

**Wednesday 13 June 2012 – Afternoon**

**A2 GCE CLASSICS: ANCIENT HISTORY**

**F393** Greek History: conflict and culture

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

**OCR supplied materials:**

- 16 page Answer Booklet  
(sent with general stationery)

**Other materials required:**

None

**Duration:** 2 hours



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink.
- Choose **one** option. Answer any **two** questions. Both questions must be from the same option.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- This question paper contains questions on the following three options:
  - Option 1: Greece and Persia 499–449 BC
  - Option 2: Greece in conflict 460–403 BC
  - Option 3: The culture of Athens 449–399 BC
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

**Option 1: Greece and Persia 499–449 BC**

Answer **two** questions.

**You are reminded that you must use relevant original sources in your answer, and that marks are awarded for the quality of written communication in your answer.**

- 1 'Relations between Greek city-states and Persians changed completely as a result of the Battle of Marathon.' To what extent do the sources support this view? **[50]**
  
- 2 How far were Persian military weaknesses responsible for the outcomes of the battles between the Greeks and the Persians? (You should discuss at least **two** battles.) **[50]**
  
- 3 'Herodotus' main aim was to entertain his audience.' To what extent is this a fair assessment of his account of the conflict between the Greeks and the Persians? **[50]**
  
- 4 'The Persians found that the Greeks were not worth conquering, so after 479 BC major conflict between them came to an end.' To what extent do the sources support this view? **[50]**

**Paper Total [100]**

**Option 2: Greece in conflict 460–403 BC**

Answer **two** questions.

**You are reminded that you must use relevant original sources in your answer, and that marks are awarded for the quality of written communication in your answer.**

- 5 'Without Thucydides we would understand little about conflict during this period.' To what extent is this a fair assessment? [50]
- 6 'The Athenians saw their allies only as a source of wealth.' To what extent is this a fair assessment of Athenian treatment of their allies in this period? [50]
- 7 How far did conflict affect the internal politics of Greek city-states? (You should discuss **at least two** city-states.) [50]
- 8 'The Athenians controlled their allies, but the Spartans were controlled by theirs.' To what extent do the sources support this view? [50]

**Paper Total [100]**

**Option 3: The culture of Athens 449–399 BC**

Answer **two** questions.

**You are reminded that you must use relevant original sources in your answer, and that marks are awarded for the quality of written communication in your answer.**

- 9 To what extent do the sources suggest that the Sophists undermined religious belief in Athens? [50]
- 10 How far did the plays performed at dramatic festivals encourage the Athenians to question their society and its values? [50]
- 11 ‘Religious festivals were an essential part of life for everyone in Attica.’ How far do the sources support this view? [50]
- 12 To what extent was the Athenian building programme a political statement? [50]

**Paper Total [100]**

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