



## ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE

### LATIN

Literature 1 (Commentary)

TACITUS

**2478**

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

**OCR Supplied Materials:**

- 8 page Answer Booklet

**Other Materials Required:**

None

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**Afternoon**

**Duration: 1 hour**



#### INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **both** questions.
- 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.
- Each question is marked out of 60, including 6 marks for quality of written communication.
- Candidates are advised to spend **no more** than 30 minutes on **each** question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **120**.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Answer **both** questions.

### TACITUS

1 Answer the questions on the following passage:

igitur audito fine Augusti vernacula multitudo, nuper acto in urbe dilectu, lasciviae sueta, laborum intolerans, implere ceterorum rudes animos: venisse tempus quo veterani maturam missionem, iuvenes largiora stipendia, cuncti modum miseriarum exposcerent saevitiamque centurionum ulciscerentur. non unus haec, ut Pannonicas inter legiones Percennius, nec apud trepidas militum aures, alios validiores exercitus respicientium, sed multa seditionis ora vocesque: sua in manu sitam rem Romanam, suis victoriis augeri rem publicam, in suum cognomentum adscisci imperatores. 5

nec legatus obviam ibat: quippe plurium vaecordia constantiam exemerat. repente lymphati destrictis gladiis in centuriones invadunt: ea vetustissima militaribus odiis materies et saeviendi principium. prostratos verberibus mulcant, sexagenis singulos, ut numerum centurionum adaequarent: tum convulsos laniatosque et partim exanimos ante vallum aut in amnem Rhenum prociunt. Septimius cum perfugisset ad tribunal pedibusque Caecinae advolveretur, eo usque flagitatus est donec ad exitium dederetur. 10

Tacitus, *Annals* I. 31–32

- (a) (i) In which area of which province are these events happening and who is in overall charge of the legions? [3]
- (ii) According to Tacitus in the lines preceding this passage, why might the soldiers think that this man would encourage their revolt? [6]
- (b) In lines 1–7 (*igitur ... imperatores*), how does Tacitus create a threatening and alarming picture?  
You should make close reference to **both** the content **and** the style of the Latin and support your discussion with **at least four examples** from the text. [30]
- (c) From lines 8–14 (*nec ... dederetur*), summarise the events which take place. [15]

[Quality of Written Communication: 6]

[Total: 54 + 6 = 60]

## TACITUS

## 2 Answer the questions on the following passage:

'non mihi uxor aut filius patre et re publica cariores sunt, sed illum quidem sua  
 maiestas, imperium Romanum ceteri exercitus defendent. coniugem et liberos meos  
 quos pro gloria vestra libens ad exitium offerrem, nunc procul a furentibus summoveo,  
 ut quidquid istud sceleris imminet, meo tantum sanguine pietur, neve occisus Augusti  
 pronepos, interfecta Tiberii nurus nocentiores vos faciant. quid enim per hos dies 5  
 inausum intemeratumve vobis? quod nomen huic coetui dabo? militesne appellem,  
 qui filium imperatoris vestri vallo et armis circumdeditis? an cives, quibus tam  
 proiecta senatus auctoritas? hostium quoque ius et sacra legationis et fas gentium  
 rupistis. divus Iulius seditionem exercitus verbo uno compescuit, Quirites vocando  
 qui sacramentum eius detrectabant: divus Augustus vultu et aspectu Actiacas 10  
 legiones exterruit: nos ut nondum eosdem, ita ex illis ortos si Hispaniae Syriaeve  
 miles aspernaretur, tamen mirum et indignum erat. primane et vicesima legiones,  
 illa signis a Tiberio acceptis, tu tot proeliorum socia, tot praemiis aucta, egregiam  
 duci vestro gratiam refertis? hunc ego nuntium patri laeta omnia aliis e provinciis  
 audienti feram? ipsius tirones, ipsius veteranos non missione, non pecunia satiatos: 15  
 hic tantum interfici centuriones, eici tribunos, includi legatos, infecta sanguine castra,  
 flumina, meque precariam animam inter infensos trahere.'

Tacitus, *Annals* I. 42

- (a) (i) Identify the people referred to as *mihi*, *uxor* and *filius* in line 1. [3]
- (ii) Briefly outline the circumstances in which the speech in this passage is made. [6]
- (b) From lines 1–6 (*non ... dabo*), summarise the points the speaker is making. [15]
- (c) In lines 6–17 (*militesne ... trahere*), how does Tacitus convey the intensity of the speaker's feelings? [30]  
 You should make close reference to **both** the content **and** the style of the Latin and support your discussion with **at least four examples** from the text.

[Quality of Written Communication: 6]

[Total: 54 + 6 = 60]

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