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 General Certificate of Education

Religious Studies

Assessment Unit AS 3
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An Introduction to Themes in the Old Testament



SRE31

[SRE31] Assessment

TIME

1 hour 20 minutes.

Assessment Level of Control:

Tick the relevant box (✓)

Controlled Conditions	
Other	

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
 Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 100.
 Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.
 Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each part question in allocating the available examination time.

Section A

Answer **one** question from Section A

- 1 (a) Discuss the issues raised by the role of Micaiah in the death of King Ahab. [25]
- (b) To what extent were biblical prophets only bearers of bad news? Justify your answer. [25]
- 2 (a) "Saul is presented as a tragic figure, whereas David is praised as Israel's ideal king."
With reference to this quotation, examine the relationship between Saul and David. [25]
- (b) Evaluate the view that the Davidic Covenant was radically different from other covenants. Justify your answer. [25]

Section B

Answer **one** question from Section B

- 3 (a)** Explain the role of the king in Psalm 72 and consider why it was written. [25]
- (b)** With reference to other aspects of human experience, comment on the view that religious leaders often misuse religious texts. Justify your answer. [25]
- 4 (a)** “God will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in truth.” (Psalm 96:13)
With reference to this quotation, explain how Israel understood God’s reign. [25]
- (b)** With reference to other aspects of human experience, assess the claim that it is impossible to know God’s will. Justify your answer. [25]

