

## NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: Head of Department - Classics  
Date: March 2011  
Subject: GCE Classics: Classical Civilisation – Unit F384

### CHANGE OF SET TEXTS

#### FOR FIRST EXAMINATION IN JUNE 2012

The texts listed below will be examined starting with the June 2012 session. Centres are expected to start teaching these new texts in September 2011 to candidates taking AS for the first time in June 2012. These details are also available on pages 21 and 22 of the GCE Classics specification.

From June 2012 to June 2014, inclusive, the AS set texts will be:

Aeschylus' *Agamemnon*  
Sophocles' *Ajax*  
Euripides' *Medea*  
Euripides' *Trojan Women*

Candidates may use any complete translation of the texts. Where a translation is printed on a question paper it will be taken from:

Aeschylus' *Agamemnon*, translated by R F Fagles (Penguin)  
Sophocles' *Ajax*, translated by E F Watling (Penguin)  
Euripides' *Medea*, translated by P Vellacott (Penguin)  
Euripides' *Trojan Women*, translated by J Davie (Penguin).

Extracts printed on the question papers will be taken from these translations even if they go out of print during the lifetime of the specification.

We appreciate that any candidates taking this exam for the first time in 2011 who may perhaps re-sit this unit in 2012 face the burden of preparing an extra two texts for the re-sit opportunity. In order to reduce this potential burden for re-sitters in the first session after texts change we have taken care to provide a route which will allow candidates to focus on plays studied under the previous set of texts. However, centres should be aware that failure to cover all the prescribed material will limit the choice for candidates taking this unit.

If you have any queries about this notice, please call our Customer Contact Centre on 01223 553998.