

Paper Reference(s)

9278/01

London Examinations GCE

Ancient History (Greece)

Advanced Level

Paper 1

Greek History – Outlines 478 to 323 BC

Thursday 22 May 2008 – Afternoon

Time: 3 hours

Materials required for examination

Answer book (AB16)

Items included with question papers

Nil

Instructions to Candidates

In the boxes on the answer book, write the name of the examining body (London Examinations), your centre number, candidate number, the subject title (Ancient History (Greece)), the paper reference (9278/01), your surname, other names and signature.

Answer ANY FOUR questions.

Answer the questions in the answer book.

Additional answer sheets may be used.

Information for Candidates

The total mark for this paper is 100.

This paper has 14 questions. Page 4 is blank.

All questions have equal marks.

Advice to Candidates

Write your answers neatly and in good English.

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Answer any FOUR questions.

Each question carries 25 marks.

1. How far do you think the Athenians abused the trust of the other members of the Delian League? Answer with reference to the period to the Peace of Callias.
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2. 'Athens tried to do far too much in the ten years following 460 BC.' Consider this opinion.
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3. 'The more democratic Athens became the more it remained under the control of one man.' Give an account of Pericles' career in the light of this statement. What opposition did Pericles meet?
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4. Assess the role of Corinth in Greek history 478–404 BC.
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5. Discuss the achievement of Brasidas. Why do you think he was unable to achieve an outright Spartan victory?
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6. Nicias is a much criticised figure. In the light of his achievements and failures, how far do you think such criticism is justified?
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7. The Spartans were an inward-looking land-based power. The Athenians were an outward-looking sea-based power. In the light of this, how would you explain the eventual result of the Peloponnesian War?
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8. Sketch the career and significance of Lysander.
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9. What factors led to the victors at Aegospotami becoming the vanquished at Leuctra?
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10. With specific examples, assess the strengths and weaknesses of the Athenian democracy in the 4th century BC.
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11. Why was Demosthenes so passionately opposed to Philip of Macedon? Do you think his opposition was justified?
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12. To what extent was Alexander's conquest of the Persian Empire more the result of Persian weaknesses than Greek strengths?
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13. Either

- (a) What were the powers of the Spartan kings? What limitations were placed on their powers? Refer to particular Spartan kings in your answer.

Or

- (b) How far was the Athenian citizen able to participate in the government of Athens?
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14. Either

- (a) To what extent did the geography of Greece influence the course of Greek history?

Or

- (b) What was the role of the sea and sea power in the history of the Greeks?
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TOTAL FOR PAPER: 100 MARKS

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