# Classics: Latin 

## Advanced GCE

Unit F364: Latin prose

## Mark Scheme for June 2011

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| Section A |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Answers must be marked using the level descriptors in the marking grids and a mark awarded for each Assessment Objective. The following points are indicative and offer question-specific guidance. |  |
| 1 | (a) | Show how Tacitus portrays Poppaea as cunning and manipulative in this passage. <br> - sibi matrimonium et discidium Octaviae - (chiastic arrangement); her position first; juxtaposition of antonyms <br> - incolumi Agrippina - overtones that something should be done about her, without overtly stating what <br> - contrast of criminationibus and per facetias (with crebris emphatically placed + emphasised by alliteration of C) --> variety of methods <br> - incusare principem et pupillum vocare - chiastic arrangement/alliteration of P , disparaging use of pupillum <br> - iussis alienis obnoxius - belittles Nero, suggesting not in control <br> - non modo ... etiam indigeret - again belittles Nero to goad him into action <br> - cur ... suas? - rhetorical question <br> - use of scilicet, coupled with careful choice and arrangement of objects of Nero's apparent displeasure (formam, triumphales avos [an exaggeration], fecunditatem and verum animum) - sexual teasing <br> - saltem subtle implications [NB timeri it was feared by Agrippina, not Nero or anyone else] <br> - dropping of uxor into line 10 <br> - careful balancing of iniurias patrum and iram populi <br> - attack on Agrippina with her superbiam avaritiamque <br> - wonderful phrasing of nurum ... posset, with the artful redderetur ipsa Othonis coniugio - Nero runs the risk of losing her: again teasing and manipulative (is it a bluff?) <br> - ituram ... terrarum - Nero would not see her again (Otho was in Spain), but it is a bluff again <br> - contrast between audiret and viseret (lines 14-15) <br> - audiret ... periculis eius immixta --> she "clearly" has his interests at heart since she regards herself as implicated in dangers directed against him <br> - haec atque talia - Tacitus only gives a sample of what was said <br> - lacrimis et arte adulterae penetrantia - a wonderfully sinister phrase | [25] |


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| 1 | (b) | How does Tacitus' language convey his strong disapproval of Nero's excesses in this passage? <br> - ratus - attributing dishonourable motivation to Nero <br> - dedecus molliri si plures foedasset - juxtaposition of dedecus and molliri followed by the qualifier, with powerful foedasset <br> - egestate venales - difficulty and consequence neatly next to each other, perhaps sympathy for their plight and hence criticism of Nero for exploiting it <br> - quos fato perfunctos etc - expresses concern for the dead <br> - maioribus ... puto : concern for ancestors (emphasised by maioribus) - Nero's family is also an ancient one which T roundly attacks <br> - flagitium eius - emphatic condemnation of Nero <br> - ob delicta ... ne delinquerent - contrast (but NB variety), putting the blame squarely on Nero, not the poor nobles <br> - notos quoque (promoted to stress their importance) --> widespread corruption of the two highest classes of Roman society by N's régime <br> - promittere subegit - interesting juxtaposition of words ('forced to promise') <br> - operas arenae promittere - a slightly euphemistic expression reinforces the wrong that is done to the knights <br> - donis ingentibus - sheer scale of Nero's corruption emphasised <br> - nisi quod ... vim necessitatis adfert : removes any suspicion that greed (donis) may have been the motive of the knights --> a shrewd insight into the dynamics of power and its abuse <br> - ne tamen adhuc ... dehonestaretur : pointed mention of public theatre and powerful verb of shaming <br> - in quos passim nomina data: military phrase for distinctly unmilitary activity! <br> - passim picked up by next sentence and tricolon of non-excuses for participation (nobilitas, aetas and acti honores) <br> - Graeci Latinive ... haud viriles : emphasises actor's art with the derogatory usque ... viriles (not manly/Roman thing to do, reinforced by emphatic haud) <br> - quin et : introducing an even more shocking example of N's corrupting of society <br> - inlustres deformia (juxtaposition) --> the disgust he feels <br> - reference to Augustus (note emphatic position) --> emphasises N's degrading of the original naval lake <br> - conventicula ... luxui : tricolon of undesirable edifices (with conventicula expressing contempt via diminutive) |  |


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|  | - dabanturque stipes quas ... consumerent : draws attention to the stipes (implies small amount) and how people spent it <br> - gliscere flagitia et infamia : powerful vocab - esp. unusual verb gliscere(swell / blaze up) conjures vivid image <br> - ulla (conluvies) ... illa conluvies : emphatic position of noun serving to emphasise both it and the contrast between earlier days and Nero's time <br> - moribus olim corruptis plus libidinum : T. concedes that even preNero things had got bad (describing the morals as corrupted is a powerful statement); but plus libidinum (with all its connotations) is highly charged; force of the the main verb --> ? a sense of morals under siege. | [25] |


