

Religious Studies 2  
0785

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Subject Title	Religious Studies
Paper No. / Title	Paper 2: The Old Testament/ Islam and African Traditional Beliefs and Practices
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**Three Hours**

Answer **FOUR** questions chosen from any **ONE SECTION**.

All questions carry equal marks.

*You are reminded of the necessity for good English and orderly presentation in your answers.*

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**REPLACEMENT**

Turn Over

## 1.0 THE OLD TESTAMENT/JEWISH BIBLE

### Section 1.1: The Patriarchs to David

1. Abraham has been described as the 'ideal Israel'. Substantiate this statement. (25 marks)
2. Show proof that the patriarchs were polytheistic in their religious worship. (25 marks)
3. Consider the duplicity of the character of Jacob. (25 marks)
4. (a) Who was Jethro? (05 marks)  
(b) Examine his role in the life of Moses. (20 marks)
5. "The war against the Amalekites turned out to be a curse rather than a blessing for Saul." Justify this assertion. (25 marks)
6. "David was a king after God's heart". Assess the validity of this statement. (25 marks)

### Section 5.3: Islam

7. "Fasting is prescribed for you as it was prescribed to those before you..." Critically examine this statement with reference to Muslim fasting during the Ramadan. (25 marks)
8. To what extent is the Hadith a source of authority in Islam? (25 marks)
9. Examine the role of an Imam in Islam. (25 marks)
10. (a) What is the Hajj? (05 marks)  
(b) Examine the major aspects of the Hajj in Islam. (20 marks)
11. Assess the importance of the Muslim belief in life after death. (25 marks)
12. Carefully examine the main features of the Meccan Surahs. (25 marks)

### Section 5.5 African Traditional Religious Beliefs and Practices

13. Belief is one of the essential features of African Traditional Religions. Discuss. (25 marks)
14. What is the role of ancestors in African Traditional Religions? (25 marks)
15. How do Africans conceive the nature of God? (25 marks)
16. Discuss the causes of death in African Traditional Religions. (25 marks)
17. Analyse the works of the Supreme Being in African Traditional Religions. (25 marks)
18. Discuss the various initiation rites from childhood to adulthood in African Traditional Religions. (25 marks)