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F191 Translation; comprehension and literature

		SECTION A		
Question Number		Answers		Max Mark
1 (a) <i>(i)</i>	Translate from וַיְהִי הַיּוֹם Do not translate the word	(line 1) to אַד אָת נַפְשׁוֹ שְׁמֹר: (line 1). ds on line 6.	ine 8).	
	Hebrew	English	reject	
	וַיְהִי הַיּוֹם וַיָּבֹאוּ בְּנֵי הָאֱלֹהִים לְהָתְיַצֵּב עַל יי	It once happened / One day the sons of G-d / the angels of G-d came to position themselves against the L-rd.		
	וַיָּבוֹא גַם הַשָּׂטָן בְּתֹכָם לְהָתְיַצֵב עַל יי:	and the Opposer (Satan) came with them to position himself against the L-rd.		
	וַיאמֶר יי אֶל הַשְּׂטָן אֵי מָזֶה תָּבֹא	G-d said to the Opposer, "From where have you come?"		
	וַיַּעַן הַשָּּטָן אֶת יי וַיֹּאמֵר מִשֵּׁט בָּאָרֶץ וּמֵהִתְהַלֵּף בָּה:	The Opposer answered G-d, saying, "From roving the earth, and travelling throughout it."		
	וַיאמֶר יי אֶל הַשְּׂטָן הַשִּׁמְתָּ לִבְּדִּ אֶל עַבְּדִּי אָיִב	G-d said to the Opposer, "Have you paid attention to My servant Job / Iyov		
	פִּי אֵין כָּמהוּ בָּאָרֶץ אִישׁ תָּם וְיָשָׁר יֵרֵא אֱ-לֹהִים	for there is none like him on earth — an honest, upright person who fears G-d		
	וְסָר מֵרָע וְעֹדֶנוּ מַחֲזִיק בְּתַמָּתוֹ	who shuns evil and still retains his integrity —		
	וַהְסִיתֵנִי בוֹ לְבַלְּעוֹ חִנָּם:	Yet you have incited Me against him to destroy him without cause."		
	וַיַּעֵן הַשָּׁטָן אֶת יי וַיֹּאמֵר אוּלָם שְׁלַח נָא יָדְדְּ וְגַע אֶל עַצְמוֹ וְאֶל בְּשָׁרוֹ אָם לא אָל פָּנִידּ יְבָרְכָדָ:	The Opposer answered G-d, saying: But if You would stretch Your hand now against him and touch his bone and his flesh; would he not curse you to Your face?"		
	וַיאמֶר יי אֶל הַשְּׂטָן הָנּוֹ בְיָדָךְ אַךְּ אָת נַפְשׁוֹ שְׁמֹר:	Then G-d said to the Opposer, "Indeed / Very well! he is in your hand — but you must take care of his life!"		
	Award up to 2 marks po according to the grid o			
			[more	

1 (a) <i>(i)</i> [cont'd]	Marks	Transfer of meaning from Biblical Hebrew to English.	Max Mark
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		nsfer of meaning is accurate but contains ant spelling and/or grammar errors.	
		ard 0 or 1 mark, depending on level of ccuracy of English.	
	1 — 2 marks po	er phrase, up to a maximum of 20 marks.	[20]
1 (a) <i>(ii)</i>	Explain the mea	aning of the verb ברך (lines 7 and 11) f this passage.	
	Amongst other	rs:	
		b normally means 'to bless' but is used iistically here to mean 'curse.'	
	• It is an e	example of a privative <i>piel</i> .	
	1 mark for any	of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
1 (b)	What does Job Mention any tw	/ Iyov do to relieve his suffering? (lines 9-10). vo points.	
	• Scrapes	himself with a potsherd to relieve the sores.	
	Sits amo	ongst ashes.	
	1 mark for any	of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
1 (c)	[on next page	J	

