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PAPER 2 Greek and Roman Literature
Topics 11–20 (Foundation Tier)

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Component 13: 1 h 30 mins
Component 14: 2 h 15 mins

Additional materials:
8 page answer booklet

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer **either** two topics (Component 13); **or** three topics (Component 14).
Answer **two** questions from Section 1 **and one** question from Section 2 of each topic.
Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Marks: Section 1: 12 marks each question; Section 2: 16 marks each question. Total per topic 40 marks. Marks for a part of a question are shown at the end of the part.
You will be awarded marks in Section 2 for the quality of written communication.

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Topic 11: Homer: Odyssey Books 9, 10, 21–23

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read the following passage from Book 9 and answer all the questions that follow.

Odysseus finds himself in the cave of the Cyclops.

'The Cyclops took the...

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... shall be your gift'

- (a) 'The Cyclops took the wine' (line 1).
- (i) Why did Odysseus have wine with him? [1]
- (ii) Who usually ate nectar and drank ambrosia (line 6)? [1]
- (b) Give three details of what happened straight after this passage once the Cyclops had drunk all the wine. [3]
- (c) Give three details of how Odysseus and his men escaped from the Cyclops. [3]
- (d) How does this passage show the different ways in which Odysseus is cunning? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read the following passage from Book 22 and answer all the questions that follow.

Odysseus begins his final revenge on the suitors.

Antinous had just reached...

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...there in the dirt

- (a) Who was Antinous? [1]
- (b) Odysseus 'shot him in the neck' (line 5).
What was special about the bow that Odysseus was using for this shot? [1]
- (c) Why were there no weapons for the suitors to defend themselves with at this point? [1]
- (d) Give one suggestion that Eurymachus makes to try to stop Odysseus killing everyone. [1]
- (e) (i) Give one detail about how Melanthius the goatherd helped the suitors in their battle against Odysseus. [1]
(ii) What did Odysseus tell the swineherd to do to Melanthius? [1]
(iii) Give two details of what Telemachus eventually did to Melanthius. [2]
- (f) Do you think this passage is interesting to read? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read the following passage from Book 22 and answer all the questions that follow.

The battle in the Great Hall is over and Odysseus sends Telemachus to fetch Eurycleia.

Telemachus obediently went off...

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...with a sharp rebuke

- (a) (i) Who was Eurycleia? [1]
 (ii) Give two details about how she had recognised Odysseus. [2]
 (iii) Why did Penelope and the suitors not recognise him? [1]
- (b) Eurycleia was loyal to Odysseus.
 (i) Give one other servant who was loyal to him. [1]
 (ii) What had the disloyal maids done? [1]
 (iii) Give one detail of how the disloyal maids were punished in the end. [1]
- (c) Later on Odysseus refused to spare the suitor Leodes even though he was a priest. Why did he refuse to spare him? [1]
- (d) Do you think that this passage is interesting? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 Do you think that the stories in Book 10 (Aeolus, the Laestrygonians and Circe) are exciting and dramatic?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from Book 10 of *The Odyssey*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- how Odysseus and his men very nearly reach home at the beginning of this book
- how the Laestrygonians treat Odysseus and his men
- what happens when Eurylochus and his party find Circe
- how Odysseus deals with that situation
- what Odysseus has to face at the end of the book. [16]

Or 2 If you were Odysseus, would you think that Penelope was worth all the troubles you had to face to get home to?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the books of *The Odyssey* that you have read.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- how Penelope behaves with the suitors
- how she shows her feelings for Odysseus
- how she behaves with their son Telemachus
- how she greets Odysseus when he returns. [16]

Topic 12: Homer: Iliad Books 1, 9, 22 and 24

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read the following passage from Book 22 and answer all the questions that follow.

Priam looks out from the walls of Troy.

The old man Priam's...

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...gone from my heart'

- (a) Why had most of the Trojans already gone back into the city? [1]
- (b) 'A terrible sorrow would be gone from my heart' (lines 13-14).
What sorrow does Priam blame on Achilleus? [1]
- (c) Why did Achilleus want to fight Hektor? [1]
- (d) Give one reason why Hektor thought he should fight Achilleus. [1]
- (e) What did Priam think would happen to his own body when he died? [1]
- (f) (i) What did Hekabe (Hektor's mother) do to try and persuade Hektor not to stay and fight Achilleus? [1]
- (ii) Why did she think this would persuade him? [1]
- (g) Who was Andromache? [1]
- (h) Do you feel sorry for Priam in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read the following passage from Book 22 and answer all the questions that follow.

News of Hektor's death reaches his wife.

So she spoke with...

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...off from the city'

- (a) 'She spoke with her tears falling' (line 1).
- (i) Who has just spoken? [1]
- (ii) What does she think she might as well do now? [1]
- (b) Give two details about how Hektor was tricked into taking a final stand against Achilles. [2]
- (c) (i) What did Priam do when he saw Hektor dead? [1]
- (ii) What did he want to go and do? [1]
- (iii) Why did he hope that he would be successful? [1]
- (d) What is happening to Hektor's body when Hektor's wife is saying these words? [1]
- (e) Do you feel sorry for Hektor's wife in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read the following passage from Book 24 and answer all the questions that follow.

Priam tells Hekabe of his plan to see Achilles.

So he spoke, and...

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Translated by:	M. Hammond
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...liver and eat it!

