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ANCIENT GREEK — HIGHER LEVEL

(400 marks)

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1.

- A.** Translate into English: (40) [50]

Δευνκαλίων παῖς ἦν Προμηθέως, καὶ ἔγημε Πύρραν. ἐπεὶ δὲ Ζεὺς ἥθελε τὸ χαλκοῦν γένος ἀνθρώπων, διὰ τὴν ἀδικίαν αὐτῶν, ἀφανίσαι, Δευνκαλίων ἐποίησε λάρνακα, καὶ τὰ ἐπιτήδεια ἐνθεὶς μετὰ Πύρρας ἐνέβη. Ζεὺς δὲ πολὺν ὑετὸν ἀπ' οὐρανοῦ πέμψας, τὰ πλεῖστα μέρη τῆς Ἑλλάδος κατέκλυσε. διεφθάρησαν δὲ οἱ ἄνθρωποι πλὴν ὀλίγων, οἱ κατέφυγον ἐπὶ τὰ ὕψιστα ὅρη. Δευνκαλίων δὲ διὰ τῆς θαλάσσης φερόμενος ἡμέρας καὶ νύκτας ἐννέα, τῷ Παρνασῷ προσίσχει, καὶ ἐκβαῖς τῆς λάρνακος ἔθυσε Διόν.

GREEK THROUGH READING

- B.** Answer *one* of the following questions: (10)

- (i) Write a short note on Prometheus.
- (ii) Briefly tell the story of another famous ship in Greek mythology.

2.

- A.** Translate into English: (40) [50]

Οὗτοι μέν – ὁ τ' Ὁδυσσεὺς καὶ ὁ Αἴας καὶ ὁ Φοῖνιξ – προσῆλθον τῇ τοῦ Ἀχιλλέως κλισίᾳ· ἐκεῖνον δὲ ηὔρουν τερπόμενον φόρμιγγι, ἃδοντά τε ἀνδρῶν ἐν μάχῃ ἀρετήν, καὶ κελεύοντος Ἀχιλλέως ἐκαθίζοντο ἐν ἔδραις ἐπὶ τάπησι· καὶ ἐνέχεε πιεῖν Πάτροκλος, Ἀχιλλέως ἐταῖρος. ἐπειτα κρέας συνδεῖσαν καὶ αἰγὸς νῶτον ἐτεμενεῖς Ἀχιλλεὺς, καὶ ὀβελοῖς ἐπειρε. Πάτροκλος δὲ ὑπὲρ τοῦ πυρὸς τοὺς ὀβελοὺς ἔχων ὥπτησε τὸ κρέας. οἱ δὲ τοῖς θεοῖς θύσαντες εἶτα κρέως καὶ σίτου εἶλον.

GREEK THROUGH READING

- B.** Answer *one* of the following questions: (10)

- (i) Explain why the three heroes came to visit Achilles in his tent.
- (ii) Briefly tell any other story you know associated with Achilles.

3. Translate into English:

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(*The Greeks suffer in Achilles' absence from battle. His friend Patroclus is persuaded to help them.*)

ὅς Ἀγαμέμνων, ὁ τῶν Ