. [10]
 - (c) 'Uthman was kind and gentle. Discuss how Muslims might put these qualities into practice today. [6]

[Total: 20]

Section B: The history and importance of the Qur'an and Hadith

- 3 (a) Describe the category of hadith known as *hassan* (good). [4]
 - (b) Explain the role of the Hadith as a source which does not contradict the Qur'an. [10]
 - (c) Reliable Hadith narrators were trustworthy. Discuss the importance of providing trustworthy knowledge in Islam today. [6]

[Total: 20]

- 4 (a) Give four groups of people who Isa (AS) helped. [4]
 - (b) Explain the disagreements between Isa (AS) and priests of the Temple. [10]
 - (c) Isa (AS) preached against materialism. Discuss what Muslims can learn from this today. [6]

[Total: 20]

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Section C: Beliefs, practices and rituals

5 (a) Explain why Muslims believe that everything happens according to the will of God. [12]

(b) Muslims may believe life is a test. Discuss different ways in which they might respond to this in their daily lives. [8]

[Total: 20]

6 (a) Explain how **and** why Muslims pay *zakat*.

[12]

(b) Evaluate the importance of equality for Muslims.

[8]

[Total: 20]

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