

Cambridge International Examinations Cambridge Ordinary Level

ISLAMIC STUDIES 2068/12

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 features of polytheism in Pre-Islamic Arabia.	[4]	
	(b)	Why did the first revelation in the cave Hira cause Muhammad (pbuh) to be afraid?	[10]	
	(c)	Which feature of Khadija's support for Muhammad (pbuh) helped him the most?	[6]	
2	(a)	In Pre-Islamic Arabia some people followed the religion of Ibrahim. What does this mean	ia some people followed the religion of Ibrahim. What does this mean? [4]	
	(b)	What was the significance of the Ka'ba in Pre-Islamic Arabia?	[10]	
	(c)	To what extent does the Hajj today focus on the history of the Ka'ba?	[6]	
Section B: Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)				
3	(a)	Describe the reaction when the Prophet (pbuh) first spoke openly at Safa.	[4]	
	(b)	Outline the persecution faced by Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) and the early Muslims in Me		
	(c)	What lessons might Muslims today learn from the Prophet's behaviour and attitude d those times of difficulty?	uring [6]	
4	(a)	State four actions taken by Muhammad (pbuh) when he entered Mecca at the time of Conquest.	of the [4]	
	(b)	Give an account of the events leading up to the Conquest of Mecca.	[10]	
	(c)	To what extent does the story of the Conquest of Mecca demonstrate that Islam is a peareligion?	ceful [6]	

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

5 Sura 108: 1–3

- 1 To thee have We Granted the Fount (of Abundance).
- 2 Therefore to thy Lord Turn in Prayer And Sacrifice.
- 3 For he who hateth thee, He will be cut off (From Future Hope).

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

- (a) Explain the teachings in Sura Kauthar and the circumstances in which it was revealed. [12]
- (b) What does Sura Kauthar tell us about the Prophet's dedication to Islam and how might Muslims follow his example? [8]
- **6 (a)** Explain what is meant by the following two Hadiths:
 - (i) Hadith No 11 Doubt

Leave that which makes you doubt for that which does not make you doubt.

(ii) Hadith No 16 Tolerance

A man said to the Prophet (pbuh): Counsel me. He said: Do not become angry. The man repeated [his request] several times, and he said: Do not become angry.

[An-Nawawi's Forty Hadith]

[12]

(b) Choose **one** of these Hadiths and discuss, with examples, how Muslims might apply it in their lives. [8]

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