- (a) What has Achilles got that Priam wants back? [1]
- (b) (i) Who had told Priam that he should risk going to see Achilles? [1]
(ii) Who had sent this person? [1]
- (c) (i) Give one thing that Priam took with him. [1]
(ii) Why did he take this? [1]
- (d) Give two details of how Priam gets through the Greek camp unnoticed. [2]
- (e) Give one argument that Priam uses to persuade Achilles to give him what he wants. [1]
- (f) What impression do you get of the character of Hekabe from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 'Book 1 (The Anger of Achilles) is a brilliant introduction to the rest of *The Iliad*.' Do you agree?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the books of *The Iliad* that you have read.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what happens between Agamemnon and Achilles
- how this affects the rest of the story of *The Iliad*
- how the gods become involved with humans in Book 1
- how the gods and humans are contrasted in Book 1 and later in *The Iliad*. [16]

Or 2 In Book 9 (The Embassy to Achilles) do you think that Odysseus, Phoinix and Aias do their best to persuade Achilles to come back to the fighting or do you think they could have done it better?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from Book 9 of *The Iliad*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what Odysseus tells Achilles about Agamemnon's promises
- what stories Phoinix tells Achilles
- how Aias' words were different from the others
- whether you think Achilles could have been persuaded by *anything*. [16]

Topic 13: Sophocles: Oedipus the King and Antigone

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1 . Answer two questions from this section.

- 1 Read one of the following passages from Oedipus the King and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Fagles.

Creon arrives with news from Apollo.

Priest: Timely word. The men...

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Details:

Title:	Oedipus The King
Author:	Sophocles
Taken from:	'The Three Theban Plays'
Translated by:	Robert Fagles
ISBN-13:	978-0140444254

Oedipus: ...for my own life

- (a) 'With a lucky word of rescue' (line 5). What does Oedipus want rescue from? [1]
- (b) 'Creon...my kinsman' (line 11). What relation is Creon to Oedipus? [1]
- (c) 'What message from the god?' (line 12).
- (i) Where did Creon go to see Apollo? [1]
- (ii) Why was this the god he went to see? [1]
- (iii) What answer did he get from the god? [1]
- (d) Oedipus also asks Tiresias for help.
- (i) Who is Tiresias? [1]
- (ii) Why is Tiresias reluctant to tell Oedipus anything? [1]

- (e) What accusation does Oedipus later make against Tiresias and Creon? [1]
- (f) From this passage how do you think Oedipus and Creon are feeling as they speak to each other? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by McAuslan.

Creon arrives with news from Apollo.

Priest: Your remark is well...

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Title:	Oedipus The King
Author:	Sophocles
Translated by:	Ian McAuslan

Oedipus: ...people than for myself

- (a) 'May he bring salvation' (line 3). What does Oedipus want salvation from? [1]
- (b) What relation is Creon to Oedipus? [1]
- (c) 'What message do you bring us from the god?' (line 9).
- (i) Where did Creon go to see Apollo? [1]
- (ii) Why was this the god he went to see? [1]
- (iii) What answer did he get from the god? [1]
- (d) Oedipus also asks Tiresias for help.
- (i) Who is Tiresias? [1]
- (ii) Why is Tiresias reluctant to tell Oedipus anything? [1]
- (e) What accusation does Oedipus later make against Tiresias and Creon? [1]
- (f) From this passage how do you think Oedipus and Creon are feeling as they speak to each other? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read one of the following passages from Oedipus the King and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Fagles.

The messenger from Corinth brings news to Jocasta and Oedipus.

Messenger: Wonderful news...

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Jocasta: ...Oedipus feared for years

- (a) What connection was Polybus to Oedipus? [1]
- (b) What had Oedipus learnt from an oracle that made him fear Polybus? [1]
- (c) What other piece of information had he learnt from the oracle? [1]
- (d) Give one detail about how Oedipus has actually already fulfilled this oracle. [1]
- (e) (i) What does the messenger know about Oedipus' feet? [1]
(ii) How is Oedipus' name relevant to this? [1]
- (f) Oedipus later sends for a herdsman.
(i) What does he know about Oedipus' parents? [1]
(ii) What is his connection to the messenger? [1]
- (g) What impression of Jocasta do you get from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by McAuslan.

The messenger from Corinth brings news to Jocasta and Oedipus.

Messenger: Good news for this...

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Author:	Sophocles
Translated by:	Ian McAuslan

Jocasta: ...has so long avoided

- (a) What connection was Polybus to Oedipus? [1]
- (b) What had Oedipus learnt from an oracle that made him avoid Polybus? [1]
- (c) What other piece of information had he learnt from the oracle? [1]
- (d) Give one detail about how Oedipus has actually already fulfilled this oracle. [1]
- (e) (i) What does the messenger know about Oedipus' feet? [1]
(ii) How is Oedipus' name relevant to this? [1]
- (f) Oedipus later sends for a herdsman.
- (i) What does he know about Oedipus' parents? [1]
(ii) What is his connection to the messenger? [1]
- (g) What impression of Jocasta do you get from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read one of the following passages from *Antigone* and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Fagles.

Antigone and Ismene meet secretly at night.

Antigone: My own flesh and...

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Author:	Sophocles
Taken from:	'The Three Theban Plays'
Translated by:	Robert Fagles
ISBN-13:	978-0140444254

Ismene: ...ruin's still to come

- (a) (i) What relation was Creon to Antigone? [1]
 (ii) Why does she call him 'Commander' (line 9)? [1]
- (b) (i) Who were the 'enemies' (line 12)? [1]
 (ii) What did Creon say was to happen to them? [1]
- (c) 'Robbed of our two brothers' (line 17).
 (i) Why was Polynices fighting against his brother? [1]
 (ii) How did they die? [1]
- (d) (i) What does Antigone ask Ismene to help her do? [1]
 (ii) Give one reason why Ismene won't do it. [1]
- (e) What impression do you get of the character of Antigone from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

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Read this passage if you have used the translation by Franklin.

