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Level 1/Level 2 GCSE (9–1)

Religious Studies A

(Short Course)
Paper 3: Area of Study 3 – Study of Islam

Thursday 24 May 2018 – Afternoon
Time: 50 minutes

Paper Reference
3RA0/03

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 51.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The question labelled with an **asterisk** (*) is the one where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
– *you should take particular care on this question with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the use of specialist terminology.*
- The marks available for spelling, punctuation and grammar are clearly indicated.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Question 1: Beliefs

1 (a) Outline **three** of the six Beliefs of Islam.

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(b) Explain **two** ways the belief in akhirah could affect the life of a Muslim today.

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(c) Explain **two** Islamic teachings on the nature of Allah.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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In this question, 3 of the marks awarded will be for your spelling, punctuation and grammar and your use of specialist terminology.

* (d) "Muhammad is the only prophet needed for Muslims."

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Muslim teachings
- reach a justified conclusion.

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(Total for Question 1 = 27 marks)



Question 2: Practices

2 (a) Outline **three** of the Five Pillars.

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(b) Explain **two** reasons why Id-ul-Fitr is important for Muslims.

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(c) Explain **two** reasons why going on Hajj is important for Muslims.

In your answer you must refer to a source of wisdom and authority.

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(d) "Giving Zakah makes a difference to the poor."

Evaluate this statement considering arguments for and against.

In your response you should:

- refer to Muslim teachings
- reach a justified conclusion.

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