



# Cambridge O Level

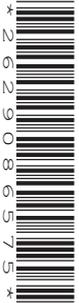
**ISLAMIC STUDIES**

**2068/23**

Paper 2 Development, Sources, Beliefs and Observances

**October/November 2020**

**1 hour 30 minutes**



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

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## 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 [ ].

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This document has **4** pages. Blank pages are indicated.

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) Describe Caliph Abu Bakr as a leader. [4]
- (b) Explain how Abu Bakr's policies helped people to follow Islam. [10]
- (c) 'Abu Bakr promoted tolerance of different beliefs.'  
Discuss this statement and show that you have thought about different points of view. [6]
- [Total: 20]

- 2 (a) Identify **four** events which occurred during 'Ali's Caliphate. [4]
- (b) Explain the significance of 'Ali's leadership for Muslims today. [10]
- (c) Discuss which aspect of 'Ali's rule was most significant.  
Give reasons to support your point of view. [6]
- [Total: 20]

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

- 3 (a) Give **four** reasons why the Hadith are important. [4]
- (b) Explain the classification of Hadith according to their reliability. [10]
- (c) 'The Hadith are easy to apply in Muslims' lives today.'  
Do you agree? Explain your answer and show that you have thought about different points of view. [6]
- [Total: 20]

- 4 (a) Why were Yusuf's brothers jealous of him? [4]
- (b) Give an account of what happened when Yusuf (AS) and his brothers were reunited in Egypt. [10]
- (c) Assess the relevance of the story of Yusuf (AS) for Muslim families today. [6]
- [Total: 20]

**Section C: Beliefs, practices and rituals**

- 5 (a) Outline Muslim beliefs in predestination and decree. [12]
- (b) 'It does not matter what Muslims do, their fate is already decided.'  
Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answer and show that you have considered different points of view. [8]
- [Total: 20]
- 6 (a) Outline the rituals Muslims perform during the *Hajj* pilgrimage. [12]
- (b) 'The best way to renew faith is to perform *Hajj*.'  
Discuss this statement and give reasons to support your views. [8]
- [Total: 20]

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