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MONDAY, 2 JUNE  
1.00 PM – 2.30 PM

CLASSICAL  
STUDIES  
INTERMEDIATE 1

Answer **Section A** and **Section B**.

50 marks are allocated to this paper.



SECTION A

Marks

Answer only five questions from Section A.

**Classical Drama—Sophocles, *Oedipus the King***

1. Oedipus: I will fight for him as if he were my father.  
I will stop at nothing to find the killer of Laius.
- (a) Give **one** reason why Oedipus was keen to find the killer of Laius. 1
- (b) What actions did Oedipus take to find the killer of Laius? 3  
(4)
2. Oedipus: I am cursed because of my birth.
- What did Oedipus learn about the members of his family when he found out who killed Laius? (4)

**Roman Archaeology and Civilisation**

3. “In 410 AD, the Romans abandoned the province of Britain.”
- (a) In what ways might the people living in Roman Britain be happy to see the end of Roman rule? 2
- (b) In what ways might they be worried about the end of Roman rule? 2  
(4)
4. “Museums should be exciting places to visit.”
- Describe how you would make a museum exhibition about the Romans attractive. (4)

**Classical Mythology**

5. (a) Who won in the fight between Uranus and Cronos? 1
- (b) Why had Uranus and Cronos fought with each other? 3  
(4)
6. “The Underworld shows how cruel the gods could be.”
- Which characters in the Underworld do you feel were treated too cruelly?  
You may choose one or more than one.
- Explain your choice. (4)

## SECTION B

Marks

Answer all questions in Section B.

### Classical Drama—Sophocles, *Oedipus the King*

1. (a) Why did Oedipus deserve support from Creon throughout the play?  
Give reasons for your answer. 2
- (b) Why did Oedipus **not** deserve support from Creon throughout the play?  
Give reasons for your answer. 3
2. At the end of the play do you feel sorry for Oedipus or not?  
Give reasons for your answer. 5  
(10)

### Roman Archaeology and Civilisation

3. Romans often recruited Britons to serve in the army, and many joined. Would you have joined?  
Give reasons for your answer. You can give reasons both for **and** against joining in your answer. 5
4. What makes archaeology an attractive career?  
Give reasons for your answer. 5  
(10)

### Classical Mythology

5. (a) In what ways was Prometheus punished? 2
- (b) Why was Prometheus punished? 3
6. Describe briefly the journey that the soul of a dead person made to the Underworld. Describe features and characters met on the way. 5  
(10)

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