

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Advanced Subsidiary GCE

CLASSICAL CIVILISATION (JACT)

2736

Greek Epic

Tuesday

7 JUNE 2005

Morning

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials:
Answer booklet

TIME 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- You must answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.
- Start your answer to each question on a new page.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- All questions are worth 50 marks in total including 5 marks for quality of written communication.

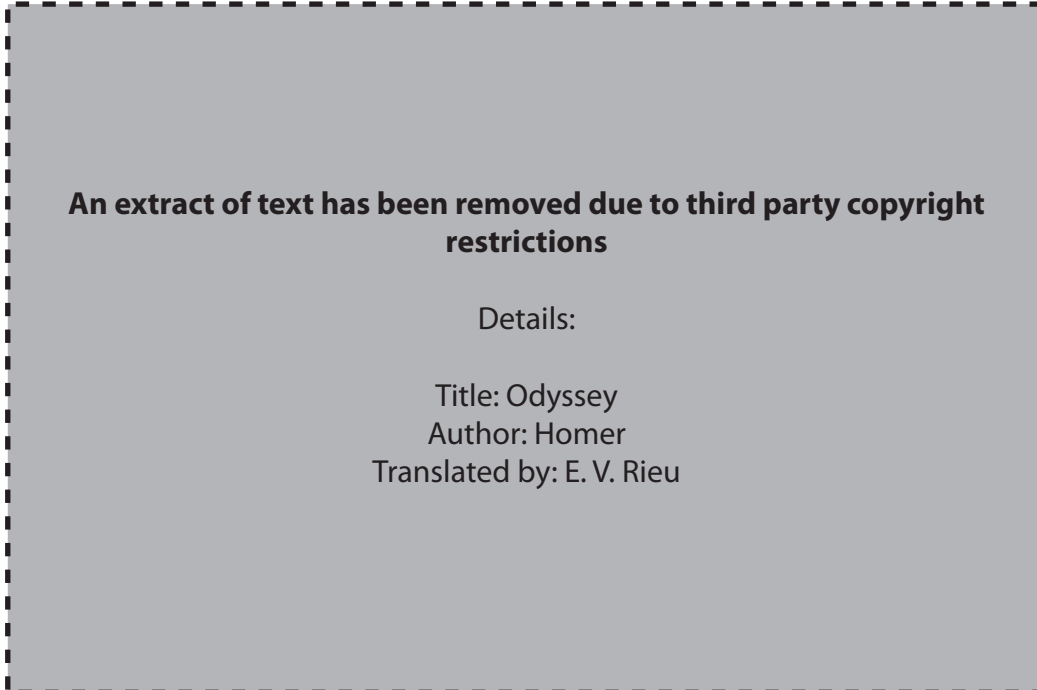
This question paper consists of 7 printed pages and 1 blank page.

Section A

Answer one question from this section.

A1 Read one of the following translations and answer the questions at the end.

Athene swept through like...



Details:

