

General Certificate of Education
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Advanced Level Examination



ARCHAEOLOGY
Unit 4 Settlement and Social Organisation

ACH4

Tuesday 10 June 2008 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- a 12-page answer book
- a Sources Booklet (enclosed).

Time allowed: 1 hour and 30 minutes

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Use pencil only for drawing.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is ACH4.
- Answer **two** questions.
Answer **Question 1** from **Section A** and **one** question from **Section B**.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- **Figures 1 to 3** for use in answering Question 1 are printed in a separate Sources Booklet.
- You will be marked on your ability to use good English, to organise information clearly and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
- You may make illustrations in your answer book provided they explain or add to your answer.
- In answering the questions full credit will only be given where it is clear that, in addition to commenting in detail on your observations on the sources provided, you have also used particular detailed archaeological examples drawn from studies in the context that you have chosen. Limited use may be made of appropriate historical sources but these should not form the main substance of your discussion.
- You may use a magnifying glass to assist interpretation of figures.

SECTION A

Study **Figures 1 to 3** in the enclosed Sources Booklet and answer **both** parts of the question.

- 1 (a) What sources are available to archaeologists investigating social differences based on gender and age in the past? You should refer to at least **one** of **Figures 1 to 3** and use your own knowledge in your answer. *(12 marks)*
- (b) How far is it possible to differentiate between achieved and ascribed status using physical evidence from the past? You should refer to at least **one** of **Figures 1 to 3** and use your own knowledge in your answer. *(13 marks)*

SECTION B

Answer **one** question from this section.

- 2 Discuss the archaeological evidence for the decline or collapse of past societies. *(25 marks)*
- 3 To what extent can the nature of society be gauged from individual dwellings? *(25 marks)*
- 4 ‘All landscapes are the product of human activity.’ Discuss. *(25 marks)*

END OF QUESTIONS

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Sources Booklet

Figures 1 to 3 for use in answering **Section A**

FIGURES FOR USE IN ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS IN SECTION A

Figure 1 'The grave of the Golden Penis': Varna cemetery, Bulgaria. c4000 BC



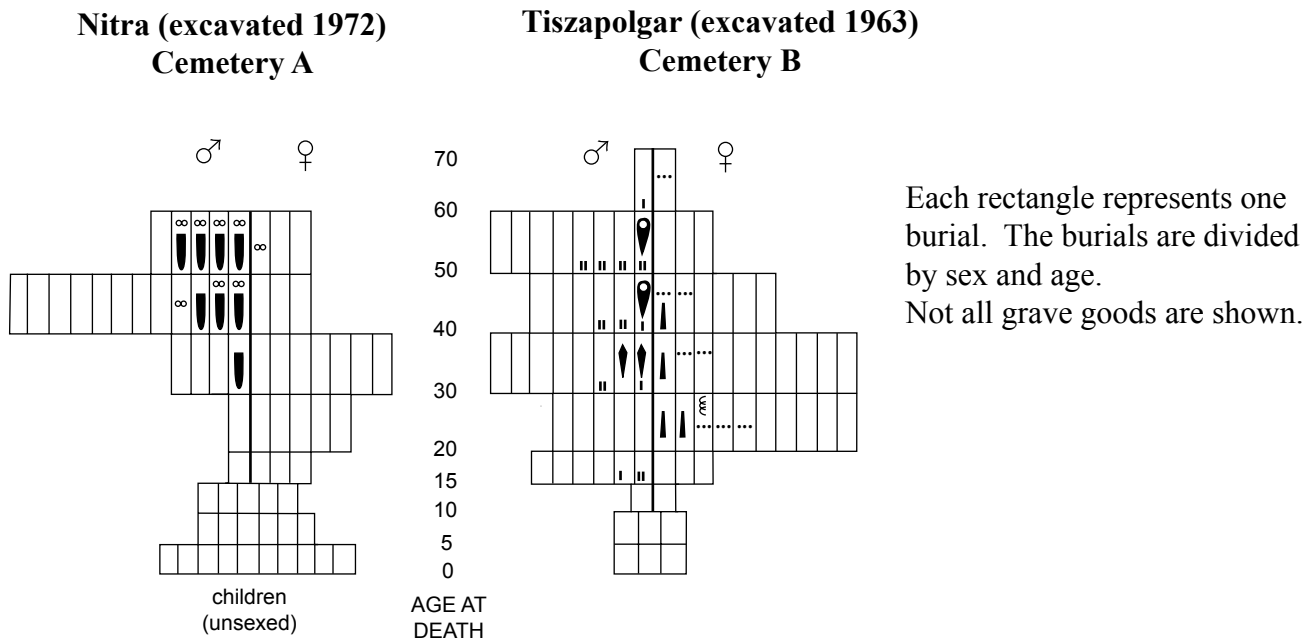
Figure 2 Painted limestone pair-statue of Katep and Hetepheres, a married couple.
Height 47.5 cms. Egypt.



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Figure 3 A selection of grave goods by burials at two central European cemeteries from the 6th and 5th millennia BC.



KEY TO SYMBOLS

- ▮ Stone 'shoelast' axe
- ∞ Spondylus* ornament
- ♣ Stone 'shafthole' axe
- ♣ Copper dagger
- ⊗ Copper bracelet
- ▮ Copper awl**
- ┆ Copper pin
- ┆ Bone awl**
- ... Limestone beads

* A rare shellfish from the Mediterranean

** A piercing tool

END OF SOURCES

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