1 (c)	How does the wife of Job / Iyov react to his sufferings? (lines 10 — 11).	Max. Mark
	Mention any two points.	
	She asks him why he holds fast to his integrity.	
	She tells him to curse G-d and die.	
	If he does this he would be relieved of his sufferings.	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
1 (d)	בְּכָל זֹאת לֹא חָטָא אִיֹב בִּשְׂפָּתִיו (line 12). How does this phrase help the reader to understand the character of Job / Iyov?	
	Mention any three points.	
	Amongst others:	
	He holds steadfast to the will of G-d.	
	Job is a full of piety.	
	 Narrative irony – Job / Iyov does not curse G-d despite his suffering and yet his wife is quick to tell him to do this, Job / Iyov states that she speaks like 'one of the foolish women speak' 	
	Job's reaction to the suffering is an unvoiced act.	
	 Job does not utter a word of acceptance or non- acceptance at his plight. Instead, he quietly assumes the attitude of acceptance. 	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 3 marks.	[3]
1 (e)	Account for the <i>Kametz</i> under the letter ט in the verb אטח. (line 12).	
	Amongst others:	
	• The third letter of the root, ℵ, indicates a weak verbal stem	
	• and therefore attracts a preceding <i>Kametz</i> (_,)	
	• and not the normal Patach (_)	
	Any point 1 mark, maximum 1 mark	[1]
1 (f) (i)	What is the conjugation <i>(binyan)</i> of the verb וַיַּיָּטָדוּ? <i>(line 14)</i> **Niphal	
	1 mark for the correct conjugation.	[1]
1 (f) (ii)	Why is this conjugation used? Indicates reciprocal / inter-active action	[1]
•	·	•

1 (g)	The words in line 6 are difficult to translate. What idea do you think they convey?	Max. Mark
	Amongst others:	
	Whilst a person has his health / his skin he will make an effort.	
	 A man may be tempted to give up his beliefs to save his life. 	
	1 mark for each of the above.	[2]
1 (h)	Give any two distinct ways in which the friends of Job / Iyov react to his situation. (lines 14-17)	
	 Nod in sympathy in order to comfort him. 	
	Raise their voices and cried.	
	Tear their clothing.	
	Throw dust on their heads.	
	Sit with him for seven days and nights.	
	Remain silent as they recognised his anxiety.	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
1 (i)	Give any two examples of parallelisms in these passages. Amongst others:	
	בּהְרָהַלֵּךְ בָּהְ From roving the earth, and travelling throughout it. / From going to and fro on the earth and walking up and down on it <i>(line 3)</i>	
	קְּלַח נָא יְדְדְּ react against (him) <i>(line 7)</i> and יְגַע אֶל עַצְמוֹ damage his body / harm him <i>(line 7)</i>	
	מְבַּף רַגְלוֹ וְעֵד קְדְקֵּדוֹ from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head <i>(line 9)</i>	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
1 (j)	Show how the attitude of Job / Iyov in Paragraph 2 is different from his attitude in Paragraph 1.	
	Amongst others:	
	In Paragraph 1 he is stoic and accepts his discomfort.	
	In Paragraph 1 he rebukes his wife for her negative attitude.	
	 In Paragraph 2 Job / Iyov is seen to curse the day he was born. 	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
	[Total marks for Question 1:	40]

	SECTION B				
Question Number	Ancwore				
2 (a)	Who are the parents of the man mentioned in line 1?				
	Mother — Israelite.				
	• Father — Egyptian.				
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]			
2 (b)	Explain the use of the <i>niphal</i> conjugation (<i>binyan</i>) in the word וַיִּגְּעוּ . (line 2).				
	Indicates reflexive / reciprocal / interactive action.				
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 1 mark.	[1]			
2 (c)	What is meant by the word 'הַשֵּׁם '? (line 3)				
	Amongst others:				
	Literal translation: "the Name,"				
	used to indicate the Divine Name / the Tetragrammaton.	[1]			
2 (d) <i>(i)</i>	What role do the witnesses play in lines 6 -7?				
	Amongst others:				
	They lay their hands upon his head.They partake in stoning the blasphemer.				
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]			
2 (d) <i>(ii)</i>	Give one reason for this role?				
	Amongst others:				
	Hearing the words of the blasphemy makes them witnesses to the transgression and therefore they become obligated to take the proper course leading to the offender's punishment.				
	 Laying on of hands is a declaration that this person is the guilty party and that the hearers do not incur any guilt in the taking of his life but that his blood is on his own head. 				
	To ensure the truth of their testimony — witnesses would dare to act as executioners only if they were absolutely certain of their facts.				
	 This ultimate sanction is to prevent serious violation of the misuse of G-d's Name. (Utilitarian purpose) 				
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 1 mark.	[1]			

