

**Modified Enlarged 24pt**  
**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**

**Monday 18 May 2020 – Afternoon**

**A Level Classical Civilisation**

**H408/23 Invention of the Barbarian**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes  
plus your additional time allowance**

**YOU MUST HAVE:**  
**the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet**

**READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF**



# **INSTRUCTIONS**

**Use black ink.**

**Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.**

**Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.**

**Answer ALL the questions in Section A and ONE question in Section B.**

# **INFORMATION**

**The total mark for this paper is 75.**

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

**Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).**

# **ADVICE**

**Read each question carefully before you start your answer.**

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## **SECTION A**

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

**SOURCE A: Scene from the Frieze of the Temple of Apollo at Bassae**

- 1 SOURCE A opposite depicts a battle between two sides. Who is fighting whom? [2]**
  
- 2 Explain how the portrayal of the two sides in SOURCE A demonstrates the way the Greeks viewed themselves as different from others. [10]**





## **SOURCE B: Euripides 'Medea' 511–526**

- 3 Name the city where the play in SOURCE B opposite is set. [1]**
- 4 'What help you gave me' (line 1). Give TWO ways that Medea claimed to have 'helped' Jason. [2]**
- 5 Explain how Euripides portrays the advantages of Greek civilisation in SOURCE B. [10]**
- 6\* Evaluate the ways in which the Greeks considered themselves superior to barbarians. You may use SOURCE A and/or SOURCE B as a starting point in your answer. You should use BOTH written and visual sources in your answer. [20]**

**[Section A Total: 45]**

What help you gave me I am grateful for.

But in return for saving me, you gained  
More than you gave, as I will demonstrate.

First: the country that you left is primitive, but now

You live in Greece. You now know what Justice means,

Enjoy the benefits of Law, not the rule of force.

All Greece has come to know your talents: you are famous.

If you still lived at the end of the world,

No one would mention you. As far as I'm concerned,

I wouldn't pray for gold or skill

To sing better than Orpheus, if these did not

Bring me celebrity.

So much about my exploits, in answer to your challenge.

As for your spiteful words about my marriage with the princess,

I'll show you that what I've done is wise and prudent;

And I've acted out of love for you

And for *my* sons.

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## **SECTION B**

**Answer ONE of the following questions.**

**Use classical sources, and secondary sources, scholars and/or academic works to support your argument. You should also consider possible interpretations of sources by different audiences.**

**EITHER**

**7\* ‘Herodotus’ portrayal of the Persians is entirely incorrect.’ Explain how far you agree with this statement and justify your response. [30]**



**OR**

**8\* 'In 'The Persians', Aeschylus tells us more about the Greek world than about the Persian world.' Explain how far you agree with this statement and justify your response. [30]**

**[Section B Total: 30]**

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