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EXAMINATION

# Classical Greek Continuers

## General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 3 hours
- Write using black or blue pen
- Answer all questions in the writing booklet provided
- Extra writing booklets are available

**Total marks – 100**

**Section I** Pages 2–4

**40 marks**

- Attempt Questions 1–3
- Allow about 1 hour and 10 minutes for this section

**Section II** Pages 5–7

**40 marks**

- Attempt Questions 4–6
- Allow about 1 hour and 10 minutes for this section

**Section III** Pages 8–9

**20 marks**

- Attempt Question 7
- Allow about 40 minutes for this section

## **Section I — Prescribed Text – Herodotus, Book VI**

**40 marks**

## Attempt Questions 1–3

**Allow about 1 hour and 10 minutes for this section**

Marks

### Question 1 (20 marks)

Translate BOTH extracts into ENGLISH.

(a)

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Χειρωσάμενοι δὲ τὴν Ἐρέτριαν καὶ ἐπι-  
σχόντες ὀλίγας ἡμέρας ἔπλεον ἐς τὴν Ἀττικὴν,  
κατέργοντές τε πολλὸν καὶ δοκέοντες ταῦτα τοὺς  
Ἀθηναίους ποιήσειν, τὰ καὶ τοὺς Ἐρετριέας ἐποίησαν,  
καὶ ἦν γὰρ ὁ Μαραθών ἐπιτηδεώτατον χωρίον τῆς  
Ἀττικῆς ἐνιππεῦσαι καὶ ἀγχοτάτῳ τῆς Ἐρετρίης, ἐς  
τοῦτο σφι κατηγέετο Ἰππίης ὁ Πεισιστράτου.

Ἀθηναῖοι δὲ ὡς ἐπύθοντο ταῦτα, ἐβοήθεον  
καὶ αὐτοὶ ἐς τὸν Μαραθῶνα.

(b)

Κλει-

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σθένης δὲ σιγὴν ποιησάμενος ἔλεξε ἐς μέσον τάδε·  
"Ἄνδρες παιδὸς τῆς ἐμῆς μνηστῆρες, ἐγὼ καὶ πάντας  
" ὑμέας ἐπαινέω, καὶ πᾶσιν ὑμῖν, εἰ οἶόν τε εἴη, χαρι-  
" ζοίμην ἂν, μήτ' ἔνα ὑμέων ἔξαίρετον ἀποκρίνων μήτε  
" τοὺς λοιποὺς ἀποδοκιμάζων· ἀλλ' οὐ γὰρ οἵα τέ ἐστι  
" μιῆς πέρι παρθένου βουλεύοντα πᾶσι κατὰ νόον  
" ποιέειν, τοῖσι μὲν ὑμέων ἀπελαυνομένοισι τοῦδε τοῦ  
" γάμου τάλαντον ἀργυρίου ἐκάστῳ δωρεὴν δίδωμι  
" τῆς ἀξιώσιος εἴνεκεν τῆς ἐξ ἐμεῦ γῆμαι καὶ τῆς  
" ἐξ οἴκου ἀποδημίης, τῷ δὲ Ἀλκμαίωνος Μεγακλέϊ  
" ἐγγυῶ παῖδα τὴν ἐμὴν Ἀγαρίστην νόμοισι τοῖσι  
" Ἀθηναίων." Φαμένου δὲ ἐγγυᾶσθαι Μεγακλέος  
ἐκεκύρωτο ὁ γάμος Κλεισθένεϊ.

**Question 2** (10 marks)

Read the extract, then answer the questions that follow. Use the extract and your knowledge of the text in your answers.

"Ἐν σοὶ νῦν, Καλλίμαχε, ἐστὶ ἡ καταδουλῶσαι  
 "Ἀθήνας ἡ ἐλευθέρας ποιήσαντα μνημόσυνα λιπέσθαι  
 "ἐξ τὸν ἄπαντα ἀνθρώπων βίον, οἷα οὐδὲ Ἀρμόδιος  
 "τε καὶ Ἀριστογείτων λείπουσι. νῦν γὰρ δὴ, ἐξ οὗ  
 "ἐγένοντο Ἀθηναῖοι, ἐξ κίνδυνον ἥκουσι μέγιστον. καὶ  
 "ἢν μέν γε ὑποκύψωσι τοῖσι Μήδοισι, δέδοκται τὰ  
 "πείσονται παραδεδομένοι Ἰππίῃ, ἢν δὲ περιγένηται  
 "αὕτη ἡ πόλις, οἵη τέ ἐστι πρώτη τῶν Ἑλληνίδων  
 "πολίων γενέσθαι..."

