

ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE
CLASSICS: CLASSICAL CIVILISATION

Archaeology: Mycenae and the classical world

F381

Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

- 16 page answer booklet
(sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None

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Afternoon

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- In this paper you are encouraged to use diagrams, sketches etc., where appropriate, to illustrate your answers.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- This document consists of **8** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** from Section B.

Section A: Commentary questions

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

Marks are awarded in parts (b) and (c) of Questions 1 and 2 for the quality of written communication in your answer.

1 Study the photograph and answer the questions.



(a) The photograph shows an artefact that was found in a room known as the 'Temple' at Mycenae.

What was found in this room and why have archaeologists named it the 'Temple'?

Your answer should include details of:

- the layout of the room;
- this and other artefacts.

[10]

- (b) How useful can artefacts from Classical periods be in teaching us about the daily life of ordinary people?

In your answer you should include discussion of **both** the Mycenaeans **and** any other Classical society that you have studied. You should discuss **at least two** artefacts. [20]

- (c) How successfully can we use graves and tombs to show us how ancient civilisations respected the dead?

In your answer you should include discussion of **both** the Mycenaeans **and one** other Classical society that you have studied. [25]

Do **not** answer this question if you have already answered Question 1.

Marks are awarded in parts (b) and (c) of Questions 1 and 2 for the quality of written communication in your answer.

2 Study the photograph and answer the questions.



(a) The photograph shows a Mycenaean dagger, with a mirror reflecting its lower surface.

What other small metal objects have been found from the Mycenaean period?
Describe how the Mycenaeans made objects such as these.

[10]

(b) It is likely that such a dagger would have been used by a wealthy person. How successfully, however, can we learn about the life of the poor in an ancient society?

In your answer you should include discussion of **both** Mycenaean archaeology and **at least one other** period of Classical study.

[20]

(c) How successfully can we use archaeology to understand the ways in which an ancient society fought in war?

In your answer you should include discussion of **both** Mycenaean archaeology and the archaeology of **at least one other** period of Classical study.

[25]

[Section A Total: 55]

Section B: Essays

Answer **one** question.

Start your answer on a new page.

Marks are awarded for the quality of written communication in your answer.

- 3** 'Archaeology is nothing more than the destruction of an historical site.' How far do you agree with this statement?

In your answer, you should:

- include discussion of different methods of excavating;
- discuss what we can learn about a site without excavating;
- refer to **at least two** Classical sites where excavation has been carried out. **[45]**

- 4** How successfully can archaeologists tell the date of manufacture of an object?

In your answer, you should:

- include discussion of scientific and more traditional methods of dating;
- discuss different dating techniques that have been used at Classical sites;
- refer to evidence from the Classical sites you have studied. **[45]**

- 5** 'You can't be a good archaeologist without being good at paperwork.'

In your answer, you should:

- consider different types of paperwork and site records;
- include an analysis of the usefulness of paperwork and recording for an archaeologist;
- refer to evidence from **at least two** of the Classical sites you have studied. **[45]**

[Section B Total: 45]

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