2 (e)	Explain the construction of the Give any two points.	he phrase מות יוּמָת. (line 8)		Max. Mark
	Amongst others:	fallowed by befol		
	Infinitive Absolute fine Imperfect (3 rd personal p	on masculine singular) .		
	Emphatic construct	tion suggesting emphasis.		
	The phrase translat (surely) (= definitel)	es as, 'Dying — you shall y) be put to death.'		
	Kal — Infinitive Abs indicates legal cens	solute plus passive verb sure. (Ibn Ezra)		
	1 mark for any of the abov	e up to a maximum of 2 mar	ks.	[2]
2 (f) (i)	ד נָפָשׁ בְּהַמָּה Translate from הּ נָפָשׁ בְּהַמָּה to : אָבי יי אֶ-לֹהֵיכָם (line 15)			
	Hebrew	English	reject	
	וּמַבֵּה נָפֶשׁ בְּהַמָּה יְשִׁלְּמָנָּה נָפֶשׁ תַּחַת נָפֶשׁ: וְאִישׁ כִּי יִתֵּן מוּם בִּעָמִיתוֹ בַּאֲשָׁר עָשָׂה בֵּן יֵעָשָׂה לוֹ:	l		
	שָׁבֶר תַּחַת שֶׁבֶר עַיִּנְען בּוֹ : מֵיִן שֵׁן תַּחַת שֵׁן כַּאֲשֶׁר יִתֵּן מוּם בָּאָדָם בֵּן יִנָּתֶן בּוֹ	Fracture for fracture, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, just as he has disfigured a man so shall he be disfigured.		
	וּמַבּה בְהַמָּה יְשַׁלְּמֶנָּה וּמַבֵּה אָדְם יוּמָת: מִשְׁפַּט אָחָד יִהְיָה לְכָם כַּגַּר בָּאָזְרַח יִהְיָה כִּי אֲנִי יי אֱ-לֹהֵיכָם:	He who strikes a beast (dead) shall pay for it but he who strikes (and kills) a man shall be put to death. This applies to both / You shall have the same law for the foreigner / alien and for the native-born, for I am the L-rd your G-d / the L-rd, the G-d of you all.		
	Award up to 2 marks per baccording to the grid on the			
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		nsfer of meaning is accurate but contains ant spelling and/or grammar errors.	
		ard 0 or 1 mark, depending on level of curacy of English.	[6]
	1 — 2 mark	s per phrase up to a maximum of 6 marks.	[0]
2 (f) (ii)	What is the root and conjugation <i>(binyan)</i> of the word יָשִׁילְּמָנָּה ? <i>(line 11)</i>		
	שלם •		
	• Piel 1 mark for eacl	n of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
2 (g)	[on next page]	

