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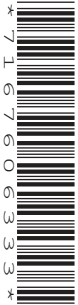
ISLAMIC STUDIES

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Paper 3 Heritage of Islam

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
Section A: answer **one** question.
Section B: answer **one** question.
- 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 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Section A

Answer **EITHER** Question 1 **OR** Question 2.

EITHER

1 Study Fig. 1.1 which shows Umayyad coins.



Fig. 1.1

- (a) Describe how education and trade developed under the Umayyads. You should refer to Fig. 1.1 and your own knowledge in your answer. [10]
- (b) 'The Umayyads' most important policies were their religious policies.' Do you agree? Refer to different points of view in your answer. [15]

[Total: 25]

OR

2 Study Fig. 2.1 which shows Socrates, an ancient Greek philosopher.



Fig. 2.1

- (a) Describe the translation movement under the 'Abbasids. You should refer to Fig. 2.1 and your own knowledge in your answer. [10]
- (b) 'The 'Abbasids succeeded because they were open to other traditions.' Evaluate this statement. You should make reference to different points of view. [15]

[Total: 25]

Section B

Answer **EITHER** Question 3 **OR** Question 4.

EITHER

- 3 (a) Explain how Muslims may find meaning in signs in the natural world. [10]
- (b) 'It is easier to learn from signs in the natural world than from revelations.'
To what extent is this true for Muslims? [15]
- [Total: 25]

OR

- 4 (a) Explain how Islamic beliefs are expressed through the features of **one** mosque that you have studied. [10]
- (b) To what extent do mosques display the same features?
Discuss with reference to **two** mosques which you have studied. [15]
- [Total: 25]

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