GCSE
RELIGIOUS STUDIES A

Paper 1: Islam

Monday 14 May 2018       Afternoon       Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials
Before you open this book, you must ensure you also have:
• the Question Paper/Answer Book for the other religion option
  you are entered for (Buddhism, Christianity, Catholic Christianity,
  Hinduism, Judaism or Sikhism).
  You will have 1 hour 45 minutes to complete both Question Paper/Answer Books.

Instructions
• Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
• Fill in the boxes at the top of this page and on your other book.
• Answer all questions.
• If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of
  this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
• Do all rough work in this book.
  Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
• You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.
  Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.

Information
• The maximum mark for this paper is 51.
• The marks for the questions are shown in brackets.
• Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) will be assessed in the 12-mark
  question in the Beliefs section.

Advice
You are advised to spend 50 minutes on this religion option and 50 minutes on your other religion option.
Islam: Beliefs

Which one of the following describes Muslim beliefs about life after death? [1 mark]

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A  Tawhid  
B  Akhirah  
C  Shahadah  
D  Adalat

Name two articles of faith in Sunni Islam. [2 marks]

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01.3 Explain **two** ways in which belief in predestination influences Muslims today. [4 marks]

01.4 Explain **two** Muslim beliefs about the role of prophets.
Refer to sacred writings or another source of Muslim belief and teaching in your answer. [5 marks]
‘The Qur’an is the only authority a Muslim needs in life.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:
• refer to Muslim teaching
• give reasoned arguments to support this statement
• give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
• reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]
[SPaG 3 marks]
Islam: Practices

02.1 Which one of the following words describes the daily prayers that Muslims perform? [1 mark]
Put a tick (√) in the box next to the correct answer.

A  Jihad
B  Sawm
C  Wudu
D  Salah

02.2 Give two actions that Muslims perform during Hajj. [2 marks]

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02.3 Explain **two** contrasting Muslim beliefs about giving alms.

[4 marks]

02.4 Explain **two** ways in which Muslims celebrate the festival of Id-ul-Fitr.

Refer to sacred writings and another source of Muslim belief and teaching in your answer.

[5 marks]
‘The Friday prayer (Jummah) is more important than the daily prayers.’

Evaluate this statement.

In your answer you should:
• refer to Muslim teaching
• give reasoned arguments to support this statement
• give reasoned arguments to support a different point of view
• reach a justified conclusion.

[12 marks]
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