2 (g)	בּגֵּר בָּאָזְרַח (lines 9 and 14) — How is equality seen in this passage? Mention any two points.	Max. Marks
	Amongst others:	
	There is one standard law for both the foreigner and the native-born citizen.	
	 Everyone is the same — all are to follow, and are accountable to, the laws of G-d whether it be blasphemy or the murder of a fellow human or damage to another's property or person. 	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
2 (h)	The phrase נָפֶשׁ תַּחַת נְפֶשׁ (line 11) can easily be misunderstood. Translate the phrase and explain why you have translated it as you have.	
	Amongst others:	
	 Literally, the phrase translates as 'soul / life / breath instead of soul / life / breath.' 	
	• ບໍ່ອຸ້ງ can be translated in many different ways: soul, life, breath, living being, self, creature. This can add to the difficulties in translation and misunderstandings.	
	All life, animal and human, owes it origins to G-d.	
	• שְׁשָׁתְּחַתְּ עֶּשֶׁ is an idiom and in the context of this verse means monetary compensation. This can be seen from the fact that the text speaks of the killing (or serious injury) of an animal in contrast to the punishment for killing a person which is spoken of immediately before this phrase.	
	Award 1 mark for a near correct translation of the phrase	
	and	
	Award 2 marks for supporting argument and exegesis.	
	1 mark for each point of supporting argument up to a maximum of 3 marks.	[3]
2 (i)	Discuss the view that dates and times are an essential part of the legislation in Leviticus / Vayikra chapters 24 — 27.	
	Comment on any eight points.	
	Amongst others:	
	Instruction to keep Sabbath to G-d. (25 : 1).	
	 Jubilee law regarding crop rotation and land rest. (25 : 3 — 7). 	
	Hallow the fiftieth year, the Jubilee Year. (25 : 10). [more]	
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2 (i)	Return of property in Jubilee year (25 : 13)	Max. Marks
[cont'd]	Since G-d proclaims, "Mine is the land" and that possession of land is only as leasehold. (25 : 23)	WarkS
	 therefore the price of land is dependent on the years left to the next Jubilee Year. (25 : 14 — 17) 	
	 Legal ownership of slaves and real estate is vested in G-d. ("Eternal time") (25: 55) 	
	 Hebrew slaves can be released by the payment of the premium which is dependent on the number of years remaining to the next Jubilee Year. (25: 50 — 51) 	
	 Vows and tithes connected with age and gender of person. (27 : 1 — 8) 	
	 Valuation of dedicated land is calculated according to the number of years remaining till the next Jubilee Year. (26: 17 — 18) 	
	The starting point of the seven-year cycle of years is the first year after each seventh year when the land is to lie fallow. (25 : 21)	
	This seventh year is called "the Shmittah Year." (25 : 21)	
	Award 1 mark for each point up to a maximum of 8 marks.	
	Candidates are expected to expand each point fully to gain the full mark.	[8]
	[Total marks for Question 2:	30]
3 (a)	Where does David settle? (line 1)	
	The stronghold / fortress.	
	• En-gedi.	
	1 mark for either of the above.	[1]
3 (b) <i>(i)</i>	[on next page]	

3 (b) <i>(i)</i>	Translate from: to : אֲשֶׁר לְשָׁאוּל	•	וַיָּבֹא אֶל גִּדְר (line 4)		Max. Marks
	Hebrew		English	reject	
	ֹגִּדְרוֹת הַצֹּאן זּ וְשָׁם מְעָרה אַל לְהָסֵךּ אֶת ד וַאָנָשִּׁיו הַמְּעָרה ישְׁבִים:	על הַדֶּרָן וַיָּבֹא שָׁא רַגְלָיו וְדַוֹ	He came to the sheepfolds on the road, where there was a cave. Saul / Sha'ul went in to relieve himself and David and his men were sitting in the back part / innermost part of the cave.		
	אָנְשֵׁי דָוִד אֵלְיו זּ אֲשֶׁר אָמַר יי ה אָנֹכִי נֹתֵן אֶת זֶדְךְּ וְעָשִׁיתִ לּוֹ זַב בְּצֵינָיךְ	הְנֵּה הָיּוֹכ אֵלֶיף הָנֵּ אִיְבְךְּ בְּ	David's men said to him, "This is the day about which G-d said to you, 'I am giving your enemy into your hand. Do to him whatever seems right in your eyes."		
	ַ וַיִּכְרוֹת אֶת כְּנֵף אֲשֶׁר לְשָׁאוּל אֹתוֹ עֵל אֲשֶׁר בְּנָף אֲשֶׁר	הַפְּאָיל בַּלְּט: וַיְה לֵב דְּוִד	Then David rose and stealthily cut off the hem / the corner of the robe of Saul / Sha'ul. But after this, David's conscience troubled him because he had cut off the hem / the corner of the robe of Saul / Sha'ul.		
	Award up to 2 according to the				
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3 (b) <i>(i)</i> [cont'd]	Accurate transfer of meaning. Faultless or virtually faultless grammar, punctuation and spelling in English. Max Mark				
	Exceptional responses and marks to award: Candidates may answer in faultless English but may not transfer meaning accurately.				
		nsfer of meaning is accurate but contains ant spelling and/or grammar errors.			
		ard 0 or 1 mark, depending on level of ecuracy of English.			
	1 — 2 marks p	er phrase, up to a maximum of 6 marks.	[6]		
3 (b) <i>(ii)</i>		l about the construction of נאָנְשִּׁיו בְּיֵרְכְּתֵי הַמְּעָרָה ישְׁנִ ? (line 5)			
	Shows a re	versal of participle and place adjunct.			
	1 mark for a	any of the above, up to a maximum of 1 mark.	[1]		
3 (c)	Discuss the me	נְיְשִׁפַּע דְּוִד אָ(line 10). aning of the verb נְישָׁפַע in the context of this on any two points.			
	Amongst o	thers:			
	it indica	שסע is used in Judges / Shoftim 13 : 6 where ites tearing an animal and in Leviticus / Vayikra here it indicates a split. (1)			
	way and ironical	ontext of our verse, it is used in an idiomatic d has the sense of 'to tear' 'to chide' — ly, as David 'tears' Saul's cloak now, with these ne 'tears' his men from acting violently.			
	1 mark for any	of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]		
3 (d) <i>(i)</i>	What is unusua Amongst other	l about the phrase וַיִּקְרָא אָחֲרֵי שָׁאוּל ? <i>(line 12)</i> rs:			
		preposition , על , ל always governs its indirect object			
		e here as it is constructed with אחרי . amuel / Shmuel, 20 : 37 — 38)			
	1 mark for any	of the above, up to a maximum of 1 mark.	[1]		
3 (d) <i>(ii)</i>	[on next page	1			