Title: Odyssey
 Author: Homer
 Translated by: E. V. Rieu

...spoken to the girl

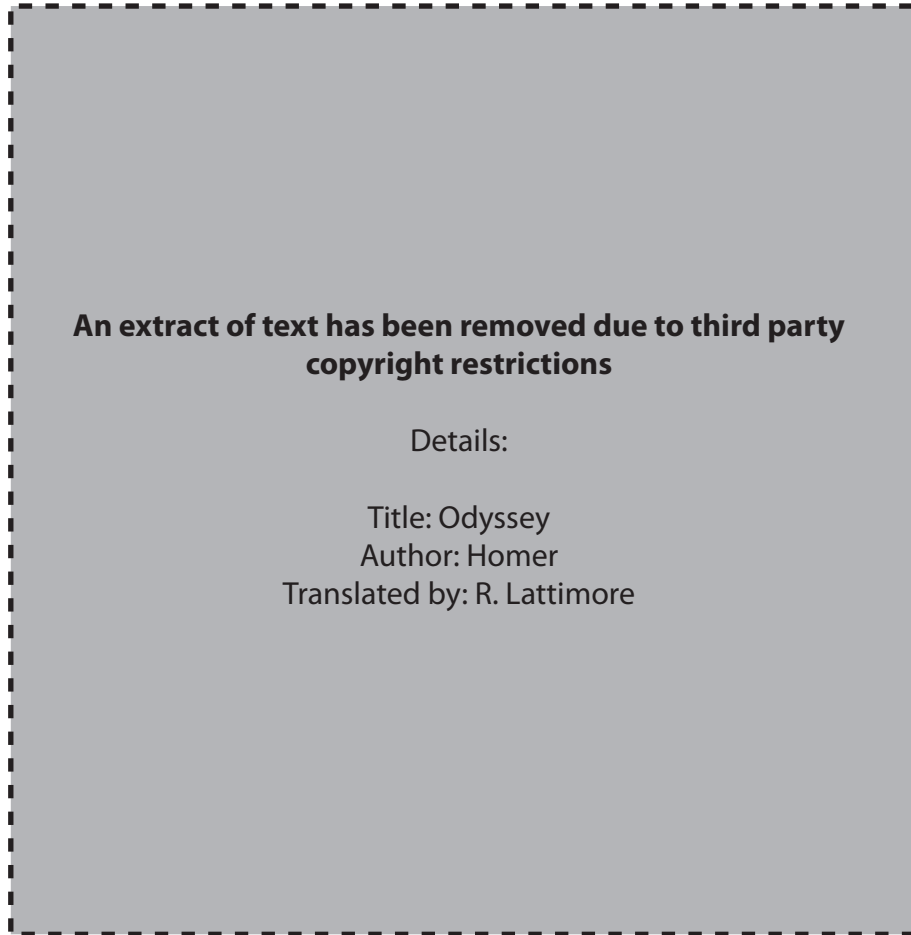
HOMER, *Odyssey* 6. 20-47 (E. V. Rieu; Penguin)

- (a) Where is Odysseus while Athene is talking to Nausicaa? Describe what has happened to him after leaving Calypso's island. [10]
- (b) How does Homer portray Athene in this passage? In your answer you should include discussion of how he shows that gods are not like people. [15]
- (c) How does Athene describe an ideal Phaeacian girl in this passage? How far does Nausicaa live up to this standard? In your answer you should explain how Nausicaa is portrayed here and elsewhere in the *Odyssey*. [20]

[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks]

[Total: 50 marks]

She drifted in like...



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...with the young girl

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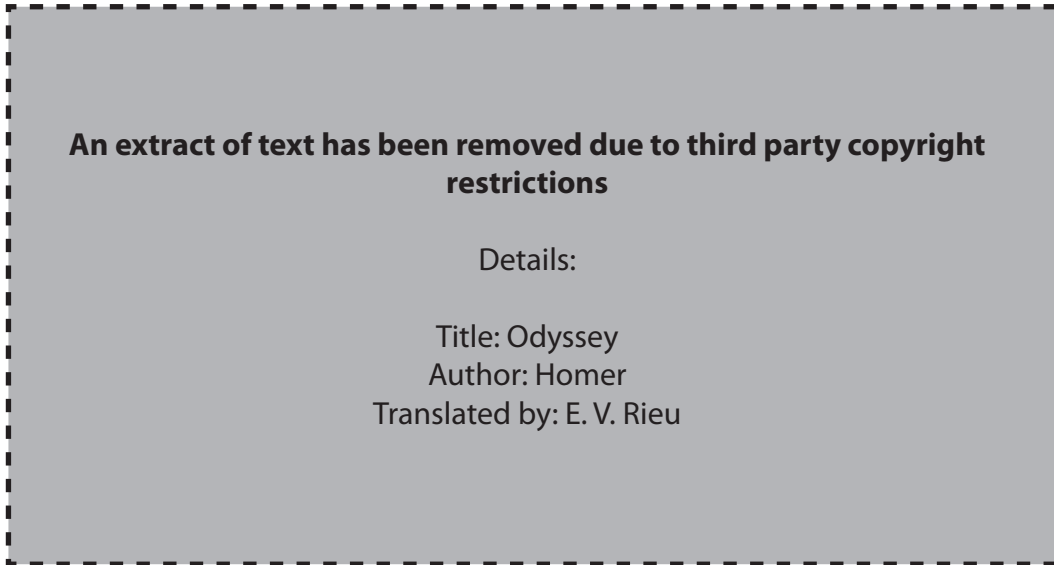
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[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks]

