



Cambridge O Level

ISLAMIC STUDIES

2068/22

Paper 2 Development, Sources, Beliefs and Observances

May/June 2025

1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

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 [].

This document has **4** pages. Any 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 Four Pious Caliphs

- 1 (a) Give **four** examples of 'Uthman's piety. [4]
- (b) Explain how 'Uthman helped his people with religious facilities. [10]
- (c) Discuss **two** aspects of 'Uthman's rule which might inspire Muslims the most. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 2 (a) Outline 'Ali's conversion to Islam. [4]
- (b) Explain how 'Ali organised his caliphate. [10]
- (c) To what extent is 'Ali best known for his use of negotiation? Give reasons to support your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]

Section B: The Qur'an, Hadith and Muslim beliefs and practices

- 3 (a) Give **four** occasions on which the Prophet (pbuh) received revelations after the Night of Power (Laylat al-Qadr). [4]
- (b) Describe the events which occurred in Cave Hira' during the Night of Power (Laylat al-Qadr). [10]
- (c) To what extent was the Night of Power (Laylat al-Qadr) the most significant event in the revelation of the Qur'an? Give reasons to support your answer. [6]
- [Total: 20]
- 4 (a) Give **four** actions that are performed during daily prayer (*salah*). [4]
- (b) Explain how the details of daily prayer (*salah*) are found in the Hadith. [10]
- (c) Evaluate the significance of daily prayer (*salah*) in the faith of individual Muslims. [6]
- [Total: 20]

Section C: Festivals, rituals and social interactions in the lives of Muslims

- 5** (a) Explain different ways in which Muslims might support their local mosques. [12]
- (b) To what extent is supporting local mosques a very important duty for Muslims? Give reasons to support your answer. [8]

[Total: 20]

- 6** (a) Describe the religious actions and traditions on the day of 'Id al-Fitr. [12]
- (b) To what extent are social traditions the most significant feature of 'Id al-Fitr? Give reasons to support your answer. [8]

[Total: 20]

BLANK PAGE

Permission to reproduce items where third-party owned material protected by copyright is included has been sought and cleared where possible. Every reasonable effort has been made by the publisher (UCLES) to trace copyright holders, but if any items requiring clearance have unwittingly been included, the publisher will be pleased to make amends at the earliest possible opportunity.

To avoid the issue of disclosure of answer-related information to candidates, all copyright acknowledgements are reproduced online in the Cambridge Assessment International Education Copyright Acknowledgements Booklet. This is produced for each series of examinations and is freely available to download at www.cambridgeinternational.org after the live examination series.

Cambridge Assessment International Education is part of Cambridge Assessment. Cambridge Assessment is the brand name of the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate (UCLES), which is a department of the University of Cambridge.