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Paper 3 Heritage of Islam **October/November 2024**

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You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **two** questions in total:
  - Section A: answer **one** question.
  - Section B: answer **one** question.
- 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 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [ ].

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Section A

Answer **EITHER** Question 1 **OR** Question 2.

EITHER

1 Study Fig. 1.1 which shows Umayyad constructions.



Fig. 1.1

(a) Explain the ways in which the Umayyad caliphs provided religious leadership. You should refer to Fig. 1.1 and your own knowledge in your answer. [10]

(b) 'The main purpose of the Umayyad caliphs was to provide religious leadership.' Do you agree? You should make reference to different points of view in your answer. [15]

[Total: 25]

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OR

2 Study Fig. 2.1 which shows Mahmud of Ghazni receiving a robe from the ʿAbbasid Caliph.



Fig. 2.1

(a) Explain how the ʿAbbasid caliphs strengthened their rule.
You should refer to Fig. 2.1 and your own knowledge in your answer. [10]

(b) Discuss how far the power of the ʿAbbasid caliphs still inspires Muslims today.
You should make reference to different points of view. [15]

[Total: 25]

Section B

Answer **EITHER** Question 3 **OR** Question 4.

EITHER

3 **(a)** Explain how **one** significant work written by a Muslim that you have studied might be used to invite people to Islam. [10]

(b) 'It is more effective to use different sources for different people.'
Discuss this statement with regard to ways in which Muslims might explain to others their main beliefs (*daʿwah*) today. [15]

[Total: 25]

OR

4 **(a)** Explain the meaning of domes and geometrical patterns in Islamic architecture. [10]

(b) Discuss the effectiveness of Islamic architecture in portraying Muslim beliefs about God. [15]

[Total: 25]

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