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| 2 | (a) | Show how Livy portrays Pacuvius Calavius (PC) as ambitious and cunning. <br> - in summo magistratu - official position impressive and hence reflects on PC as a powerful political figure <br> - iam diu infestam ... plebem --> astute awareness of political reality <br> - per occasionem ... Poenis: ... and of what it might lead to <br> - improbus ... perditus (neat chiastic phrase): highly effective summary of his character <br> - in cum ... dominari - self-interest expressed in political terms <br> - nullam ... crederet : his belief that no state could survive without a governing council (expressed in terms of bereavement) <br> - rationem iniit ... faceret --> implies careful calculation <br> - et senatum servaret et obnoxium ... faceret --> double-dealer <br> - cum ... praefatus esset --> wonderfully duplicitous <br> - quippe qui : adding plausibility to what he says <br> - ceterum ... instare : manipulative, playing with senate's fears <br> - non enim per ... velle : plays to senate's fears, with mendacious claims <br> - per caedem senatus vacuam rem publicam: extremely emotive phrase <br> - se ... credant - he knows a way out; carefully expressed to acknowledge their past differences (certaminum in re publica obliti) <br> - omnes ... permitterent - gets his way by his scare-tactics <br> - vivid use of direct speech for the climax <br> - tamquam ... particeps : disarms their suspicions by dissembling <br> - approbando consilia : pretends simply to be making the best of a situation outside his control <br> - viam ... inveniam : a con-trick! | [25] |


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| 2 | (b) | What makes this passage a good example of vivid historical narrative? <br> - general theme appealing to Roman audience: conflict between duty to father and sense of what is right (duty to Rome) <br> - de quo ante ... draws reader/listener in <br> - filium iuvenem adds interest by drawing attention to age of son <br> - abstractum ab ... latere - suggests that he has to be hauled away from the man he supported <br> - cum quo ... steterat - superlative adverb; contrast of pro and adversus; resoluteness of steterat <br> - nec eum ... depulerat --> a hard case: no amount of opposition swayed his view, not even his father's authority (patria maiestas) <br> - pater iuveni Hannibalem deprecando magis quam purgando placavit (nicely balanced sentence) --> the father had tried hard to reconcile Hannibal and YC <br> - build up of the invitation and the banquet to which eum (YC) cum patre was invited <br> - non ex more Punico aut militari disciplina: banquet was a civilian affair, to suggest normality and put YC at his ease and win him over <br> - emphatic unus and nec ... nec ... reinforced by ipsius interdum Hannibalis <br> - YC the odd man out - nothing can persuade him to drink with the foe <br> - valetudinem excusans - YC tactfully offers an explanation <br> - patre ... causanti : the father provides a further excuse <br> - haud mirabilem : some irony here - YC certainly has a lot on his mind! <br> - ubi in secretum ... : signals the approaching climax <br> - vivid use of direct speech for the climax of the scene <br> - non veniam solum peccati - YC regards defection to Hannibal as peccatum; the plan will get Roman forgiveness <br> - sed in multo maiore dignitate ... fuimus --> YC is as politically astute/ambitious as his father! | [25] |


| Section B |  |  |  |  |
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| 3 | (a) |  | time and opportunity [1] ... for treachery and deceit [1] | [2] |
| 3 | (b) |  | TWO of: some troops had left [1]; others were resting [1] after working hard [1]; arms packed away [1] | [2] |
| 3 | (c) |  | erumpunt, inferunt, arripiunt etc : exciting vocabulary (with translation) ignem operibus inferunt / hunc sic distulit ventus : snappy phrases uno tempore : everything catching fire at once agger ...tormenta: asyndeton/list with no connectives + indication of effect priusquam ... posset : shows decisive speed of the event repentina fortuna permoti : impact of swift change of fortune arma quae possunt arripiunt : urgency fit ... impetus: simple clause/unusual word-order --> fast Roman response <br> Award up to 2 marks per valid point well made - it is the quality of the analysis and explanation that is being marked, not just the Latin quoted. <br> Must have at least one content and one style point to get max marks. | [6] |
| 3 | (d) | (i) | languentibus - abl (1) in Abl Abs (1) | [2] |
|  |  | (ii) | fortuna - ablative (1) instrumental, or suitable translation (1) | [2] |
|  |  | (iii) | arma - acc (1) object (1) | [2] |
| 3 | (e) |  | after their prolonged toil (1) Do not accept 'from ...' | [1] |
| 3 | (f) |  | (present) passive infinitive (1) Do not accept wrong tense of infinitive. | [1] |
| 3 | (g) | (i) | cum clause, or translation as 'since/when' (1) | [1] |
|  |  | (ii) | result clause (1) | [1] |