[Total: 50 marks]

A2 Read one of the following translations and answer the questions at the end.

As he spoke he...



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...plate-licker at the feast?’

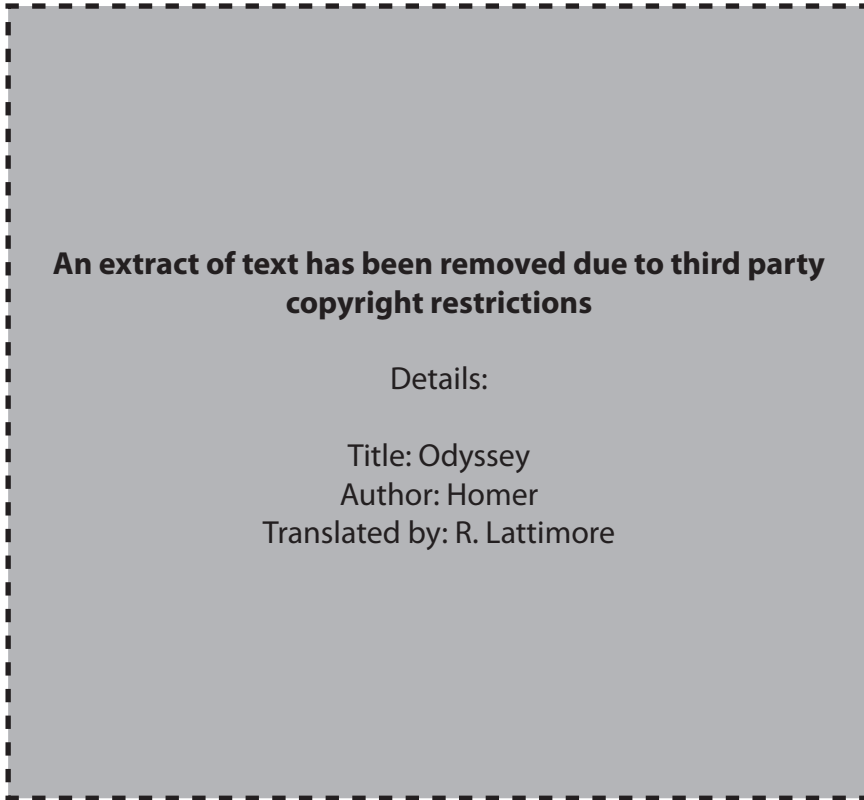
HOMER, *Odyssey* 17. 197-220 (E. V. Rieu; Penguin)

- (a) What has happened in Eumaeus’ hut since the arrival of Odysseus? [10]
- (b) How does Homer make this passage vivid? In your answer you should include discussion of the imagery and choice of words. [15]
- (c) How are Eumaeus and Melanthius portrayed in this passage? How far is this typical of the way they are portrayed elsewhere in the *Odyssey*? In your answer you should discuss both characters, giving examples of what they do and say. [20]

[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks]

[Total: 50 marks]

He spoke, and over...



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...fun of the feasting..'

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[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks]

[Total: 50 marks]

Section B

Answer **one** question from this section.

- B3** 'Odysseus is too selfish and deceitful to be a real hero.' How far do you agree with this view? In your answer you should include discussion of how far he is selfish and deceitful, and whether this behaviour is justified. [50]
- B4** Is Telemachus a worthy son for Odysseus? In your answer you should consider how Telemachus behaves in the *Odyssey*, and in what ways he is like his father. [50]

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