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GCSE (9–1) Classical Greek

J292/01 Language

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes
plus your additional time allowance**

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a dictionary

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INSTRUCTIONS

Use black ink.

Write your answer to each question in the space provided. You can use extra paper if you need to, but you must clearly show your candidate number, the centre number and the question numbers.

Section A: Answer Questions 1–10 and EITHER Question 11 OR Question 12.

Section B: Answer ALL the questions.

INFORMATION

The total mark for this paper is 100.

The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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Answer BOTH Section A AND Section B.

SECTION A

**Answer Questions 1–10 and EITHER
Question 11 OR Question 12.**

Read Passage 1 and answer the questions.

Passage 1

**Oedipus blinds himself after
discovering the horrible truth about his
identity.**

ἡ Ἰοκάστη ἐπίστευσεν ὅτι ὁ υἱός,
Οἰδίπους ὀνόματι, ἀποκτενεῖ τὸν
πατέρα. ἔλιπεν οὖν τὸν παῖδα
ἐν ὄρεσιν ὡς ἀποθανούμενον.
ἀλλὰ ποιμὴν εὐρών αὐτὸν ἔδωκε
βασιλεῖ τινι ὃς ἐν ἄλλῃ χώρᾳ ὥκει.

5

μετὰ δὲ πόλλα ἔτη ξένος οὐκ
ἔφη τὸν Οἰδίποδα εἰδέναι τὸν
ἀληθῆ πατέρα. ὁ οὖν Οἰδίπους
εἰς τοσοῦτον ὠργίσθη ὥστε 10
ἀπελθὼν ἐφόνευσε γέροντά
τινα πορευόμενον μετὰ ὀλίγων
φίλων. ἔπειτα μέντοι ἀφικόμενος
εἰς Θήβας ἔσωσε τοὺς ἐνοίκους
ἐκ κινδύνου καὶ ἐδέξατο τὴν 15
Ἰοκάστην ὥς γυναῖκα.

πολὺν δὲ χρόνον ἐνόμιζον εἶναι
εὐτυχεῖς. τέλος δὲ ὁ ποιμὴν ἀπὸ
τῶν ἀγρῶν ἐλθὼν ἡγγειλεν ὅτι
ὁ γέρων ἦν ὁ τοῦ Οἰδίποδος 20
πάτηρ. ἡ μὲν οὖν Ἰοκάστη
ἑαυτὴν ἀπέκτεινεν· ὁ δὲ Οἰδίπους
ἐτρούπησε τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς ἵνα
μηδέποτε ἴδῃ τί ποιήσαι.

NAMES

Ἰοκάστη, Ἰοκάστης, ἡ	Jocasta (Queen of Thebes)
Οἰδίπους, Οἰδίποδος, ὁ	Oedipus
Θῆβαι, Θηβῶν, αἱ	Thebes (a city in Greece)

WORDS

ποιμήν, ποιμένος, ὁ	shepherd
τρυπάω	I pierce
ὄφθαλμός, ὄφθαλμοῦ, ὁ	eye

- 1 ἡ Ἰοκάστη ... τὸν πατέρα (lines 1–3):
what did Jocasta believe that Oedipus
would do?

[1]

**2 ἔλιπεν ... ἀποθανούμενον (lines 3–4):
what did Jocasta do to Oedipus?**

[2]

**3 ἀλλὰ ποιμήν ... χώρα ὥκει (lines 5–6):
to whom did a shepherd give Oedipus
after he found him?**

[2]

**4 μετὰ ... πατέρα (lines 7–9): what did a
foreigner say one day about Oedipus?**

[2]

5 ὁ οὖν Οἰδίπους ... φίλων (lines 9–13):

(a) how did Oedipus feel when he heard the stranger's words?

_____ [1]

(b) give TWO details about the old man who was murdered by Oedipus.

1 _____

2 _____

[2]

6 ἔπειτα ... ὥς γυναῖκα (lines 13–16):
what happened to Oedipus after he saved the inhabitants of Thebes?

_____ [1]

**7 πολὺν δὲ χρόνον ἐνόμιζον εἶναι
εὐτυχεῖς (lines 17–18): what did
Oedipus and Jocasta think for a long
time?**

_____ [1]

**8 τέλος δὲ ... Οἰδίποδος πάτηρ (lines
18–21): from where did the shepherd
come to make his announcement?**

_____ [1]

9 ἢ μὲν οὖν ... ποιήσαι (lines 21–24):

**(a) how did Jocasta react to the
shepherd's news about the old
man?**

_____ [1]

**(b) why did Oedipus blind himself by
piercing his eyes?**

_____ [2]

10 For each of the Greek words below, give ONE English word which has been derived from the Greek word and give the meaning of the ENGLISH word.

One has been done for you.

Greek Word: χρόνον

English Word: chronology

Meaning of English Word:
arrangement of events according to time

Greek Word: παῖδα

English Word: _____

Meaning of English Word:

[2]

Greek Word: ξένος

English Word: _____

Meaning of English Word:

[2]

**Answer EITHER Question 11 OR
Question 12.**

11 Answer the following questions based on part of the story you have already read.

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ἔφη τὸν Οἰδίποδα εἰδέναι τὸν
ἀληθῆ πατέρα. ὁ οὖν Οἰδίπους
εἰς τοσοῦτον ὠργίσθη ὥστε
ἀπελθὼν ἐφόνευσε γέροντά

5

τινα πορευόμενον μετὰ ὀλίγων
φίλων. ἔπειτα μέντοι ἀφικόμενος
εἰς Θήβας ἔσωσε τοὺς ἐνοίκους
ἐκ κινδύνου καὶ ἐδέξατο τὴν
Ἰοκάστην ὡς γυναῖκα.

10

πολὺν δὲ χρόνον ἐνόμιζον εἶναι
εὐτυχεῖς. τέλος δὲ ὁ ποιμὴν ἀπὸ

τῶν ἀγρῶν ἐλθὼν ἤγγειλεν ὅτι ὁ
γέρον ἦν ὁ τοῦ Οἰδίποδος πάτηρ.

NAMES

Οἰδίπους, Οἰδίποδος, ὁ
Θῆβαι, Θεβῶν, αἱ

Oedipus
Thebes (a city in
Greece)

Ἰοκάστη, Ἰοκάστης, ἡ

Jocasta (Queen
of Thebes)

WORDS

ποιμήν, ποιμένος, ὁ

shepherd

(a) Identify the **GENDER** of πόλλα
(line 1).

_____ [1]

(b) Pick out a **PREPOSITION** in line 2
AND state what **CASE** it is followed
by.

_____ [2]

(c) Identify the CASE of κινδύνου (line 9) AND explain why this case is used here.

_____ [2]

(d) Pick out a FEMININE word in the first paragraph.

_____ [1]

(e) Pick out a word in the GENITIVE case in lines 11–12.

_____ [1]

(f) Identify the TENSE and PERSON of ἤγγειλεν (line 13).

_____ [2]

(g) Identify the TENSE of ἦν (line 14).

_____ [1]

Do NOT answer Question 12 if you have already answered Question 11.

12 Translate the following English sentences into Greek.

(a) Were they admiring the goddess?

_____ **[3]**

(b) The young men hid the book.

_____ **[3]**

(c) We are not always drinking wine.

_____ **[4]**

SECTION B

Answer ALL the questions.

Read the passage and answer the questions.

At first Pelopidas and Epaminondas react differently to the invasion of Thebes, but they eventually work together.

Πελοπίδας καὶ Ἐπαμεινώνδας
μάλιστα ἐφίλουν ἀλλήλους. τῶν
δὲ Λακεδαιμονίων εἰς τὰς Θήβας
εἰσβαλόντων, ὁ μὲν Πελοπίδας
λάθρᾳ ἐκ τοῦ λιμένος ἀπέπλευσεν. 5
ὁ δὲ Ἐπαμεινώνδας ἔμενεν ἐν
τῇ πόλει ἐθέλων ἀποδοῦναι τὸν
βίον. ἔπειθε δὲ τοὺς τῶν Θηβαίων
νεανίας παρασκευάζειν τὰ
σώματα πολέμῳ. 10

ἀλλὰ ἔδοξεν τῷ Πελοπίδᾳ ἀπόντι
ἐπανελθεῖν καὶ τοὺς Θηβαίους
τοὺς τοῖς Λακεδαιμονίοις
βοηθοῦντας ἀποκτεῖναι ἐν
ἐορτῇ. χειμῶνος οὖν ἄνδρας 15
τινὰς συλλέξας ἤτησε τὸν
Ἐπαμεινώνδαν μεθ' ἑαυτοῦ
μάχεσθαι. ὁ δὲ οὕτω δίκαιος ἦν
ὥστε οὐκ ἔφη ἄξιον τῆς τιμῆς
εἶναι φόνευσαι τοὺς ἐσθιοντάς τε 20
καὶ πίνοντας. ἐπεὶ δὲ εἶδεν αὐτοὺς
εἰσελθόντας εἰς τὴν πόλιν καὶ εὖ
μαχομένους, ἐκάλεσε τοὺς νεανίας
ἐτοίμους ὄντας καὶ ἅμα ἔλυσαν
τὰς Θήβας. 25

NAMES

Πελοπίδας, Πελοπίδου, ὁ	Pelopidas
Ἐπαμεινώνδας,	Epaminondas
Ἐπαμεινώνδου, ὁ	Thebes (a city
Θῆβαι, Θηβῶν, αἱ	in Greece)
Θηβαῖοι, Θηβαίων, οἱ	the Thebans,
	people of
	Thebes

WORDS

ἀλλήλους, ἀλλήλας,	each other
ἄλληλα	I return
ἐπανέρχομαι	festival
ἐορτή, ἐορτῆς, ἡ	together
ἅμα	

13 Πελοπίδας καὶ Ἐπαμεινώνδας
μάλιστα ἐφίλουν ἀλλήλους (lines 1–2):
what does this tell us about Pelopidas
and Epaminondas?