3 (d) <i>(ii)</i>	Comment on the other two uses of the preposition אָּחָבֵיי in lines 8 and 12.	Max. Marks
	• The word is used as a temporal phrase: "after that" (lines 8 and 11)	
	• The word אַהַע combined with the suffix ' (3 rd person masculine singular) giving the meaning "behind him" (lines 11 and 12)	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]
3 (e)	How is the verb אמר used in two different ways in line 15?	
	Qal Perfect (3 rd person masculine singular)	
	 Qal Imperfect (↑ consecutive 1st person common singular). 	
	1 mark for each of the above.	[2]
3 (f)	What different strategies does David use to show his innocence? (lines 12 — 22) Mention any three points.	
	Amongst others:	
	 Refers to Saul / Sha'ul as 'My Lord, the King.' 	
	 David is seen to bow and prostrate himself before Saul / Sha'ul. 	
	Calls Saul / Sha'ul 'the L-rd's anointed.'	
	Refers to Saul / Sha'ul as 'my father.'	
	 David cut only the hem of the garment of Saul / Sha'ul and he did not kill him despite the opportunity to do so. 	
	He confidently asks G-d to judge between them.	
	1 mark for each of the above, up to a maximum of 3 marks.	[3]
3 (g)	[on next page]	

3 (g)	Explain the form of the noun דָּקַ. (line 21)	Max.
(3)	"	Marks
	• Professional class. Compare אַיָּר (huntsman, hunter) and סָבְּל (bearer, porter)	
	 Short vowel followed by long vowel invites the placement of a dagesh. 	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 1 mark.	[1]
3 (h)	Show how poetic language is used in this passage. Explain any three examples.	
	This is a prose passage which has phrases of a poetic nature, amongst many others:	
	• "your eyes have seen" (line 14)	
	 "I will not put forth my hand against my lord for he is the L-rd's anointed" (lines 15 and 16) 	
	"see the hem of your robe that I cut off the corner of your robe" (lines 16 and 17)	
	"Out of the wicked comes wickedness" (lines 19 and 20)	
	 "After whom has the king of Israel come out? Whom do you pursue" (poetic parallelism) (line 20) 	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 3 marks.	[3]
3 (i)	Discuss possible causes of the misunderstanding between King Saul / Sha'ul and David in I Samuel 20 — 25. Comment on any eight points.	
	Amongst others:	
	David had been secretly anointed by Samuel / Shmuel (16 : 13) and Saul / Sha'ul saw David as a contender to the throne.	
	 Saul / Sha'ul raged against David when he absented himself from the New Month celebrations. (20: 30) 	
	 Saul / Sha'ul accused Jonathan / Yonatan of being manipulated by David: "Do you not know that you are choosing the son of Jesse / Yishai to your own shame?" (20: 30) 	
	 Saul / Sha'ul saw David as usurping his royal power when David attacked the Philistines at Ke'ilah as war was considered as the royal prerogative (23:1—4) 	
	especially as David was accompanied by Abiathar / Evyatar the priest who brought with him the priestly vestment (23 : 9)	
	 David was viewed as a rebel leader: he had three thousand followers "in the rocks of the wild goats" (24 : 2) and was therefore seen as a threat to the throne. 	
	[more	

