



CLASSICAL GREEK AND ROMAN STUDIES STANDARD LEVEL PAPER 1

SCHOOL BASED SYLLABUS

Topic 2: Greek and Roman Tragedy

Topic 4: War to Peace in Augustan Rome and Empire

Friday 2 November 2012 (morning)

1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not turn over this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Section A: answer one question.
- Section B: answer one question.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is [40 marks].

SECTION A

Greek and Roman Tragedy

Answer **one** question from this section. You should refer to each of the following plays in your answer: Euripides: Electra, Trojan Women; Seneca: Phaedra.

- 1. Compare and contrast the extent to which Euripides and Seneca portray their characters as victims of forces beyond their control, in **each** of the three plays you have read. [20 marks]
- 2. "Tragedy enables us to confront the worst aspects of human nature." To what extent does this view apply to **each** of the three plays you have read? [20 marks]

SECTION B

War to Peace in Augustan Rome and Empire

Answer **one** question from this section.

- 3. Evaluate the effectiveness of the strategies used by Augustus after his victory at Actium in 31 BCE, and up to 23 BCE, to consolidate his power. [20 marks]
- 4. To what extent did Augustus' reforms improve the quality of life across the Empire? [20 marks]