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## Classical Civilisation

## CIV1F

Unit 1F The Life and Times of Cicero

Friday 13 January 2012 9.00 am to 10.30 am

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

### Time allowed

- 1 hour 30 minutes

### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Do **not** use pencil or gel pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book.  
The **Paper Reference** is CIV1F.
- Answer questions from **two** options.  
Choose **one** option from Section 1 and **one** option from Section 2.  
Answer **all** questions from the options you have chosen.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.  
Do **not** tear out any part of the book. All work must be handed in.
- If you use more than one book, check that you have written the information required on each book.

### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 65.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

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## Section 1

Choose **either** Option A **or** Option B.

Answer **all** questions from the option you have chosen.

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### EITHER

#### Option A

Read the passage from *Against Verres 1* below and answer Questions 01 to 06 which follow.

Now, gentlemen, I must ask you what you think I ought to do. I am convinced that your unspoken advice will correspond with what my own understanding tells me is the necessary course. If I employ for my speech the whole time allotted by law, then certainly my industrious efforts will not go altogether unrewarded; for my conduct of the prosecution will at least demonstrate that no one in human memory can ever have come to court better equipped, more thoroughly prepared, and more vigilantly watchful. But there is a serious danger that amid such praises for my laborious endeavours the defendant will slip away! 5

*Against Verres 1*, page 49

- 0 1** From what class did the 'gentlemen' of the jury (line 1) come? (1 mark)
- 0 2** Which province had complained about Verres? (1 mark)
- 0 3** Why had people from this province asked Cicero rather than anyone else to prosecute Verres? Make **two** points. (2 marks)
- 0 4** In which particular court in Rome was Verres on trial? (1 mark)
- 0 5** How 'industrious' (line 4) **and** 'vigilantly watchful' (line 7) had Cicero been in preparing his prosecution of Verres? Give the reasons for your views and support them with details from Cicero's account of his preparations in *Against Verres 1*. (10 marks)
- 0 6** How comprehensive was Cicero's attack on Verres in *Against Verres 1*? Give the reasons for your views and support them with details from *Against Verres 1*.

You might include discussion of

- the unusual procedure Cicero adopted in the court and his reasons for this
- how much detail he gives in *Against Verres 1* about the alleged crimes which have led to Verres' prosecution
- how far Cicero attacks the rest of Verres' career
- Cicero's account of Verres' attempts to manipulate the case
- other ways in which Cicero attempts to secure Verres' conviction. (20 marks)

OR

**Option B**

Read the passage below and answer Questions 07 to 09 which follow. The passage comes from a letter Cicero wrote to Atticus at the start of the Civil War in 49 BC.

If one's country is being tyrannized, what are the arguments in favour of helping it by verbal means and when occasion arises, rather than by war?

Is it statesmanlike, when one's country is under a tyranny, to retire to some other place and remain inactive there, or ought one to brave any danger in order to liberate it?

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If one's country is under a tyranny, is it right to proceed to its invasion and blockade?

Ought one, even if not approving of war as a means of abolishing tyranny, to join up with the right-minded party in the struggle against it?

*Att. 9.4*

**0 | 7** What had Caesar done which started the Civil War **and** why had he done this? Make **five** points. *(5 marks)*

**0 | 8** How far do you criticise Cicero for not committing himself to either side in the Civil War until June 49 BC? Give the reasons for your views. *(10 marks)*

**0 | 9** From June 49 BC to Cicero's death in 43 BC, to what extent did Cicero 'remain inactive' **and** to what extent did he 'brave any danger' (line 4)? Give the reasons for your views.

You might include discussion of

- Cicero's actions during the Civil War from June 49 BC
- his attitude towards Caesar and his actions after the Civil War
- his behaviour after Caesar's murder and involvement with the conspirators
- his dealings with Antony and Octavian. *(20 marks)*

**Turn over for the next question**

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## Section 2

Choose **either** Option C **or** Option D and answer the question below.

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**EITHER****Option C**

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In Cicero's political career between 67 and 60 BC, how great were his successes **and** how disastrous were his failures both immediately and in the longer term? Give the reasons for your views.

You might include discussion of

- Cicero's ambitions and principles
  - his support for Pompey
  - Cicero's achievement in being elected praetor and consul
  - his successes and failures while consul
  - his political aims after his consulship and the difficulties he faced in achieving them
  - the significance for the future of his successes and failures between 67 and 60 BC.
- (30 marks)*

**OR****Option D**

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'Cicero's career between 60 and 50 BC was a shameful failure.'

How far do you agree? Give the reasons for your views and refer to Cicero's letters during this period to his family, Atticus and Caelius Rufus.

You might include discussion of

- the formation of the first triumvirate and the difficulties Cicero faced in achieving his political aims
  - the reasons for his exile
  - his aims between his return from exile and the conference at Luca
  - the consequences of the conference at Luca
  - the political situation between 55 and 50 BC
  - Cicero's governorship of Cilicia.
- (30 marks)*

## END OF QUESTIONS

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