

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS Advanced GCE CLASSICAL CIVILISATION (JACT)

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Greek and Roman Epic

Monday

Afternoon

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials: 8 page 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.
- Total marks for paper: 100.

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Section A

Answer one question from this section.

A1 Choose one of the following translations from the Odyssey and one from the Aeneid and answer the questions at the end.

As Odysseus was turning...



HOMER, Odyssey 5.365-387 (R. Lattimore; Harper and Row)

#### PASSAGE 2

Now as soon as...

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...and I shall follow'

VIRGIL, Aeneid 4.90-115 (D. West; Penguin)

- (a) What is the situation as the passage from the *Odyssey* begins? [10]
- (b) How typical is Venus' behaviour in Passage 2 of the way she behaves in the rest of the *Aeneid*? [15]
- (c) Using these passages as a starting point, do you think the main deities of the *Odyssey* are more 'godlike' than those of the *Aeneid*? [20]

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

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A2 Choose one of the following translations from the Odyssey and one from the Aeneid and answer the questions at the end.

PASSAGE 1

This enraged Antinous still...

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... just and the unjust

HOMER, Odyssey 17.459-487 (E. V. Rieu; Penguin)

He spoke, and Antinoos...

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## PASSAGE 2

Turnus now gave himself...

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VIRGIL, Aeneid 10.480-506 (D. West; Penguin)

- (a) What is the situation as the passage from the *Aeneid* begins? [10]
- (b) How effectively does Homer make Passage 1 a vivid piece of narrative? [15]
- (c) Using these passages as a starting point, who do you think deserved their fate more, the Suitors or Turnus? [20]

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

### Section B

#### Answer **one** question from this section.

- **B3** 'In the *Odyssey* mortal women help Odysseus as much as Aeneas is hindered by them in the *Aeneid*'. How far do you agree with this statement? [50]
- **B4** Which epic places more emphasis on loyalty, the *Odyssey* or the *Aeneid*? In your answer you should include discussion of both poems. [50]
- **B5** Which epic do you think would make the better film, the *Odyssey* or the *Aeneid*? In your answer you should include discussion of both poems. [50]

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