Antigone and Ismene meet secretly at night.

Antigone: My own dear sister...

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Author:	Sophocles
Taken from:	'Euripides: Bacchae '
Translated by:	David Franklin
ISBN-10:	052165372X
ISBN-13:	978-0521653725

Ismene: ...coming, or more suffering

- (a) (i) What relation was Creon to Antigone? [1]
 (ii) Why does she call him 'general' (line 6)? [1]
- (b) (i) Who were the 'enemies' (line 9)? [1]
 (ii) What did Creon say was to happen to them? [1]
- (c) 'Our two brothers were torn away from us' (lines 11-12).
 (i) Why was Polyneices fighting against his brother? [1]
 (ii) How did they die? [1]
- (d) (i) What does Antigone ask Ismene to help her do? [1]
 (ii) Give one reason why Ismene won't do it. [1]
- (e) What impression do you get of the character of Antigone from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 Imagine that you are Sophocles talking to some friends about your plays *Oedipus the King* and *Antigone*.

Explain to them why you think your plays deserve to win first prize.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what makes each of the plays enjoyable to watch
- what you think people can learn from watching the plays
- whether you think people will sympathise with the characters. [16]

Or 2 Both Oedipus and Creon start out wanting to rule the city well. Why do you think things go so horribly wrong for them?

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- the kind of things Oedipus thinks a king should do to keep the city safe
- the kind of things Creon thinks a king should do to keep the city safe
- who persuades Creon to change his mind about his decisions, and how he is persuaded
- whether you think either of them should have behaved differently. [16]

Topic 14: Euripides: Hippolytus and Alcestis

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read one of the following passages from Hippolytus and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Vellacott.

Hippolytus is brought back to Trozen badly injured.

Hippolytus: I, whose life was...

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Author:	Euripides
Taken from:	'Three plays'
Translated by:	Phillip Vellacott
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Hippolytus: ...suffering and forget pain?

- (a) (i) What creature has injured Hippolytus? [1]
 (ii) Who sent this creature? [1]
 (iii) Theseus had asked him to send this creature. Why did he agree to send it? [1]
- (b) (i) Why did Theseus at first think that Hippolytus deserved to be punished? [1]
 (ii) Why couldn't Hippolytus explain to Theseus what had happened? [1]
 (iii) How does Theseus later find out that he was wrong? [1]
- (c) (i) Why was Aphrodite annoyed with Hippolytus? [1]
 (ii) How had the servant tried to stop Aphrodite being annoyed? [1]
- (d) Do you feel sorry for Hippolytus in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Davie .

Hippolytus is brought back to Trozen badly injured.

Hippolytus: I, man of plenty...

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Author:	Euripides
Taken from:	'Medea and Other Plays'
Translated by:	John Davie
ISBN-13:	978-0140449297

Hippolytus: ...find release from pain?

- (a) (i) What creature has injured Hippolytus? [1]
 (ii) Who sent this creature? [1]
 (iii) Theseus had asked him to send this creature. Why did he agree to send it? [1]
- (b) (i) Why did Theseus at first think that Hippolytus deserved to be punished? [1]
 (ii) Why couldn't Hippolytus explain to Theseus what had happened? [1]
 (iii) How does Theseus later find out that he was wrong? [1]
- (c) (i) Why was Aphrodite annoyed with Hippolytus? [1]
 (ii) How had the servant tried to stop Aphrodite being annoyed? [1]
- (d) Do you feel sorry for Hippolytus in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read one of the following passages from *Alcestis* and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Vellacott.

Alcestis speaks her last words to Admetus and the children.

Alcestis: When you most need...

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Chorus: ...*Alcestis* is no more

- (a) Who gave Admetus the gift of avoiding death if someone would die in his place? [1]
- (b) Give two details about what Admetus had done to deserve this gift. [2]
- (c) Admetus asked his father if he would die for him.
- (i) Give one reason why Admetus thought that he should say yes. [1]
- (ii) Give one reason why his father said no. [1]
- (d) (i) What does *Alcestis* make Admetus promise? [1]
- (ii) Why does Admetus break this promise? [1]
- (iii) How does it turn out all right for Admetus in the end? [1]
- (e) What impression do you get of the characters of Admetus and *Alcestis* in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Davie .

Alcestis speaks her last words to Admetus and the children.

Alcestis: [losing control] O children...

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Taken from:	'Medea and Other Plays'
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Chorus leader: ...Admetus' wife is no more

- (a) Who gave Admetus the gift of avoiding death if someone would die in his place? [1]
- (b) Give two details about what Admetus had done to deserve this gift. [2]
- (c) Admetus asked his father if he would die for him.
- (i) Give one reason why Admetus thought that he should say yes. [1]
- (ii) Give one reason why his father said no. [1]
- (d) (i) What does Alcestis make Admetus promise? [1]
- (ii) Why does Admetus break this promise? [1]
- (iii) How does it turn out all right for Admetus in the end? [1]
- (e) What impression do you get of the characters of Admetus and Alcestis in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read one of the following passages from *Alcestis* and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Vellacott .

Heracles has been drinking and feasting and is now talking to the servant.

Heracles: Well now, listen to...

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ISBN-13:	978-0140440317

Heracles: ...just one long calamity!

