

A-level CLASSICAL CIVILISATION

Paper 4B Alexander

Tuesday 21 June 2016 Morning Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- an AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The **Paper Reference** is CIV4B.
- 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 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 75.
- 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 below and answer Questions **01** to **04** which follow.

The march from Babylon took twenty days, and the treasure which Alexander took over upon entering the city amounted to 50,000 talents of silver in addition to other valuables formerly in possession of the King; nor was this by any means all that Susa yielded, for there also fell into Alexander's hands all the treasures which Xerxes had brought there from Greece.

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Arrian, 'The Campaigns of Alexander', 3.16

- 0 1** After which battle do these events take place? **[1 mark]**
- 0 2** What happened to the King (line 3) after Alexander had defeated him in this battle? Make **four** points. **[4 marks]**
- 0 3** How important to Alexander was the acquisition of money and other treasure from his conquests? **[10 marks]**
- 0 4** To what extent was Alexander punishing the Persians for their invasion of Greece **and** to what extent was he pursuing his own aims in his conquest of Persia? Support your answer by referring to both Arrian and Plutarch. **[20 marks]**

or

Option B

Read the passage below and answer Questions **05** to **09** which follow.

As a sign of mourning he gave orders that the manes and tails of all horses should be shorn, demolished the battlements of all the neighbouring cities, crucified the unlucky physician and forbade the playing of flutes or any other kind of music for a long time until finally an oracle was announced from the temple of Ammon, commanding him to honour Hephaestion and sacrifice to him as a hero. 5
To lighten his sorrow he set off on a campaign, as if the tracking down and hunting of men might console him, and he subdued the tribe of the Cossaeans.

Plutarch, 'Alexander', 72

0 5 Where **and** in what year did Hephaestion die? **[2 marks]**

0 6 What, other than his fever, contributed to Hephaestion's death? **[2 marks]**

0 7 '...he subdued the tribe of the Cossaeans.' (line 7).
According to Plutarch, what did Alexander then do to the Cossaeans? **[1 mark]**

0 8 To what extent do Plutarch and Arrian treat Hephaestion's death **and** Alexander's reaction to it differently? **[10 marks]**

0 9 'Alexander was loyal to his friends only when it suited him.'
To what extent do you agree with this assessment of Alexander? Support your answer by referring to both Plutarch and Arrian. **[20 marks]**

Turn over for Section 2

Section 2

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

Either

Option C

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'Arrian gives a much more accurate assessment of Alexander's character and achievements than Plutarch does.'

To what extent do you agree with this statement? Support your answer by referring to **both** Arrian **and** Plutarch.

[40 marks]

or

Option D

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'Alexander was most successful in battle when he faced the greatest difficulties.'

How far do you agree with this assessment? Support your answer by referring to **both** Plutarch **and** Arrian.

[40 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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