3 (i) [cont'd]	David was able to penetrate the defences of Saul / Sha'ul and he managed to damage his robe in a covert operation (24 : 3 — 9)	Max. Marks
	 Saul / Sha'ul suspected David of plotting against him. He falsely accused Ahimelech / Achimelech the Chief Priest of Nob / Nov of being in league with David as Ahimelech / Achimelech, who had accompanied Saul / Sha'ul in his wars against the Philistines, had now aided David with food and weapons. (21:9-11 22:13-19) 	
	People of Achish call David 'king of the land.'	
	Saul's / Sha'ul's speech betrays his failure / fear. He calls Jonathan a son of a rebellious woman, and he derides David three times as "the son of Jesse" (as if he cannot bring himself to utter his name).	
	When Saul / Sha'ul observed that men (some of his own relatives) were defecting to David, he blamed David, rather than considering that his own actions were the cause of men parting ways with him.	
	Award 1 mark for each point up to a maximum of 8 marks.	
	Candidates are expected to expand each point fully to gain the full mark.	[8]
	[Total marks for Question 3:	30]
4 (a)	When does Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu receive his instruction? (<i>line 1 — 2</i>)	
	After King Zedekiah / Tzidkiyahu had made a covenant with the people of Jerusalem / Yerushalaim.	[1]
4 (b) <i>(i)</i>	[on next page]	

4 (b) <i>(i)</i>	Translate from יי אָמַר מּ	(line 7) to : לָעָבָדִים וְלִּשְׂפָחוֹת	(line 14)	Max. Marks
	Hebrew	English	reject	
	פּה אָמַר יי אֶ-להֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אָנֹכִי פָּרִתִּי בְּרִית אֶת אָנֹתִי כָּם בְּיוֹם הוֹצִאִי מִבֵּית עֲבָדִים לֵאמֹר: מִקֵּץ שָׁבַע שָׁנִים תְּשַׁלְּחוּ אִישׁ שָׁנִים וְשִׁלְּחוּ הָעָבְרִי אַשֶּׁר יִפְּבַר לְךְּ וַעֲבְדְךְּ מֵעִמָּהְ	Thus says the L-rd, the G-d of Israel: I made a covenant with your fathers when I brought them out of the land of Egypt, from the house of slaves, saying: 'At the beginning of the seven-year span you shall set free, each one, his Hebrew brother who has been sold to you and served you six years: you shall set him free from you.'		
	וְלֹא שָׁמְעוּ אֲבוֹתֵיכֶם אֵלֵי וְלֹא הָטּוּ אֶת אָוְנֶם: וַתְּשָׁבוּ אַתֶּם הַיּוֹם וַתִּעְשוּּ אֶת הַיָּשָׁר בְּעֵינֵי לִקְרֹא דְרוֹר אִישׁ לְרֵעֵהוּ וַתִּכְרְתוּ בְרִית לְפָנִי בַּבִּיִת אֲשֶׁר נִקְרַא שְׁמִי עָלְיו:	But your ancestors did not obey Me, they did not incline their ear. But today you repented and did what I consider just by proclaiming release from bondage, each one his neighbor. You made a covenant before Me in the house over which My Name is proclaimed.		
	וַתְּשָׁבוּ וַתְּחַלְּלוּ אֶת שְׁמִי וַתְּשָׁבוּ אִישׁ אֶת עַבְדּוֹ וְאִישׁ אֶת שִׁפְחַתוֹ אֲשֶׁר שִׁלַּחְתֶּם חְפְשִׁים לְנַפְשָׁם וַתְּבְבְּשׁוּ אֹתָם לִהְיוֹת לְכֶם לִעֲבָדִים וְלִשְׁפְּחוֹת:	But then you retracted and defiled My Name, and you took back, each one, his male and female slave whom you had set free according to their desire, and you subjugated them to be your male and female slaves.		

