General Certificate of Education
June 2007
Advanced Level Examination

**RELIGIOUS STUDIES**                       **RS07**
**Unit 7   Studies in the Old Testament**

Wednesday 13 June 2007    9.00 am to 10.30 am

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**For this paper you must have:**
- a 12-page answer book.

You are permitted the use of a Bible, which may
include the Apocrypha.

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Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Instructions**
- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is RS07.
- Answer **two** questions.

**Information**
- The maximum mark for this paper is 100.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Answer **two** questions.

1 (a) Explain what is meant by the 'Exodus tradition' **and** by the Exile. *(20 marks)*

(b) Outline the ways in which the themes of the Exodus are found in the passages you have studied from the Exilic period, and assess the claim that the Exodus tradition only came to be important at the time of the Exile. *(30 marks)*

2 (a) Explain the ways in which both the Law and Wisdom were the basis for daily life in Ancient Israel. *(20 marks)*

(b) Outline the views on human mortality and immortality in the passages which you have studied from the Wisdom literature, and assess the claim that, despite its emphasis on the afterlife, the real emphasis of these passages is on coping with daily life. *(30 marks)*

3 (a) Examine the views of the human condition, and of the relationship between humans and God, which are found in the passages you have studied from the book of Job and from the Psalms. *(20 marks)*

(b) (i) Outline the views of the human condition found in the passages you have studied from the book of Genesis.

(ii) Assess the claim that the views of the human condition found in the book of Genesis are more true to life than those found in the book of Job or in the Psalms.
*(30 marks)*

**END OF QUESTIONS**