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CLASSICAL
STUDIES
INTERMEDIATE 2

Answer Section A **and** Section B.

75 marks are allocated to this paper.



SECTION A

Answer any seven questions from Section A.

Each question is allocated 5 marks.

Classical Drama—Sophocles, *Oedipus the King*

1. Creon: We had a king, sir, before you came to lead us. His name was Laius.
- (a) What does Creon tell Oedipus about the former king, Laius? 2
- (b) What does Oedipus set out to do and why? 3
2. Jocasta: No one can predict the future and I have proof. (5)
- What is Jocasta's proof that no one can predict the future? (5)
3. Messenger: I come from Corinth with news for Oedipus.
- (a) What news did the messenger bring from Corinth? 1
- (b) What does the messenger go on to tell Oedipus about his past? 4
- (5)

Roman Archaeology and Civilisation

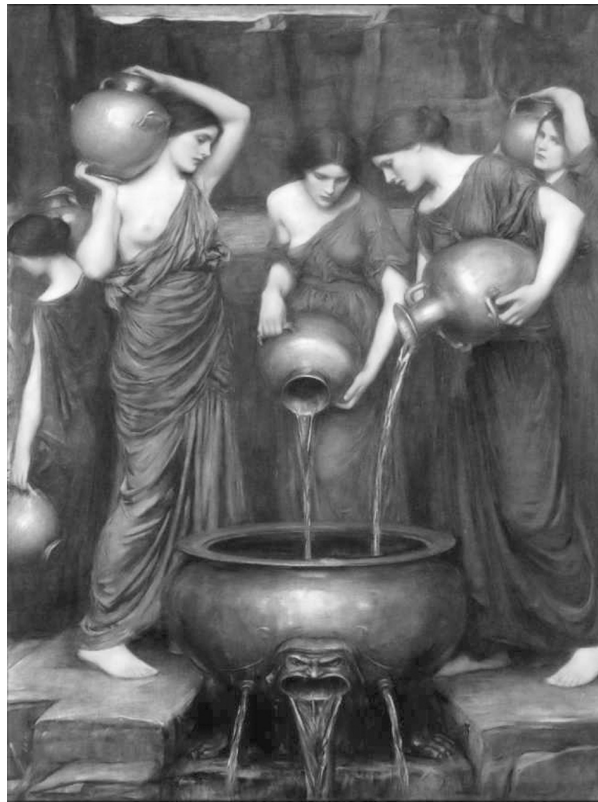
4. "The centre of a Roman town was the forum."
Describe the features and buildings found in a forum in a typical Roman town. (5)
5. "The Romans enjoyed a visit to the theatre."
Describe the features of a typical Roman theatre. (5)
6. "Archaeologists do more than just dig."
What techniques do archaeologists use to find out about Roman Britain apart from digging? (5)

Classical Mythology

7. "Zeus grew jealous of Prometheus and the men he had made."
Give more details of the myth from which this extract comes. (5)

SECTION A (continued)

8. Study the picture below.



Give details of the myth shown in the picture.

(5)

9. Study the picture of Heracles below.



Give more details of the myth shown in the picture.

(5)

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SECTION B

Answer four questions from Section B—one from each topic and **one** other from any topic.

Each question is allocated 10 marks.

Classical Drama—Sophocles, *Oedipus the King*

1. Describe in what ways the play ends for Jocasta **and** Oedipus. Do you think they could have escaped this fate? (10)
2. Do you think Creon was a good friend to Oedipus?
Give reasons for your answer. (10)

Roman Archaeology and Civilisation

3. Were the advantages of Roman rule for the people of Britain greater than the disadvantages? (10)
4. What information can archaeologists obtain from human remains such as skeletons? (10)

Classical Mythology

5. Explain how, according to classical mythology, the universe grew out of Chaos and was eventually ruled by gods. (10)
6. Something which is desirable but out of reach is said to “tantalise” and a pointless or never-ending task is sometimes described as “Sisyphean”.
Using your knowledge of classical mythology, explain the origins of these two terms. (10)

[END OF QUESTION PAPER]

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