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AS GCE CLASSICS: CLASSICAL CIVILISATION

F381/01 Archaeology: Mycenae and the classical world



Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

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

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Complete the boxes on the Answer Booklet with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Start your answer to each question on a new page.
- Write the number of each question answered in the margin.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- In this paper you are encouraged to use diagrams, sketches etc., where appropriate, to illustrate your answers.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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Answer **one** question from Section A and **one** question from Section B.

SECTION A – Commentary Questions

Answer **either** Question 1 **or** Question 2.

Marks are awarded in parts (b) and (c) of Questions 1 and 2 for the quality of written communication in your answer.

1 Study the photograph and answer the questions.



The Warrior Vase from Mycenae

(a) The photograph shows the Warrior Vase from Mycenae. Describe some **other** Mycenaean artefacts made of pottery/clay. You should include details from **at least four different** artefacts in your answer. **[10]**

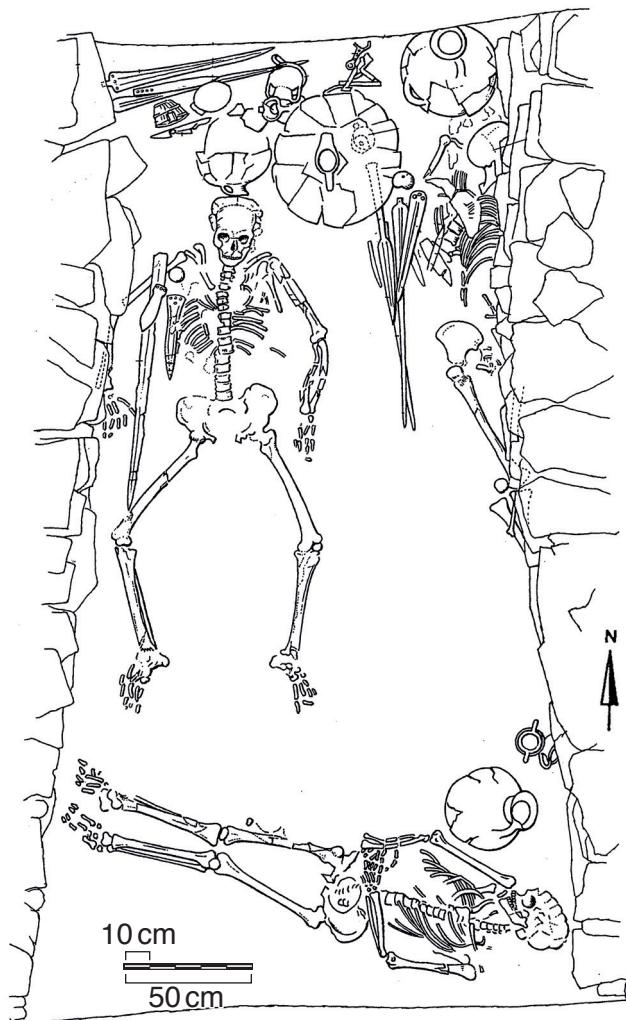
(b) Using the Warrior Vase as a starting point, discuss how complete a picture of Mycenaean weapons and armour we have. In your answer, you should include discussion of a range of different weapons and armour and the limitations of such evidence. **[20]**

(c) 'All the evidence indicates that Mycenaean society was a warlike society with no interest in anything else.' How far do you agree with this statement? You should support your answer with evidence from specific Mycenaean sites. **[25]**

Do **not** answer this question if you have already answered Question 1.

Marks are awarded in parts (b) and (c) of Questions 1 and 2 for the quality of written communication in your answer.

2 Study the diagram below and answer the questions.



A drawing from Grave Gamma, Mycenae

- (a) Describe what is shown in the diagram above. What other types of diagrams and drawings do archaeologists use? [10]
- (b) Which dating method do you think is the most useful to an archaeologist when dating **organic** remains? In your answer, you should consider a range of different dating methods. [20]
- (c) How useful are organic remains in teaching us about an ancient society? In your answer, you should include discussion of **both** the Mycenaeans **and** any other Classical society which you have studied. [25]

[Section A Total: 55]

SECTION B – Essays

Answer **one** question.

Start your answer on a new page.

Marks are awarded for the quality of written communication in your answer.

3 'Accurate recording of information during an excavation is essential for an archaeologist to understand an archaeological site.' How far do you agree with this opinion?

In your answer, you should:

- consider the different methods of recording information used during an excavation
- discuss the reasons why the accurate recording of information is so important
- support your answer with reference to evidence from Classical sites you have studied. **[45]**

4 Choose **one** Mycenaean or Classical site you have studied. How would **you** present it to the public? What opportunities and challenges would you face?

In your answer, you should:

- consider different methods of presenting a site effectively to the public
- include an analysis of the problems you might encounter
- support your answer with specific detailed evidence from **one** Mycenaean or Classical site. **[45]**

5 Which site do you consider to be the most useful in helping us to understand how ordinary people lived in the ancient world?

In your answer, you should:

- include details from **at least three** sites
- consider what the sites have taught us about the lives of ordinary people
- provide specific detailed evidence from the Classical sites you have studied. **[45]**

[Section B Total: 45]



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