- (a) (i) Give two details about the task that Heracles was on his way to do. [2]
 (ii) Why did Heracles think that he would be able to succeed in this task? [1]
- (b) Why did Heracles think that Admetus would be pleased to see him? [1]
- (c) Why was it so important to Admetus that Heracles should stay with him? [1]
- (d) Why was Heracles embarrassed when the servant told him Alcestis had died? [1]
- (e) Give two details of what Heracles did at Alcestis' graveside. [2]
- (f) What impression of Heracles do you get from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Davie .

Heracles has been drinking and feasting and is now talking to the servant.

Heracles: Just listen to me...

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Heracles: ...a chapter of sorrows

- (a) (i) Give two details about the task that Heracles was on his way to do. [2]
 (ii) Why did Heracles think that he would be able to succeed in this task? [1]
- (b) Why did Heracles think that Admetus would be pleased to see him? [1]
- (c) Why was it so important to Admetus that Heracles should stay with him? [1]
- (d) Why was Heracles embarrassed when the servant told him Alcestis had died? [1]
- (e) Give two details of what Heracles did at Alcestis' graveside. [2]
- (f) What impression of Heracles do you get from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 'Euripides only puts boring or disgraceful women in his plays.'

Do you agree that Alcestis and Phaedra are nothing more than this?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the plays *Hippolytus* and *Alcestis*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- how Alcestis behaves as she is about to die
- what she wants from Admetus
- whether you feel sorry for Phaedra
- whether you think that she behaved badly over Hippolytus. [16]

Or 2 'You really get to know the minor characters in Euripides' plays because he gives us such a full picture of them.'

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the plays *Hippolytus* and *Alcestis*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what you learn about the servants in *Alcestis*
- what you discover about Apollo and Death in *Alcestis*
- what the servant tries to do for Hippolytus
- how the nurse tries to help Phaedra
- what you think of the nurse because of what she did. [16]

Topic 15: Aristophanes: Acharnians and Lysistrata

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1 . Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read one of the following passages from Acharnians and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the 1973 edition .

The ambassador introduces Pseudartabas to the Assembly.

Ambassador: Because in Asia, you...

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Details:

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Author:	Aristophanes
Taken from:	'Lysistrata /The Acharnians/The Clouds ' 1973
Translated by:	Alan H. Sommerstein
ISBN-10:	0140442871
ISBN-13:	978-0140442871

Ambassador: ...the Great King's Eye

- (a) (i) How long has the ambassador been away? [1]
 (ii) Give one reason why Dikaiopolis is angry about the ambassador's report on his trip. [1]
- (b) What is unusual about Pseudartabas' appearance? [1]
- (c) Pseudartabas has two assistants with him.
 (i) What does Dikaiopolis find out about them? [1]
 (ii) How does he find this out? [1]
- (d) (i) What does Dikaiopolis want Amphitheus to get for him? [1]
 (ii) Why would Amphitheus be able to get it for him? [1]
 (iii) Who try to stop Amphitheus getting back to Dikaiopolis? [1]
- (e) How does Aristophanes make this passage funny? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

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Read this passage if you have used the 2002 edition .

The ambassador introduces Pseudartabas to the Assembly.

Ambassador: Because in Asia, you...

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Ambassador: ...the Great King's Eye

- (a) (i) How long has the ambassador been away? [1]
 (ii) Give one reason why Dikaiopolis is angry about the ambassador's report on his trip. [1]
- (b) What is unusual about Pseudartabas' appearance? [1]
- (c) Pseudartabas has two assistants with him.
 (i) What does Dikaiopolis find out about them? [1]
 (ii) How does he find this out? [1]
- (d) (i) What does Dikaiopolis want Amphytheus to get for him? [1]
 (ii) Why would Amphytheus be able to get it for him? [1]
 (iii) Who try to stop Amphytheus getting back to Dikaiopolis? [1]
- (e) How does Aristophanes make this passage funny? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read one of the following passages from *Acharnians* and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the 1973 edition .

Dikaiopolis has come to ask Euripides for some items from his store.

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- (a) When Dikaiopolis arrives at Euripides' house, where is Euripides himself? [1]
- (b) (i) What kind of outfit does Dikaiopolis want to borrow from Euripides? [1]
(ii) When does he want to wear it? [1]
(iii) Why does he think it is going to help him? [1]
- (c) (i) What has Dikaiopolis got that annoys the chorus? [1]
(ii) How did he get it? [1]
- (d) (i) How did the chorus try to stop Dikaiopolis arguing with them? [1]
(ii) Why did they give up trying to stop him? [1]
- (e) If you were an actor, how would you play this scene for laughs? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the 2002 edition .

Dikaiopolis has come to ask Euripides for some items from his store.

Euripides: I'll give it thee...

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Dikaiopolis: ...it by a lamp

- (a) When Dikaiopolis arrives at Euripides' house, where is Euripides himself? [1]
- (b) (i) What kind of outfit does Dikaiopolis want to borrow from Euripides? [1]
 (ii) When does he want to wear it? [1]
 (iii) Why does he think it is going to help him? [1]
- (c) (i) What has Dikaiopolis got that annoys the chorus? [1]
 (ii) How did he get it? [1]
- (d) (i) How did the chorus try to stop Dikaiopolis arguing with them? [1]
 (ii) Why did they give up trying to stop him? [1]
- (e) If you were an actor, how would you play this scene for laughs? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read one of the following passages from *Lysistrata* and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the 1973 edition .

Lysistrata has brought Reconciliation out with her to be part of the peace negotiations.

Lysistrata: Why don't you make...

