H.18  HEBREW SPECIAL SUBJECT:
HISTORY OF THE HEBREW LANGUAGE

Candidates should answer four of the following questions.
All questions are of equal value.

Write your number not your name on the cover sheet of each Section booklet.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS
20 Page Answer Book x 1
Rough Work Pad

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator.
Answer any four of the following questions:

1. Describe the background of the Tiberian vocalization and the pronunciation that it reflects.
2. Describe the Babylonian vocalization tradition and the pronunciation that it reflects.
3. Describe the Palestinian vocalization tradition and the pronunciation that it reflects.
4. Discuss the linguistic diversity that can be identified in the Masoretic Text of the Hebrew Bible.
5. Describe the history of the guttural consonants in Hebrew.
6. Describe the history of the sibilant consonants in Hebrew.
7. What is the linguistic background of the *qāṭal* and *yiqṭōl* forms in Biblical Hebrew?
8. Describe the different traditions of Rabbinic Hebrew.
10. Describe the background of the Hebrew that was used in medieval letters from the Cairo Genizah.

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