"ταῦτα ὥν πάντα ἐξ σὲ νῦν τείνει καὶ ἐκ  
 "σέο ἥρτηται· ἢν γὰρ σὺ γνώμῃ τῇ ἐμῇ προσθῇ, ἔστι  
 "τοι πατρίς τε ἐλευθέρη καὶ πόλις πρώτη τῶν ἐν τῇ  
 "Ἑλλάδι, ἢν δὲ τὴν τῶν ἀποσπευδόντων τὴν συμ-  
 "βολὴν ἔλῃ, ὑπάρξει τοι τῶν ἐγὼ κατέλεξα ἀγαθῶν  
 "τὰ ἐνοντία."

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| (a) Identify the speaker.                                      | 1 |
| (b) Explain briefly why the speaker is addressing Callimachus. | 2 |
| (c) Explain the official role and duties of Callimachus.       | 3 |
| (d) Assess the use of rhetorical features in this speech.      | 4 |

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In Question 3 you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate an understanding of the prescribed text
  - present a sustained, logical and well-structured answer to the question
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**Marks**

**Question 3** (10 marks)

Choose ONE of the following questions. Write an essay of two or three pages in length.

- (a) ‘While he keeps the gods themselves offstage, Herodotus goes out of his way to implicate them in significant historical events.’ (James Romm) **10**

Examine the way in which Herodotus introduces divine elements in the events described in Book VI.

**OR**

- (b) The Athenian victory at Marathon has been accounted as a miracle in the Hellenic world. **10**

Discuss how the leadership style of the Greeks and the Persians in Herodotus Book VI contributed to the Athenian victory at Marathon.

## Section II — Prescribed Text – Euripides, *Medea*

**40 marks**

**Attempt Questions 4–6**

**Allow about 1 hour and 10 minutes for this section**

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<b>Question 4</b> (20 marks)		
	Translate BOTH extracts into ENGLISH.	
(a)	Kρ. δέδοικά σ’—ούδὲν δεῖ παραμπίσχειν λόγους— μή μοί τι δράσῃς παῖδ’ ἀνήκεστον κακόν. συμβάλλεται δὲ πολλὰ τοῦδε δείματος: σοφὴ πέφυκας καὶ κακῶν πολλῶν ἕδρις, λυπῇ δὲ λέκτρων ἀνδρὸς ἐστερημένη. κλύω δ’ ἀπειλεῖν σ’, ὡς ἀπαγγέλλουσί μοι, τὸν δόντα καὶ γήμαντα καὶ γαμουμένην δράσειν τι. ταῦτ’ οὖν πρὶν παθεῖν φυλάξομαι.	<b>6</b>
(b)	Aγ. ἦ δ’ ὡς ἐσεῖδε κόσμον, οὐκ ἡνέσχετο, ἀλλ’ ἦνεσ’ ἀνδρὶ πάντα, καὶ πρὶν ἐκ δόμων μακρὰν ἀπεῖναι πατέρα καὶ παῖδας, [σέθεν] λαβοῦσα πέπλους ποικίλους ἡμπέσχετο, χρυσοῦν τε θεῖσα στέφανον ἀμφὶ βοστρύχοις λαμπρῷ κατόπτρῳ σχηματίζεται κόμην, ἄψυχον εἰκὼ προσγελῶσα σώματος. κάπειτ’ ἀναστᾶσ’ ἐκ θρόνων διέρχεται στέγας, ἀβρὸν βαίνουσα παλλεύκῳ ποδί, δώροις ὑπερχαίρουσα, πολλὰ πολλάκις τένοντ’ ἐς ὄρθὸν ὅμμασι σκοπουμένη. τοὺνθένδε μέντοι δεινὸν ἦν θέαμ’ ἵδεῖν· χροιὰν γὰρ ἀλλάξασα λεχρία πάλιν χωρεῖ τρέμουσα κῶλα καὶ μόλις φθάνει θρόνοισιν ἐμπεσοῦσα μὴ χαμαὶ πεσεῖν.	<b>14</b>

**Question 5** (10 marks)

Read the extract, then answer the questions that follow. Use the extract and your knowledge of the text in your answers.

ΙΑΣΩΝ τὸν σὸν δ' ἀλάστορ' εἰς ἔμ' ἔσκηψαν θεοί·  
 κτανοῦσα γὰρ δὴ σὸν κάσιν παρέστιον  
 τὸ καλλίπρωφον εἰσέβης Ἀργοῦς σκάφος.  
 ἥρξω μὲν ἐκ τοιῶνδε· νυμφευθεῖσα δὲ  
 παρ' ἀνδρὶ τῷδε καὶ τεκοῦσά μοι τέκνα,  
 εύνῆς ἔκατι καὶ λέχους σφ' ἀπώλεσας.  
 οὐκ ἔστιν ἥτις τοῦτ' ἄν Ἑλληνὶς γυνὴ  
 ἔτλη ποθ', ὃν γε πρόσθεν ἡξίουν ἐγὼ  
 γῆμαι σέ, κῆδος ἐχθρὸν ὀλέθριόν τ' ἐμοί,  
 λέαιναν, οὐ γυναῖκα, τῆς Τυρσηνίδος  
 Σκύλλης ἔχουσαν ἀγριωτέραν φύσιν.  
 ἀλλ' οὐ γὰρ ἄν σε μυρίοις ὀνείδεσι  
 δάκοιμι· τοιόνδ' ἐμπέφυκέ σοι θράσος·  
 ἔρρ', αἰσχροποιὲ καὶ τέκνων μιατφόνε·