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Negotiator: ...the same as we do

- (a) Give one thing that you know about Reconciliation's appearance. [1]
- (b) (i) Where have Lysistrata and the women been staying? [1]
(ii) Why did they choose this place? [1]
- (c) (i) What nationality is Lampito? [1]
(ii) Why was it surprising that she was in Athens? [1]
(iii) Explain one reason why it was important for Lysistrata to get Lampito's help. [2]
- (d) What happens at the very end of the play? [1]
- (e) Do you find this passage funny or not? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the 2002 edition .

Lysistrata has brought Reconciliation out with her to be part of the peace negotiations.

Lysistrata: Yes, why don't you...

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Details:

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Author:	Aristophanes
Taken from:	2002 edition
Translated by:	Alan H. Sommerstein

First Athenian: ...same as we do

- (a) Give one thing that you know about Reconciliation's appearance. [1]
- (b) (i) Where have Lysistrata and the women been staying? [1]
 (ii) Why did they choose this place? [1]
- (c) (i) What nationality is Lampito? [1]
 (ii) Why was it surprising that she was in Athens? [1]
 (iii) Explain one reason why it was important for Lysistrata to get Lampito's help. [2]
- (d) What happens at the very end of the play? [1]
- (e) Do you find this passage funny or not? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 Do you think that *Acharnians* or *Lysistrata* gives the better argument for peace?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from **both** *Acharnians* and *Lysistrata*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- the reasons that Dikaiopolis gives for the war
- the reasons he gives for preferring peace
- whether you think his plan for getting peace is a good one
- the reasons Lysistrata gives for what she does
- the explanation she gives for why women should run Athens
- whether you think her plan for getting peace is a good one.

[16]

Or 2 Explain why you would or would not have enjoyed watching a performance of plays by Aristophanes.

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from **either** *Acharnians* or *Lysistrata* **or both** plays.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- whether the characters are interesting
- the way they react to each other
- which bits are funny to watch
- what kind of issues the plays make you think about
- whether there is any variety in what you are watching
- how the staging of the play keeps you interested.

[16]

Topic 16: Herodotus: The Persian War

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read the following passage from Chapter 2 and answer all the questions that follow.

The Greeks and Persians are engaged in battle at Marathon.

The fighting went on...

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...died and 192 Athenians

- (a) (i) Why were the Persians successful in pushing the centre of the Athenian line back? [1]
 (ii) How can you tell from Herodotus' words that this was part of the Athenian plan? [1]
- (b) Give one reason that Miltiades used to persuade the Polemarch to face the Persians here. [1]
- (c) Why did Miltiades need the Polemarch to vote for his plan for the battle? [1]
- (d) Why did Miltiades wait before leading the Greeks out? [1]
- (e) What did the Persian fleet do once the army had been defeated at Marathon? [1]
- (f) Give one detail about why Miltiades was put on trial later in his career. [1]
- (g) How did Miltiades die? [1]
- (h) This is a very short account of the battle but it is still effective. What do you think makes it so? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read the following passage from Chapter 5 and answer all the questions that follow.

The Spartans prepare to meet their end at Thermopylae.

So, the barbarians made...

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Author:	Herodotus
Taken from:	'Herodotus: The Persian War', Chapter 5
Translated by:	William Shepherd
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...times in the process

- (a) 'With the force coming round the mountain' (line 8).
Give two details of how Xerxes had discovered a way round the mountain. [2]
- (b) (i) Give one detail of how the Spartans had prepared themselves for battle. [1]
(ii) When Xerxes heard about this, what was his reaction? [1]
- (c) Where were the Greeks who died at Thermopylae buried? [1]
- (d) What would a visitor to Thermopylae, in Herodotus' time, have seen to commemorate the death of Leonidas? [1]
- (e) (i) After the battle at Thermopylae Xerxes marched south through Phocis and Boeotia. What city was he making for? [1]
(ii) What did he find when he got there? [1]
- (f) What impression do you get of the Persians and the Greeks from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read the following passage from Chapter 9 and answer all the questions that follow.

After the battle of Salamis, Alexander has brought a message from the Persian general Mardonius. The Spartans try to persuade the Athenians to resist his offer.

'Even so, we sympathise...

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...and effigies he burned'

- (a) What did Mardonius want the Athenians to do? [1]
- (b) Give one of the arguments Alexander had used to persuade the Athenians to do what Mardonius wanted. [1]
- (c) Give one of the reasons that the Spartans have used before this passage to persuade the Athenians not to agree to Mardonius' request. [1]
- (d) Give one reason that the Athenians go on to give the Spartans to explain why they would never do what Mardonius wanted. [1]
- (e) Later Mardonius tries to persuade the Athenians in person.
- (i) What does he find when he gets to Athens? [1]
- (ii) Where does he have to send his messenger to speak to the Athenians? [1]
- (iii) Why are the Athenians there? [1]
- (iv) What happens to the Athenian councillor who supports Mardonius? [1]
- (f) Do you think this passage is a good way to tell the story of this debate? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 'You can always rely on Herodotus to give you a rattling good tale and the story of Salamis is no exception.'

Do you agree that the story of Salamis is 'a rattling good tale'?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from *The Persian War*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what the oracle says about Salamis
- why the Athenians are in great danger
- what part Themistocles plays in bringing about the battle
- what happens in the battle itself
- what Herodotus tells you about the different sides in the battle. [16]

Or 2 'Herodotus has written a wonderful tale full of excitement and drama, which we can enjoy whether we are interested in history or not.'

Do you agree?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from *The Persian War*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- whether you think that the stories are written in an exciting way
- whether you think there is a variety of stories
- how Herodotus makes his stories dramatic
- whether you think you have learnt any history from them. [16]

Topic 17: Virgil: Aeneid Books 1, 2 and 4

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read the following passage from Book 1 and answer all the questions that follow.

Aeneas reaches the palace of Dido.

The Tyrians are working...

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Author:	Virgil
Taken from:	'Virgil: Aeneid', 1984 (CUP), Book 1
Translated by:	G. Tingay

...young warriors around her

- (a) In this passage the Carthaginians are called Tyrians (line 1) because Dido originally lived in Tyre. [1]
- (i) What did her brother do to her husband in Tyre? [1]
- (ii) How did Dido find out about it? [1]
- (b) 'Their city's already half built!' (line 12). [1]
- (i) How did Dido get the plot of land to build her city on? [1]
- (ii) Why does Aeneas think that the Carthaginians are fortunate to have their city half built already? [1]
- (c) Give one detail of what Aeneas has learnt from Hector or Creusa about his own destiny. [1]
- (d) 'Still shrouded in mist' (line 13). [1]
- (i) While Aeneas is concealed in the mist, who does he see arriving? [1]
- (ii) Why is Aeneas so pleased to see these people? [1]
- (e) Whom had Aeneas left behind at the ships when he went to explore the area? [1]
- (f) What do you like or dislike about this description of Aeneas' arrival in Carthage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read the following passage from Book 4 and answer all the questions that follow.

Dido shares her feelings with Anna.

For a long time...

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Title:	Aeneid
Author:	Virgil
Taken from:	'Virgil: Aeneid', 1984 (CUP), Book 4
Translated by:	G. Tingay

...to this one temptation

- (a) (i) Where has Aeneas shown 'great valour' (line 3)? [1]
 (ii) How does Dido know about this? [1]
- (b) 'The fame of his family' (line 3).
 Give one member of Aeneas' family at Troy who was famous. [1]
- (c) 'I believe he's the son of some god' (lines 10-11).
 Why is Dido in fact right about this? [1]
- (d) 'Never again to tie myself to a man in the bond of marriage' (lines 13-14).
 Give one reason why Dido feels she could not marry again. [1]
- (e) (i) How had Dido got to know Iarbas? [1]
 (ii) Why did he later become angry with Dido? [1]
 (iii) When Iarbas asked Jupiter for help about this, why was Jupiter happy to do what Iarbas asked? [1]
- (f) What impression of Dido do you get from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read the following passage from Book 4 and answer all the questions that follow.

Dido gathers together Aeneas' things and prepares herself for what she must face.

When, in the very...

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Author:	Virgil
Taken from:	'Virgil: Aeneid', 1984 (CUP), Book 4
Translated by:	G. Tingay

...belt of her dress

- (a) What does Dido plan to do on the pyre she has built (line 1)? [1]
- (b) What has she told Anna this pyre is for? [1]
- (c) Why does Dido blame Anna for her troubles? [1]
- (d) Give two reasons that Dido has used to try to persuade Aeneas not to leave. [2]
- (e) Give two details from the prayer Dido makes to Juno and Hecate about what Aeneas will face in his search for a new Troy. [2]
- (f) Give one detail of the curse Dido makes on Aeneas' descendants. [1]
- (g) How well does this passage grab your attention? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 'The gods and goddesses in Virgil's *Aeneid* make the whole thing a great read.'

Do you agree that Juno, Jupiter and Venus are interesting characters?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the books of *The Aeneid* that you have read.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what Jupiter tells Aeneas to do and how he lets him know
- how Juno and Jupiter behave together
- what plans Juno and Venus make
- whether this is what you expect gods to be like.

[16]

Or 2 Do you think Virgil has written a wonderful adventure story in Book 2 of *The Aeneid* or not?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from Book 2 of *The Aeneid*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what happens when the Trojans find the Wooden Horse
- when Aeneas dreams about the ghost of Hector
- what Aeneas first tries to do to save the city
- what happens when he reaches his family
- who he meets as he leaves the city.

[16]

Topic 18: Ovid: Metamorphoses Books 7 and 8

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read one of the following passages from Book 7 and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Innes.

Aeacus explains why Cephalus has seen none of the people whom he met on his last visit to Aegina.

Not to waste your...

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...rivers with their poisons

- (a) (i) What did Cephalus want from Aeacus? [1]
 (ii) Why did he need this? [1]
- (b) (i) What sign of the plague did the farmers first notice? [1]
 (ii) What was unusual about the behaviour of vultures at this time? [1]
- (c) Why did people think going to the temples would help? [1]
- (d) Why did Aeacus choose Jupiter to pray to? [1]
- (e) Explain one reason why Aeacus gave his people the name Myrmidons. [2]
- (f) How do Aeacus' words in this passage show you how awful he thought the plague was? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Raeburn.

Aeacus explains why Cephalus has seen none of the people whom he met on his last visit to Aegina.

But now I'll return...

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...streams with additional poison

- (a) (i) What did Cephalus want from Aeacus? [1]
 (ii) Why did he need this? [1]
- (b) (i) What sign of the plague did the farmers first notice? [1]
 (ii) What was unusual about the behaviour of vultures at this time? [1]
- (c) Why did people think going to the temples would help? [1]
- (d) Why did Aeacus choose Jupiter to pray to? [1]
- (e) Explain one reason why Aeacus gave his people the name Myrmidons. [2]
- (f) How do Aeacus' words in this passage show you how awful he thought the plague was? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]
 [Turn over

- 2 Read one of the following passages from Book 8 and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Innes.

Scylla considers how she can get what she wants.

