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## OxfordAQA International GCSE Islamiat (9237)

## Summary of changes (Specification and assessment)

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The following changes have been made to the assessment:

The command word and question stem used for the 12-mark questions have been altered, and the Levels of Response mark-scheme has been updated.

This change affects the following questions:

- Paper 1, Section A, Question 1.5
- Paper 1, Section B, Question 2.5
- Paper 2, Section A, Question 1.5
- Paper 2, Section B, Question 2.5

To reflect this, changes have been made to sections 4.1 and 4.2 of the specification.

Corrections have also been made to the 'Aims and Learning Outcomes' and 'Assessment Objective' weightings in Sections 4.1 and 4.2 of the specification.

New sections of content have been added to the specification:

3.2 The life of Hazrat Muhammad خَاتَمُ النَّبِيِّنَ صَلَّى الله عَلَيْہِ وَ عَلَى الْم وَ اَصْحَابِم وَسَلَّمَ and sources of authority in Islam

• Three new sections of content have been added: 3.2.2.8, 3.2.2.9 and 3.2.2.10. These are as follows:

3.2.2.8 The personal impact of sources of authority on the character of a Muslim

3.2.2.9 The social impact of sources of authority on the character of a Muslim

3.2.2.10 The legal impact of sources of authority on the character of a Muslim

6.4 Passages for study for Sources of authority in Islam

• Three new passages have been added to section 6.4 of the specification to correspond with the three new specification sections 3.2.2.8, 3.2.2.9 and 3.2.2.10.

The prescribed passage for 3.2.2.8 is Sahih Muslim 2564c, Book 45, Hadith 42

The prescribed passage for 3.2.2.9 is Sahih-al Bukhari 6016, Book 78, Hadith 47

The prescribed passage for 3.2.2.10 is Qur'an 2:275

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Minor additions and alterations have been made to the following sections of the specification.

3.1 Living the Muslim life

- 3.1.1.1 The oneness of God (*Tawhid*)
- 3.1.1.2 Key beliefs
- 3.1.1.3 Concept of belief in Allah
- 3.1.1.4 Belief in Angels
- 3.1.2.5 Zakah
- 3.1.2.6 *Hajj*
- 3.1.2.7 Jihad

3.2 The life of Hazrat Muhammad خَاتَمُ النَّبِيَّنَ صنَلًى الله عَلَيْ وَعَلَى الم وَاَصْحَابِم وَسَلَّمَ and sources of authority in Islam

خَاتَمُ النَّبِيَّنَ صَلًى الله عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى أَلِم وَاَصْحَابٍم وَسَلَّمَ 3.2.1.2 Early life of Hazrat Muhammad

3.2.1.9 The battles fought by Hazrat

خَاتَمُ النَّبِيِّنَ صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى الهِ وَاصْحَابِ وَسَلَّمَ Muhammad

6.1 Passages for study for Islam: Beliefs and teachings - pages 19 and 20

To reflect the change in the sequencing of 3.1.1.2 Key beliefs and 3.1.1.3 Concept of belief in Allah, the prescribed passage for 3.1.1.2 is now Qur'an 2:285-286 and the prescribed passages for 3.1.1.3 is now Qur'an 59:22-24

The following additional guidance has been added to the specification:

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• A statement about the use of salutations has been added to Page 2 of the specification, and changes to salutations have been made throughout the specification.

Section 6 Appendix: Prescribed passages from the Qur'an and Hadith for study - page 19

Guidance for centres based in Pakistan has been added to page 19 of the specification.