

General Certificate of Education
June 2008
Advanced Level Examination



RELIGIOUS STUDIES
Unit 7 Studies in the Old Testament

RS07

Friday 6 June 2008 1.30 pm to 3.00 pm

For this paper you must have:

- a 12-page answer book.

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

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black 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) Examine the religious ideas which are found in Genesis 1-3. *(20 marks)*
- (b) (i) Examine the ideas on the relationship between humans and God found in Genesis 6-9.
- (ii) With reference to Genesis 1-3 and Genesis 6-9, assess the view that these passages are only important because of the religious ideas they contain. *(30 marks)*
- 2 (a) Examine the nature of Wisdom in the Old Testament passages you have studied. *(20 marks)*
- (b) Outline the nature of Law in the Old Testament passages you have studied, and assess whether Wisdom or Law was more important for the people of the Old Testament. *(30 marks)*
- 3 (a) Explain why the Exodus **and** the Exile may be seen as times of crisis for the people of Ancient Israel. *(20 marks)*
- (b) (i) Outline the ways in which the Exile may be seen as a time of new beginnings for the people.
- (ii) Assess the view that the Exile was more a time of crisis than a time of new opportunities and new beginnings. *(30 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS