

CLASSICAL TRIPOS Part II Group D Archaeology

Tuesday 13 June 2006 9 to 12

Paper D1

AEGEAN PREHISTORY

Answer three questions.

Credit will be given for relevant plans and sketches.

Candidates who do not write legibly may find themselves at a grave disadvantage.

Irrelevance will be penalised.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS 20 Page Booklet x 1 Rough Work Pad x 1 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS None

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator

- 1 'Schliemann was more a looter than an archaeologist.' Discuss.
- 2 Is there evidence for social differentiation in the Late and Final Neolithic on the mainland?
- 3 Either How far does the evidence allow us to talk of an 'international spirit' in the EB II Aegean?

Or Outline Renfrew's model for the 'emergence of civilization' in the Aegean. How well does the model explain the evidence?

- 4 Compare and contrast the functions of palaces in Protopalatial and Neopalatial Crete.
- 5 Does the 'Versailles effect' adequately explain the Minoanization of the Aegean islands?
- 6 Did Cretan interactions with the Near East change during the Protopalatial and Neopalatial periods?
- Was lavish burial always used as a means of legitimating status in the Aegean Bronze Age?
- 8 Was trade centrally important to the mainland Mycenaean palace economies?
- 9 Either 'For LH IIIB at least, Mycenaean archaeology is an historical archaeology.' Discuss.

Or Can we understand the workings of the Mycenaean social and political system in the Aegean from the Linear B tablets?

- 10 Can 'natural disasters' be used as the main explanation for the collapse of the Mycenaean palace system?
- 11 Is it justifiable to claim that there is 'more continuity than change' in the aftermath of the Mycenaean period?
- 12 Can we learn anything about the Bronze Age from Homeric epic?
- Evaluate the use of iconography as an archaeological source in one period of your choice.
- Discuss the archaeological significance of three of the following sites:
 - (a) Gla

(d) Lerna

(b) Ulu Burun

(e) Kolonna

(c) Franchthi

(f) Myrtos Phournou Koriphi