

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

Friday 27 May 2022 – Morning

AS Level Classical Civilisation

H008/22 Imperial Image

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes
plus your additional time allowance**

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

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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 65.

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

Coin: 'Aureus', issued in
43 BC

obv. bare head of
Octavian (Augustus)

INSCRIPTION:
C CAESAR COS PONT
AUG –
Gaius Caesar, consul,
priest of the augurs



rev. head of Julius
Caesar with laurel wreath

INSCRIPTION:
C CAESAR DICT PERP
PONT MAX –
Gaius Caesar, dictator in
perpetuity, pontifex
maximus



- 1 (a) What metal is the coin in SOURCE A made from? [1]**
- (b) Why do you think Octavian (Augustus) decided to issue the coin in SOURCE A in 43 BC?**

Make TWO points. [2]

- 2 Explain how the coin in SOURCE A shows that Octavian (Augustus) and Julius Caesar were BOTH similar AND different.**

Make FOUR points and support each point with reference to SOURCE A. [8]

SOURCE B

Ovid 'Metamorphoses' 15. 816–842

This descendant of yours you suffer over,
Cytherean, has fulfilled his time, and the years he
owes to earth are done. You, and Augustus, his
'son', will ensure that he ascends to heaven as a
god, and is worshipped in the temples. Augustus, 5
as heir to his name, will carry the burden placed
upon him alone, and will have us with him, in battle,
as the most courageous avenger of his father's
murder. Under his command, the conquered walls
of besieged Mutina will sue for peace; Pharsalia 10
will know him; Macedonian Philippi twice flow with
blood; and the one who holds Pompey's great name,
will be defeated in Sicilian waters; and a Roman
general's Egyptian consort, trusting, to her cost, in
their marriage, will fall, her threat that our Capitol 15
would bow to her city of Canopus, proved vain.

Why enumerate foreign countries, for you or
the nations living on either ocean shore? Wherever
earth contains habitable land, it will be his: and even
the sea will serve him! 20

When the world is at peace, he will turn his
mind to the civil code, and, as the most just of
legislators, make law. He will direct morality by his
own example, and, looking to the future ages and
coming generations, he will order a son, Tiberius, 25
born of his virtuous wife, to take his name, and
his responsibilities. He will not attain his heavenly
home, and the stars, his kindred, until he is old,
and his years equal his merits. Meanwhile take
up Caesar's spirit from his murdered corpse, and 30
change it into a star, so that the deified Julius may
always look down from his high temple on our
Capitol and forum.

- 3 Who is 'Cytherean', referred to in line 2 of SOURCE B? [1]**
- 4 Why is Augustus referred to as Julius Caesar's 'son' in line 4 of SOURCE B? [1]**
- 5 Who are the 'Roman General' and his 'Egyptian consort' referred to in lines 13–14 of SOURCE B? [2]**
- 6 Give the name of the 'virtuous wife' referred to in line 26 of SOURCE B. [1]**
- 7 Explain how Ovid in SOURCE B gives a positive image of Augustus.**

Make FOUR points and support each point with reference to SOURCE B. [8]

- 8* Explain how successfully Octavian (Augustus), in his career, used the benefits and avoided the dangers of his association with Julius Caesar.**

You may use SOURCE(S) A AND/OR B as a starting point in your answer. [16]

[SECTION A TOTAL: 40]

SECTION B

Answer ONE of the following questions.

EITHER

- 9* Assess to what extent you agree that Augustus' building programme was the best way for him to give a positive image of himself.**

In your answer, you should consider both visual/ material culture and literary sources. [25]

OR

- 10* 'Most Romans thought that Augustus was the perfect "Pater Patriae".'**

Explain how far the sources you have studied show that this statement is true.

In your answer, you should consider Augustus' success in portraying his role as 'Pater Patriae' to different classes of Roman society. [25]

[SECTION B TOTAL: 25]

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