4 (b) (i) [cont'd]	•	[more] marks per block of text ne following grid:	Max. Marks		
	Marks	Transfer of meaning from Biblical Hebrew to English.			
	0	Very limited transfer of meaning. A substantial number of elements misunderstood or missing. Significant error in grammar, punctuation and spelling in English.			
	1	Inconsistent transfer of meaning. Mostly accurate but there are errors and/or missed details. There are instances of error in grammar, punctuation and spelling in English.			
	2	Accurate transfer of meaning. Faultless or virtually faultless grammar, punctuation and spelling in English.			
	-	sponses and marks to award:			
		meaning accurately.			
	leve	ard either 0 or 1 mark depending on the el of inaccuracy in meaning.			
	 The transfer of meaning is accurate but contains significant spelling and/or grammar errors. 				
		ard 0 or 1 mark, depending on level of ecuracy of English.	[6]		
	1 — 2 marks p	er phrase, up to a maximum of 6 marks.			
4 (b) <i>(ii)</i>	What is the fund	ction of the word לְבִלְתִּי ? (line 5)			
		to negate (1)			
	• the Infir	nitive Construct. (1)			
	1 mark for each				
		ust include reference to construct to gain the full 2 marks.	[2]		
	(If candidat award one	e merely translates as 'not' or 'in order not to' mark.)			
4 (c)	[on next page	I			

4 (c)	Why is the deliverance from Egypt mentioned in this context? Mention any two points.	Max. Mark				
	Amongst others:					
	To remind the people of the historical background to slavery.					
	 The general release proclaimed by King Zedekiah / Tzidkiyahu, in which all Hebrew slaves went free, corresponds to the Exodus. 					
	 When the people went against the release and took back their former slaves, they acted as bad as Pharaoh / Par'o. 					
	 The people and their slaves are 'brothers.' It is not right for any Hebrew / Judean to hold another in bondage. 					
	 Egypt is called "the house of slaves" frequently in accounts of the Exodus and reference to this term here is deliberate. 					
	Within the text, the law regarding debt slavery (from Exodus / Shemot, 21 and Deuteronomy / Devarim, 15) is alluded to with the implication to "remember that you were a slave in Egypt" through reference to Egypt and the house of bondage.					
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]				
4 (d)	Explain the function of the word הוֹצָאָי . (line 8)					
	Mention any two points.					
	Amongst others:					
	 Hifil Infinitive Construct, subjective suffix (1st person common singular) 					
	Verbal noun.					
	Expresses causative action with an active voice.					
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.	[2]				
4 (e) <i>(i)</i>	[on next page]					

4 (e) (i) Explain why the Judean is known as both יָהוּדִי and יְהוּדִי? (line 3)

Max. Mark

Amongst others:

- The term יְהִיּהִי / Yehudi / Judean is first used in the latter sections of Il Kings and throughout Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu and shows the predominance of the tribe of Judah / Yehuda after the exile of the tribes of the Northern Kingdom from the land of Israel, whereas the term יְלֶבְּי / Ivri / Hebrew is used when referring to the Israelite nation in the context of other nations. Thus in Exodus / Shemot, 2:11 and 13 and 5:3 the term יִלְבְּיִר / Ivri / Hebrew is predominant. In Genesis / Bereishit, 10:24 Eber / Ever is listed as a descendant of Shem son of Noah / No'ach from whom Abraham / Avraham is descended. It is thus an ancient term.
- יְּבְרֵי is usually translated as 'Hebrew.' Its origin is assumed to be from Eber / Ever, עָבֶר (Genesis / Bereishit 11: 14) the ancestor of Abraham / Avraham and thus the ancestor of the Hebrews (= "Ebru" or "Habiru"). Abraham / Avraham is called "Avraham the Hebrew (= Ibri / Ivri)" (Genesis / Bereishit, 14: 13, and see Rashi ad loc) also because the word עבר means "from over the other side (of the river [Euphrates])" which is where Abraham / Avraham originally came from.
- יְּבְרִי appears to be used when foreigners refer to the descendants of Abraham / Avraham (Genesis / Bereishit, 14: 13 and Rashi *ad loc*) as the people of G-d; the term יְבְרִי can be used interchangeably with 'Israelite.'
- The term עָבְרִי is used here to make a connection to the Exodus narrative and also to the well-known legislation concerning the Hebrew servitor (called עבד עברי) (see Exodus / Shemot, 21:2) and provides context for the covenant of slave release. (ibid)
- Joshua / Yehoshua 24 : 3 records that Abraham /
 Avraham came from עבר הנהר from "over the River [Euphrates]" and was therefore called 'עַבְרַי / Ivri.

