
ISLAMIC STUDIES

2068/23

Paper 2 Development, Sources, Beliefs and Observances

October/November 2019

1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer **three** questions.

Choose **one** question from each section.

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

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A: The Caliphate Period/The Four Pious Caliphs

- 1 (a) Identify **four** events that happened during the Battle of Camel (Jamal). [4]
 (b) Explain the events that led to the Battle of Camel (Jamal). [10]
 (c) 'Ali was a good negotiator.'
 Discuss this statement. Give **two** reasons to support your answer. [6]
 [Total: 20]

- 2 (a) Give **four** characteristics of Caliph Umar. [4]
 (b) Explain the changes Umar made to encourage people to follow Islam. [10]
 (c) 'Umar was an effective ruler.'
 Discuss this statement with reference to the rule of Caliph Umar. [6]
 [Total: 20]

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

- 3 (a) State **four** occasions when Muhammad (pbuh) received revelations. [4]
 (b) Give an account of how the Caliphs ensured the Qur'an was preserved. [10]
 (c) 'It was not intended for the Qur'an to be written down.'
 Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer. [6]
 [Total: 20]

- 4 (a) Give **four** features of Musa's childhood. [4]
 (b) Describe what happened when Musa (AS) met Pharaoh. [10]
 (c) How is the life of Musa (AS) relevant to Muslims today? [6]
 [Total: 20]

Section C: Beliefs, practices and rituals

5 (a) Give an account of the meaning of Tawhid. [12]

(b) 'A Muslim does not need any help to understand the Qur'an.'
Do you agree? Give reasons to support your views. [8]

[Total: 20]

6 (a) Outline how Muslims prepare for and perform their early morning prayers (Fajr). [12]

(b) Discuss the importance of observing the five daily prayers for Muslims. [8]

[Total: 20]

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