

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS Advanced Subsidiary GCE

CLASSICAL CIVILISATION (JACT)

2748

Roman Britain 1

Monday 16 MAY 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.
- In this paper you are encouraged to use sketches, diagrams etc., where appropriate, to illustrate your answers.

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Section A

Answer one question from this section.

A1 Read the following passage and answer the questions at the end.

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Title: The Conquest of Gaul Author: Caesar Translated by: S. Handford

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...for wintering in Britain

CAESAR, The Conquest of Gaul 4.29 (S. Handford; Penguin)

- (a) (i) In which year did this invasion take place?
 - (ii) What two reasons did Julius Caesar give for invading Britain?
 - (iii) Why did he have trouble landing his forces?
 - (iv) How did he overcome these difficulties?
 - (v) How did the British at first respond once the landing was completed?

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- (b) In this passage how is Julius Caesar shown to be unprepared? In what other ways was he unprepared for this invasion? In your answer you should include discussion of his preparations and what happened during this invasion. [15]
- (c) 'He came, he saw but he was not very good at conquering in Britain.' How far do you agree with this statement in relation to his second invasion? In your answer you should include discussion of the qualities Caesar showed as a general, what he achieved and the way he writes about himself.

[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks]

[Total: 50 marks]

A2 Study the following map and answer the questions at the end.



S. Hill & S. Ireland; Roman Britain (BCP)

- Identify tribes A-E on the map. (a) (i)
 - (ii) What does the map show?
 - (iii) What does the area with the horizontal shading



[10]

- (b) What picture does this map and Roman writers give us of Celtic society before the Romans invaded? In your answer you should include discussions of how the Celts were organised and how they lived their lives.
 - [15]

(c) To what extent has archaeology confirmed this picture? In your answer you should include discussion of the range of artefacts and sites discovered by archaeologists.

[Quality of Written Communication: 5 marks]

[Total: 50 marks]

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Section B

Answer one question from this section.

- How successful was Agricola as governor of Britain? In your answer you should include discussion of the reliability of Tacitus' text. [50]
- What made the Roman legion effective? In your answer you should include discussion of both literary and archaeological evidence. [50]

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