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Classical Civilisation

CIV1F

Unit 1F The Life and Times of Cicero

Friday 18 May 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.

Section 1

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

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

EITHER**Option A**

Read the passage from a letter to Caelius below and answer Questions 01 to 06 which follow.

I am extraordinarily nervous about what is going to be decreed concerning the provincial governorships. My longing for Rome is quite unbounded! You could not believe how I long for my friends and most of all for yourself.

My province, on the other hand, bores me completely. This may be because the degree of distinction which I feel I have already attained in my career makes me not so much ambitious to add to it as fearful of impairing it. Or perhaps it is because the whole business is unworthy of my capacities, in comparison with the heavier burdens which I can bear and often do bear in the service of my country. Or it may be because we are menaced by the horror of a major war in these parts, which I seem likely to avoid if I leave the province on the appointed day. 5
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The matter of the panthers is being carefully attended to by my orders through the agency of the men who make a practice of hunting them. But there are surprisingly few of the animals; and those that there are, I am told, complain that in my province they are the only living creatures for whom traps are laid!

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- 0 1** Why did Caelius want Cicero to send him panthers? (1 mark)
- 0 2** In lines 9-10 Cicero expresses his fear of war with Parthia. Which Roman leader had been killed while fighting the Parthians a few years earlier? (1 mark)
- 0 3** After leaving Cilicia, Cicero sent a letter to Tiro. Who was Tiro **and** why was Cicero concerned about him? (2 marks)
- 0 4** In which province was Julius Caesar at this time? (1 mark)
- 0 5** To what extent do you think the feelings Cicero shows towards his province in the passage were typical of Roman attitudes towards the provinces? Give the reasons for your views. (10 marks)

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How consistently did Cicero try to avoid leaving mainland Italy during his career? Give the reasons for your views.

You might include discussion of

- his quaestorship
- gathering evidence against Verres
- his attitude towards taking up a provincial command after his praetorship and consulship
- his reaction to Caesar's offers in 59 BC
- his dealings with Clodius
- the circumstances in which he became governor of Cilicia
- the Civil War
- his enrolment on Dolabella's staff in 44 BC.

(20 marks)

Turn over for the next question

Turn over ►

OR

Option B

Read the passage from a letter to Atticus below and answer Questions 07 to 12 which follow.

I came to Antium today (the eighth). Brutus was pleased I had come. Then, before a large audience – Servilia, Tertulla, Porcia – he asked me what I advised. Favonius was also there. My advice, which I had been thinking out on the journey, was that he should accept the directorship of the corn-supply from Asia. The only thing left for us to do, I said, was to ensure his safety, since that was equivalent to safeguarding the Republic itself. While I was talking, Cassius came in. 5

Att. 15.11

- 0 7** What had Brutus done on the Ides of March 44 BC? (1 mark)
- 0 8** What had Brutus previously asked Cicero's advice on, according to Cicero in another letter? (1 mark)
- 0 9** Who had offered Brutus 'the directorship of the corn-supply from Asia' (line 4) **and** why did Brutus not want to accept it? (2 marks)
- 1 0** Who was Tertulla (line 2)? (1 mark)
- 1 1** To what extent did Cicero approve of the actions of Brutus and his supporters **and** to what extent did he criticise them? Give the reasons for your views and support them with details from the letters you have read. (10 marks)
- 1 2** How close was Cicero to the women in his own family **and** how big a part did they play in his political career? Give the reasons for your views.

You might include discussion of

- Terentia, Cicero's first wife
- Tullia, his daughter
- Publilia, his second wife
- Pomponia, his sister-in-law.

(20 marks)

Section 2

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

EITHER**Option C**

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How wholeheartedly did Cicero support, or oppose, changes in Roman politics in the period 70 to 50 BC? Give the reasons for your views.

You might include discussion of

- the reasons why Cicero acted as he did
- Cicero's prosecution of Verres
- Pompey's commands in 67 and 66 BC
- Cicero's consulship
- his ambitions as ex-consul
- his attitude towards the first triumvirate before and after his exile
- the conference at Luca and its consequences
- Cicero's behaviour between 55 and 50 BC.

(30 marks)

OR**Option D**

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'In his attacks on Verres, Catiline and Antony, Cicero was more concerned with his own reputation than with defending the Republic from real danger.'

How far do you agree? Give the reasons for your views.

You might include discussion of

- the danger Verres posed, Cicero's motives in taking on this case and the way he dealt with it
- the threat posed by Catiline, and Cicero's motives and methods in opposing him
- the ambitions of Antony, the reasons why Cicero opposed him and the actions Cicero took.

(30 marks)

END OF QUESTIONS

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