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| 3 | (h) | Translate the second paragraph (lines 9-15) into English. Remember that extra credit will be given for good English. <br> 1. sed de muro sagittis tormentisque fugientes persequi prohibentur. <br> 2. illi sub murum se recipiunt ibique turrim libere incendunt. <br> 3. ita multorum mensium labor hostium perfidia et vi tempestatis brevissimo tempore interiit. <br> 4. temptaverunt hoc idem Massilienses postero die. <br> 5. eandem nacti tempestatem maiore cum fiducia ad alteram turrim aggeremque ${ }^{5}$ eruptione pugnaverunt multumque ignem intulerunt. <br> 6. sed quamquam superioris temporis contentionem ${ }^{7}$ nostri omnem remiserant, tamen proximi diei casu admoniti omnia ad defensionem paraverant. <br> 7. itaque multis interfectis reliquos infecta re in oppidum reppulerunt. <br> The passage has been divided into 7 sections, each worth 4 marks. Draw a vertical line in the text to indicate where each section ends, and write the mark awarded for the section in the margin. <br> Marks for each section should be awarded as follows: <br> [4] All or almost all the meaning conveyed(as agreed at Standardisation) <br> [3] Most of the meaning conveyed <br> [2] Half the meaning conveyed; the rest seriously flawed <br> [1] Very little meaning conveyed, or isolated words known <br> [0] No elements of meaning conveyed; no relation to the Latin at all <br> Add up the sectional marks to give a subtotal out of 28, then add marks $(0,1,2)$ for fluency of translation to give a total out of 30 . <br> Marks for fluency of English should be awarded as follows, for improvements on a literal translation (please tick elements credited): <br> [2] Expressed fluently and stylishly: consistently successful <br> [1] Occasional improvements on a literal translation <br> [0] No or very little improvement on a literal translation <br> Write the total out of 50 in the right-hand margin. Ring this total. | [30] |
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| 4 | 1 | After he had defeated the Abanni in a small battle,Theodosius quickly marched to a nearby town. <br> Theodosius, Abannis levi in proelio victis, ad vicinum oppidum celeriter contendit. | $\checkmark$ word order; voc; abl abs; prep phr word order |
|  | 2 | He stayed there for several days so that his men might rest, and then advanced into the hills. <br> ibi complures dies mansit/manebat ut sui se reficerent, deinde in colles/montes progressus est. | $\checkmark$ voc; voc; omission of et |
|  | 3 | But the barbarians had occupied these and, since he did not know how he could go past the enemy, he started to withdraw. <br> quibus tamen a barbaris occupatis, cum nesciret quomodo hostes praeterire posset (praeteriret) se recipere incipit. | $\checkmark$ con rel; abl abs; voc; voc |
|  | 4 | With a menacing cry, the enemy suddenly attacked. Theodosius' men were defeated in the first attack and driven back. <br> at minaci clamore hostes subito impetum fecerunt; milites Theodosii primo impetu victi repulsi sunt. | $\begin{aligned} & \checkmark \text { con; voc; voc; } \\ & \text { sub } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 5 | He urged his men to stand firm and was so courageous that his men took heart and returned to the fight. <br> ille autem suos ut perstarent hortatus, tam fortis erat ut animis refectis ad pugnam redirent. | $\checkmark$ ille; autem; voc; sub; voc/abl abs |
|  | 6 | After a long and fierce fight he broke through the barbarians' line. <br> postquam diu acriterque pugnatum est, (per) aciem barbarorum perrupit. | $\checkmark$ imp pass; compound |
|  | 7 | He soon reached a fortress in which the barbarians had imprisoned their captives. <br> brevi tempore ad munimentum quoddam pervenit in quo barbari captivos in vincula coniecerant. | $\begin{aligned} & \checkmark \text { voc; voc; } \\ & \text { voc. } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 8 | He rescued these alive and promptly killed their captors. hos vivos servavit et eos qui illos ceperant statim necavit. $\begin{aligned} & 8 \times 5=40 \\ & + \text { max. } 10 \text { style marks } \end{aligned}$ | $\checkmark$ idiom con rel; abl absol |


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|  | Marks for each section should be awarded as follows: <br> [5] All or almost all correct (as agreed at standardisation) <br> [4] Minor errors in accidence or syntax <br> [3] More serious errors in accidence or syntax <br> [2] Accidence / syntax seriously faulty, but not without sense <br> [1] A very small proportion of correct accidence or syntax <br> [0] No recognisable relation to the English <br> Style Ticks <br> The above are only suggestions (marked by underlining in the MS and an explanation in column 3). <br> Other attempts at connection and subordination, good choice of words and Latinate word order should also be rewarded. <br> These style ticks are vital to the overall mark ( $=20 \%$ of total). <br> Please tick the element being credited and record the marks for each section in the margin thus: e.g. $4+2,2+0$. <br> Max. 10 style ticks can be credited for the whole passage. <br> Total the basic mark + the style marks separately, then add together thus: e.g. $32+4=36$. Ring this total. |  |
|  | Section B Total | [50] |

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