'There is a garrison...

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...for which I pray!

- (a) 'There is a garrison on sentry duty' (line 1). Why did the city need to be guarded by this garrison? [1]
- (b) (i) Who was Minos? [1]
 (ii) How did Scylla feel about him? [1]
- (c) (i) Who did the 'purple tress' (line 10) belong to? [1]
 (ii) Explain why it was so important to Scylla's city. [2]
 (iii) Give one detail of what happened when Scylla took the tress to Minos. [1]
- (d) What did Scylla's father try to do to her? [1]
- (e) What impression do you get of Scylla from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Raeburn.

Scylla considers how she can get what she wants.

'There are sentries on...

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...that I pray for!

- (a) 'There are sentries on guard' (line 1). Why did the city need to be guarded by these sentries? [1]
- (b) (i) Who was Minos? [1]
(ii) How did Scylla feel about him? [1]
- (c) (i) Who did the 'crimson lock' (line 19) belong to? [1]
(ii) Explain why it was so important to Scylla's city. [2]
(iii) Give one detail of what happened when Scylla took the crimson lock to Minos. [1]
- (d) What did Scylla's father try to do to her? [1]
- (e) What impression do you get of Scylla from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read one of the following passages from Book 8 and answer all the questions that follow.

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Innes.

Baucis and Philemon entertain the gods.

As the dinner went on...

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...up the long slope

- (a) (i) 'We are gods' (line 10). Give one of these gods. [1]
 (ii) Why had these gods come to the house of Baucis and Philemon? [1]
- (b) Give two details of how Baucis and Philemon had tried to look after the gods. [2]
- (c) Why did the neighbourhood deserve to be punished (lines 10-11)? [1]
- (d) How did the gods punish the neighbourhood? [1]
- (e) What happened to the house of Baucis and Philemon? [1]
- (f) What happened to Baucis and Philemon as they died? [1]
- (g) What impression do you get of the characters of Baucis and Philemon in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Read this passage if you have used the translation by Raeburn.

Baucis and Philemon entertain the gods.

Meanwhile, whenever the mixing-bowl...

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...the long steep slope

- (a) (i) 'We are gods' (line 19). Give one of these gods. [1]
- (ii) Why had these gods come to the house of Baucis and Philemon? [1]
- (b) Give two details of how Baucis and Philemon had tried to look after the gods. [2]
- (c) Why did the neighbours deserve to 'pay the price ... for their wicked impiety' (lines 19-21)? [1]
- (d) How did the gods punish the neighbourhood? [1]
- (e) What happened to the house of Baucis and Philemon? [1]
- (f) What happened to Baucis and Philemon as they died? [1]
- (g) What impression do you get of the characters of Baucis and Philemon in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 Do you think that the story of Medea is varied and interesting?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from *Metamorphoses*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what happens when Jason goes to Colchis
- what happens when he and Medea get back to Greece
- what Medea does to Pelias and why
- where Medea goes after this
- how you feel about Medea in the different parts of the story
- which parts of the story you like and why.

[16]

Or 2 Do you feel sorry for Meleager and Althaea?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from *Metamorphoses*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what you find out about Meleager before the Boar-hunt
- what happens during the hunt
- what Meleager does after this and why he does it
- what Althaea does to her son and why she does it
- how you feel about the arguments she uses to decide what to do.

[16]

Topic 19: Pliny: Letters

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read the following passage and answer all the questions that follow.

Pliny is writing about the death of his own slaves.

I have been worn...

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...the tears you shed

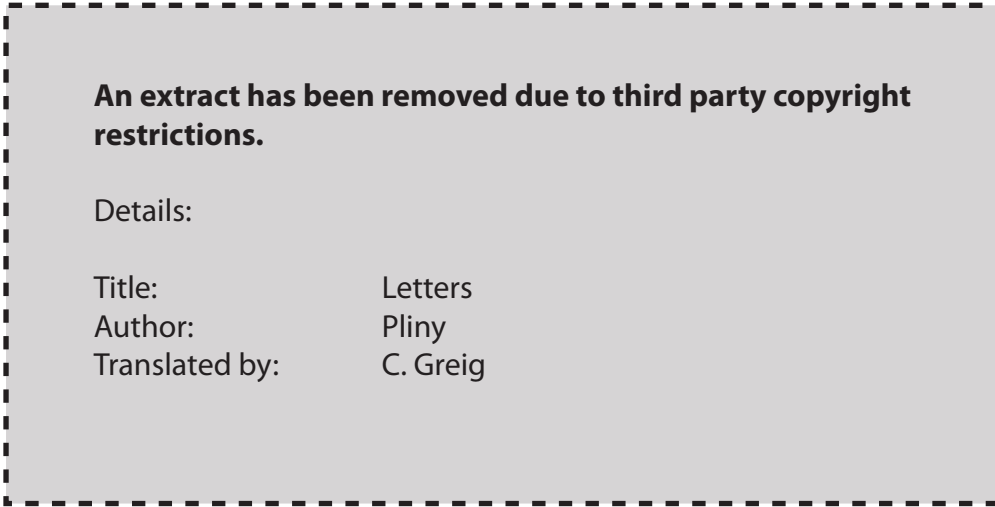
- (a) What two things did Pliny do which gave him comfort when his own slaves died? [2]
- (b) Give three details of when one of Pliny's ex-slaves (freedmen) was ill and what Pliny did about it. [3]
- (c) Give three details of what some slaves did to their master Makedo. [3]
- (d) What does this passage make you think about Pliny? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 2 Read the following passage and answer all the questions that follow.