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| (a) Explain why Jason mentions Σκύλλης.   | 2 |
| (b) There is a better known version of the death of Medea's brother than the version used in this extract. Account for Euripides' choice of this different version. | 3 |
| (c) Analyse Euripides' use of abusive language in the extract.  | 5 |

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In Question 6 you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate an understanding of the prescribed text
  - present a sustained, logical and well-structured answer to the question
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**Marks**

**Question 6** (10 marks)

Choose ONE of the following questions. Write an essay of two or three pages in length.

- (a) Euripides does no more than make Jason a contemptible character whose only emotion is hatred. With reference to this statement, analyse the character of Jason in the play *Medea*. **10**

**OR**

- (b) Greek tragedy thrives on tragic situations. Analyse the situations in Euripides' *Medea* that make *Medea* a powerful tragedy. **10**

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### Section III — Unseen Texts

**20 marks**

**Attempt Question 7**

**Allow about 40 minutes for this section**

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Question 7 (20 marks)	Marks
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Translate BOTH extracts into ENGLISH.

- (a) **Hecuba reminds Odysseus how she saved him at Troy:** 8

*'Remember when you came to Troy as a spy, dressed in vile rags, and, from your eyes, drops of blood trickled down your cheeks.'*

ΟΔΥΣΣΕΥΣ

οἰδ᾽· οὐ γὰρ ἄκρας καρδίας ἔψαυσέ μου.

ΕΚΑΒΗ

ἔγνω δέ σ' Ἐλένη καὶ μόνη κατεῖπ' ἐμοί;

ΟΔΥΣΣΕΥΣ

μεμνήμεθ' ἐς κίνδυνον ἐλθόντες μέγαν.

ΕΚΑΒΗ

ἢψω δὲ γονάτων τῶν ἐμῶν ταπεινὸς ὥν;

ΟΔΥΣΣΕΥΣ

ὦστ' ἐνθανεῖν γε σοὶς πέπλοισι χεῖρ' ἐμήν.

ΕΚΑΒΗ

τί δῆτ' ἔλεξας δοῦλος ὧν ἐμὸς τότε;

ΟΔΥΣΣΕΥΣ

πολλῶν λόγων εύρήμαθ', ὦστε μὴ θανεῖν.

ΕΚΑΒΗ

ἔσωσα δῆτά σ' ἔξέπεμψά τε χθονός;

ΟΔΥΣΣΕΥΣ

ὦστ' εἰσορᾶν γε φέγγος ἡλίου τόδε.

EURIPIDES, *Hecuba*, 242–250

ψαύω (+ gen)      *touch*

**Question 7 continues on page 9**

Question 7 (continued)

(b) **Croesus dreams of the evil which will befall Atys.**

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*Croesus, king of Lydia, has dismissed Solon, the law-giver, considering him to be a man of no account, for he thinks that anyone who disregards wealth is very foolish.*

Μετὰ δὲ Σόλωνα οἰχόμενον ἔλαβε ἐκ θεοῦ νέμεσις μεγάλη Κροῖσον, ώς εἰκάσαι, ὅτι ἐνόμισε ἐωυτὸν εἶναι ἀνθρώπων ἀπάντων ὀλβιώτατον. αὐτίκα δέ οἱ εὔδοντι ἐπέστη ὄνειρος, ὃς οἱ τὴν ἀληθείην ἔφαινε τῶν μελλόντων γενέσθαι κακῶν κατὰ τὸν παῖδα. ἦσαν δὲ τῷ Κροίσῳ δύο παῖδες, τῶν οὗτερος μὲν διέφθαρτο, ἦν γὰρ δὴ κωφός, ὁ δὲ ἔτερος τῶν ἡλίκων μακρῷ τὰ πάντα πρῶτος· οὕνομα δέ οἱ ἦν Ἀτυς. τοῦτον δὴ ὁν τὸν Ἀτυν σημαίνει τῷ Κροίσῳ ὁ ὄνειρος, ώς ἀπολέει μιν αἰχμῇ σιδηρέῃ βληθέντα.

HERODOTUS, I.34

κωφός	<i>deaf and dumb</i>
αἰχμῇ	<i>spear, point of spear</i>

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