

Cambridge International Examinations

Cambridge Ordinary Level

ISLAMIC STUDIES 2068/13

Paper 1 History and Scriptures

October/November 2017 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: Arabia in the Pre-Islamic period

1 (a) Describe four beliefs of the hanifs of Pre-Islamic Arabia. [4] (b) In what ways did the early life of Muhammad (pbuh) prepare him for his mission as a prophet? [10] (c) 'Mecca did not need Islam to make it a holy place.' Discuss this statement and show that you have considered different points of view. [6] 2 (a) Describe four features of the tribal system in Arabia before Islam. [4] (b) Outline the ways in which the tribal system changed when the people became Muslims. [10] (c) To what extent did the tribal system protect Muhammad (pbuh) when he began to preach Islam openly? [6] Section B: Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) 3 (a) Give four reasons for the Prophet's decision to make the Hijra. [4] (b) Explain the nature of the relationship between the Prophet (pbuh), Muhajirun and Ansar, as he settled in Medina. [10] (c) 'If the Hijra had not taken place, Islam would have disappeared.' Discuss this statement and show that you have considered different points of view. [6] (a) Why did the Meccans want to fight the Battle of Uhud? [4] **(b)** Give an account of the events of the Battle of Uhud. [10] (c) What lessons might Muslims today learn from the defeat at Uhud? [6]

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Section C: Texts from the Holy Qur'an and Hadith

5 Sura 112: 1-4

- 1 Say: He is Allah, the One and Only;
- 2 Allah, the Eternal, Absolute;
- 3 He begetteth not, nor is He begotten;
- 4 And there is none like unto Him.

[Yusuf Ali; An English interpretation of the Holy Qur'an.]

- (a) Explain the background and the teachings of Sura Ikhlas.
- (b) Discuss how belief in God affects the life of a Muslim.

6 Hadith No 18 Piety

'Fear Allah wherever you are, and follow up a bad deed with a good one and it will wipe it out, and behave well towards people.'

[An-Nawawi's Forty Hadith]

[12]

[8]

- (a) (i) Explain the teaching in this Hadith and
 - (ii) Give an example of a situation where a Muslim might follow up a bad deed with a good one. [12]
- (b) Choose one other Hadith that you know and discuss whether the teaching in it is relevant to young people today. [8]

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