Pliny writes to Tacitus about having a school in Comum.

I would have promised...



...do me this favour

- (a) Give three details of how Pliny found out that there was no school in Comum. [3]
- (b) Why is Pliny particularly fond of Comum? [1]
- (c) How much did Pliny offer to contribute to help to hire teachers? [1]
- (d) Give one reason why Pliny thinks that children should be educated in the town where they live. [1]
- (e) Pliny goes on to ask Tacitus to send him some of his students. Give two details of what Pliny says he will do if Tacitus sends them. [2]
- (f) Are you impressed with what Pliny has to say in this letter? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read the following passage and answer all the questions that follow.

Trajan sends a letter to Pliny in Bithynia.

I wish that you...

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...‘shake them out’ too!

- (a) (i) Trajan had sent Pliny to Bithynia. Who was Trajan? [1]
 (ii) What was Pliny’s job there? [1]
- (b) What two means of travel had Pliny used to get to Bithynia? [2]
- (c) Give two problems that he had had on his journey. [2]
- (d) On what special occasion had he arrived in Bithynia? [1]
- (e) Give one thing he says about what people in Bithynia think about Trajan. [1]
- (f) If you had been Pliny, would you have been pleased with this letter from Trajan? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 Would you have liked to be a friend of Pliny in ancient Rome?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the letters which you have read.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- his attitude towards members of his family
- the kinds of things he chooses to write about
- what he says about his wife
- his work in Rome
- his relationship with Trajan.

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Or 2 Do you think that Pliny was a good husband?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the letters which you have read.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- what he says he likes about Calpurnia
- what he says about when she is ill
- how she supports him in his work
- how he speaks about her to others
- what he says about her when they are apart.

[16]

Topic 20: Tacitus: Empire and Emperors

Answer two questions from Section 1 and one question from Section 2.

Section 1. Answer two questions from this section.

1 Read the following passage from Chapter 1 and answer all the questions that follow.

The reign of Augustus comes to an end.

The transformation of the...

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Author:	Tacitus
Translated by:	Tingay
Chapter:	1

...Tiberius was in command

- (a) 'The transformation of the state was complete' (line 1).
Give one detail about how Augustus became emperor. [1]
- (b) How did Augustus persuade
- (i) the army [1]
 - (ii) the people of Rome [1]
 - (iii) everyone in the Empire [1]
- to be happy with his new reign?
- (c) (i) Who was Marcus Agrippa? [1]
(ii) How did Augustus reward Agrippa for his actions? [1]
- (d) 'It was announced...that Tiberius was in command' (lines 15 -16).
- (i) Give one person that Augustus would have preferred as his heir. [1]
 - (ii) Why did he not get his way on this? [1]
- (e) In what ways is Tacitus criticising the people that he is talking about in this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

[Turn over

- 2 Read the following passage from Chapter 2 and answer all the questions that follow.

Tiberius faces the difficulties of the mutinies.

Tiberius was quite unmoved...

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Details:

Title:	Empire and Emperors
Author:	Tacitus
Translated by:	Tingay
Chapter:	2

...the provincials last of all

- (a) 'Tiberius was quite unmoved by such remarks' (line 1).
Give one reason why people thought that Tiberius should go to the mutinies himself. [1]
- (b) Give one reason why the soldiers in Germany had mutinied. [1]
- (c) Give one detail of what Germanicus did to try to stop the mutiny when he first arrived. [1]
- (d) (i) Why did Germanicus send his wife and children away? [1]
(ii) Why did Agrippina say she should stay? [1]
- (e) Give two details about how the men who had started the mutiny were dealt with. [2]
- (f) Why did Germanicus decide to cross the River Rhine and attack Germany at this time? [1]
- (g) What impression of Tiberius do you get from this passage? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

- 3 Read the following passage from Chapter 4 and answer all the questions that follow.

Tacitus describes the case of Clutorius Priscus who was brought to court for treason in AD 21.

As the damning evidence...

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Author:	Tacitus
Translated by:	Tingay
Chapter:	1

...him from offering leniency

- (a) (i) What had Clutorius written that had got him into trouble? [1]
(ii) Why was it such a bad thing to do? [1]
- (b) Prosecutions were brought on the evidence of private informers.
(i) What advantage was there in bringing evidence against someone? [1]
(ii) How did this lead to some unfair trials? [1]
- (c) Lepidus suggests two ways of punishing Clutorius. What are they? [2]
- (d) How was Clutorius actually punished? [1]
- (e) What did Tiberius think about the Senate's judgement? [1]
- (f) Do you think this passage makes the account of the trial interesting? Give reasons for your views and support them with details from the passage. [4]

[Total: 12]

Section 2. Answer **one** question from this section.

Either 1 Tacitus says that Sejanus was the cause of everything that went wrong in Tiberius' reign.

Do you agree that it was all Sejanus' fault or do you think that Tiberius was responsible too?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from *Empire and Emperors*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- whether Tiberius was a good ruler before Sejanus came along
- how Sejanus got so much power
- what kind of person you think Tiberius was
- what made Tiberius trust Sejanus so much
- how Tiberius behaved when he discovered the truth about Sejanus. [16]

Or 2 Do you think Tacitus has written a good history book in his story of the reigns of Augustus and Tiberius?

Give reasons for your views and support them with details from *Empire and Emperors*.

In your answer you might discuss for example:

- whether Tacitus gives good details in his stories
- whether he gives just one version of a story or suggests other ones sometimes
- whether you think he chooses important or interesting things to tell us about
- what you think about the way he tells the stories. [16]

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