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GCSE (9–1) Ancient History

J198/21 The foundations of Rome

Time allowed: 1 hour



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

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.

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 (*).
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and the use of specialist terminology will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✏).
- This document has **4** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

The foundations of Rome: From kingship to republic, 753–440 BCAnswer **all** the questions.

1 (a) Give **two** reasons why Rome was built where it was. [2]

(b) Identify **one** of Tullus Hostilius' actions which is said to have strengthened Rome. [1]

(c) Name **one** of the battles that the Roman Republic is said to have fought against Tarquinius Superbus. [1]

2 Outline how Numa is said to have changed Rome during his reign. [6]

Passage A

Icilius turned on Appius (Claudius). 'Get rid of me?' Icilius cried; 'only naked steel (a sword) will do it... I am to marry this girl (Verginia)... Call every licitor in the city – let them get out their rods and axes... You have made slaves of us all – you have robbed the people of their right to appeal and of the protection of their tribunes; but that does not mean you have power to lust over our wives and children... I will call upon every man in Rome to defend my bride – Verginius will raise the army on behalf of his daughter – all of us will move heaven and earth to help us, and never shall you get away with the infamous judgement you have given unless you kill us.'

Livy, *The History of Rome* 3.45

3 Using details from **Passage A** and your own knowledge, what can we learn about why Romans opposed Appius and the Second Decemvirate? [10]

4 Using details from **Passage A** and your own knowledge, explain why the plebeians were treated so badly. [15]

5* 'Rome's kings brought peace and good government to their people.' To what extent do you agree with this view? [20]

(Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology [5]

END OF QUESTION PAPER



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