

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONSAdvanced Subsidiary GCECLASSICAL CIVILISATION (JACT)Greek HistoriansTuesday7 JUNE 2005Morning

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1 hour 30 minutes

TIME1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Additional materials: Answer booklet

- 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.

Section A

Answer one question from this section.

A1 Read the translation below and answer the questions at the end.

 Xerxes at first was...
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 Title: The Histories
Author: Herodotus
Translated by: A. de Selincourt
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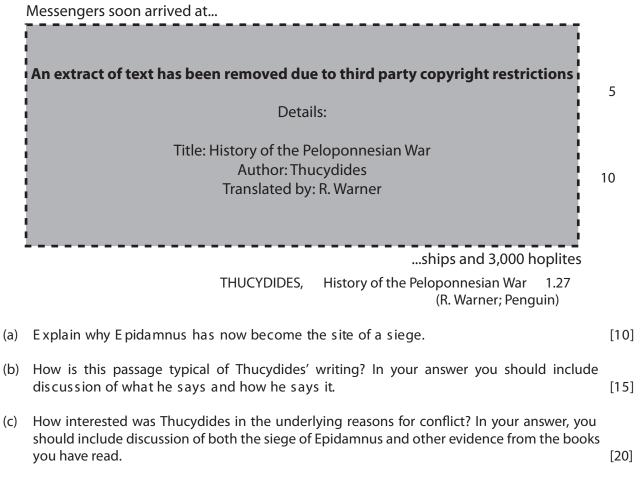
 ...except the Persian king

 HERODOTUS, The Histories 7.5 (A. de Sélincourt; Penguin)

- (a) Who are Xerxes (line 1) and Darius (line 3)? Briefly explain what has happened so far in Book 7.
- (b) What points does Mardonius make in this passage? Explain how his arguments are carefully planned to appeal to Xerxes. [15]
- (c) How does Herodotus use speeches in his work? In your answer, you should include discussion of both the speech in this passage and speeches elsewhere. [20]

[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks] [Total: 50 marks]

A2 Read the translation below and answer the questions at the end.



[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks] [Total: 50 marks]

Section B

Answer one question from this section.

- B3 'Thucydides was a wonderful military historian.' To what extent do you agree with this statement? In your answer, you should include discussion of at least one battle which he describes. [50]
- B4 Which of the two authors, Herodotus or Thucydides, is more interested in religion and the supernatural? In your answer, you should include discussion of omens and oracles. [50]

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