[2]

14 τῶν δὲ ... ἀπέπλευσεν (lines 2–5): what did Pelopidas do after the invasion of Thebes?

_____ [2]

15 ὁ δὲ Ἐπαμεινώνδας ... τὸν βίον (lines 6–8):

(a) what did Epaminondas do?

_____ [1]

(b) why did he do this?

_____ [2]

16 ἔπειθε ... πολέμῳ (lines 8–10): who did Epaminondas persuade to prepare their bodies for war?

_____ [1]

**17 ἄλλὰ ... ἐν ἐορτῇ (lines 11–15):
Pelopidas decided to return to Thebes.
Which Thebans did he then plan to kill
during a festival?**

_____ [2]

**18 χειμῶνος ... μάχεσθαι (lines 15–18):
what did Pelopidas do during the
winter?**

_____ [4]

19 ὁ δὲ οὕτω ... πίνοντας (lines 18–21):

**(a) write down AND translate the
GREEK word which describes the
character of Epaminondas. [2]**

Greek word	English translation

(b) what did Epaminondas say about the plan to kill people who were eating and drinking?

_____ **[2]**

20 ἐπεὶ δὲ ... τὰς Θήβας (lines 21–25):

(a) how are the men who were called by Epaminondas described?

_____ **[1]**

(b) what did Pelopidas and Epaminondas succeed in doing together?

_____ **[1]**

Read the rest of the story.

Years later the Thebans attempt to rescue Pelopidas from the King of Thessaly.

ὕστερον δὲ Πελοπίδας ἐλήφθη
ὑπὸ τοῦ τῆς Θεσσαλίας βασιλέως.
στρατιὰ οὖν ἐπέμφθη ἀλλὰ οὕτω
κακοὶ ἦσαν οἱ στρατηγοὶ ὥστε
ἠναγκάσθησαν ἀναχωρῆσαι.

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καὶ ἔχοντες οὐδένα σῖτον οἱ
στρατιῶται δεινῶς ἔπρασσον·
πάντες δὲ ἀπέθανον ἂν, εἰ ὁ
Ἐπαμεινώνδας μὴ ἤγαγεν αὐτοὺς
ἀσφαλῶς οἴκαδε.

10

ἐν δὲ ταῖς Θήβαις ὁ Ἐπαμεινώνδας
τοῖς πολίταις εἶπε τάδε· “ἐὰν μὴ
λύσωμεν τὸν Πελοπίδαν, ἔσται

αἰσχρόν. οὗτος γὰρ πολλάκις
ἔσωσεν ὑμᾶς ἐν κινδύνῳ ὄντας. 15
ἔπεσθε οὖν μοι ἵνα κτήσησθε τὴν
τίμην.”

οἱ δὲ Θηβαῖοι αὐτῷ πειθόμενοι
ὑπέσχοντο πορεύσεσθαι ἐπὶ τὴν
Θεσσαλίαν. ὁ μὲντοι βασιλεὺς 20
φοβούμενος πόλεμον καὶ τὸ
ὄνομα τὸ τοῦ Ἐπαμεινώνδου
εὐθὺς ἀπέδωκε τὸν Πελοπίδαν.
οὗτος δὲ ἄγγειλας ποῖα πάθοι
αὐθις προσέβαλε τῷ βασιλεῖ, ἀλλὰ 25
μαχούμενος ἀπέθανεν.

NAMES

Πελοπίδας, Πελοπίδου, ὁ
Θεσσαλία, Θεσσαλίας, ἡ

Pelopidas
Thessaly
(a region
of northern
Greece)

Ἐπαμεινώνδας,
Ἐπαμεινώνδου, ὁ
Θῆβαι, Θηβῶν, αἱ

Epaminondas
Thebes (a city
in Greece)
the Thebans,
people of
Thebes

Θηβαῖοι, Θηβαίων, οἱ

WORDS

οἶκαδε

home,
homewards
I hand over,
I give back

ἀποδίδωμι, aor. ἀπεδωκα

[illegible]

[illegible]

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