1 mark for a summary of any of the above, up to a maximum of 2 marks.

[2]

4 (e) <i>(ii)</i>	Why are both these terms used in this context?	Max. Marks
	Amongst others:	Warks
	 By the sixth century BCE, the original meaning of lvri would have been subsumed in the later term, Yehudi / Judean. 	
	Here it is being used as a poetical parallel.	
	1 mark for each of the above.	[2]
4 (f)	How is the word יְרוֹר used in two different ways in lines 15 and 16?	
	Amongst others:	
	Word play — noun means 'release'.	
	 The people had failed to grant 'release' to their Hebrew slaves, and therefore G-d would not protect them but would 'release' them to the sword, famine and pestilence. 	
	1 mark for each of the above.	[2]
4 (g)	The phrase בֹּרֵת בְּרִית which means 'making an agreement' occurs repeatedly in these paragraphs (see for instance, lines 1 and 8). Using evidence from these paragraphs explain the origin of this phrase. Mention any three points.	
	Amongst others:	
	The phrase literally means 'to cut a covenant.'	
	The ceremony that accompanies the covenant making of line 18 is found elsewhere only in Genesis / Bereishit 15:7–21. (There the parties to the covenant pass between the animal pieces.)	
	The ceremony of making the covenant implied that the people who entered into the covenant accepted the threat of the curse, symbolised by the cut-up animal, that is, whoever violates the terms of the covenant will be killed like this animal — ironic use here. (See II Samuel / Shmuel, 11:7)	
	 In ancient times, covenants involved the slaughter of animals with a sharp knife — that is, 'to cut.' 	
	1 mark for any of the above, up to a maximum of 3 marks.	[3]

4 (h)	From the evidence contained in Chapters 31 — 35 of Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu, discuss how the prophet is restricted by internal and external circumstances. Comment on any eight points.	Max. Marks
	Amongst others:	
	Army of king Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon besieging Jerusalem. (34 : 1)	
	 Zedekiah's reign (597 — 587) was a time of turbulent political intrigue in Judah, with pro-Egyptian, pro- Babylonian, and pro-independence parties jockeying for position. 	
	The incarceration of Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu 'in the court of the guard' in the King's palace. (32 : 2)	
	Imprisoned / silenced for prophesising that the city would fall to the Babylonians. (32 : 3)	
	 Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu buys a field as witness to the fact that the impending exile is temporary. But this has no impact on the populace. (32:6 — 13) 	
	When Judah's leading citizens forcibly take back their slaves they thereby denied the authority of G-d's Law. Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu is therefore facing an audience that denies G-d's Covenant which legislates for freedom for all fellow citizens. Because of this, the Judean people in turn will be denied their national freedom. (34:17)	
	The behaviour of the people was negative towards G-d's will: " for the people of Israel and Judah have done only what is displeasing to Me since their youth" (32 : 30) e.g. they were involved in idolatrous religious practices. (30 : 34 — 35)	
	 Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu was seen as responsible for political antagonism when he prophesied that Zedekiah / Tzidkiyahu will be captured by the king of Babylon / Bavel (32 : 3) Zedekiah / Tzidkiyahu reacted by having Jeremiah / Yirmiyahu arrested and restricting his movements. (also 34 : 2 — 3) 	
	Award 1 mark for each point, up to a maximum of 8 marks.	
	Candidates are expected to expand each point fully to gain the full mark.	[8]
	[Total marks for Question 4:	30]

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