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AS Level Ancient History

H007/02 The Julio-Claudian Emperors, 31 BC–AD 68

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet
(OCR12 sent with general stationery)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Answer **all** the questions in **Section A** and **one** question in **Section B**.
- Complete the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Write your answers in the Answer Booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **60**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of **4** pages.

SECTION A

Answer **all** the questions in this section.

1 Explain the methods Augustus used to secure a successor. [10]

2 Read the following passages.

Not a day, however holy, passed without an execution; he even desecrated the beginning of the new year. Many men were accused and condemned with their children – some actually by their children – and the relatives forbidden to go into mourning. Special awards were voted to the informers who had denounced them, and in certain circumstances to the witnesses too. An informer's word was always believed. Every crime became a capital one; even the utterance of a few careless words.

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Suetonius, *The Twelve Caesars*, Tiberius 61

But this was a tainted, meanly obsequious age. The greatest figures had to protect their positions by subserviency; and, in addition to them, all ex-consuls, most ex-praetors, even many junior senators competed with each other's offensively sycophantic proposals. There is a tradition that whenever Tiberius left the senate-house he exclaimed in Greek, 'Men fit to be slaves!' Even he, freedom's enemy, became impatient of such abject servility.

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Tacitus, *The Annals of Imperial Rome* 3.65

On the basis of these passages and other sources you have studied, how far do you agree that Tiberius' reign was one of terror and suspicion? [20]

SECTION B

Answer **one** question from this section.

3* How reliable are the portrayals of Gaius and Nero in the ancient sources?

You must use and analyse the ancient sources you have studied as well as supporting your answer with your own knowledge. **[30]**

4* 'Assassination was the only way to get rid of an emperor.' How far do you agree with this statement?

You must use and analyse the ancient sources you have studied as well as supporting your answer with your own knowledge. **[30]**

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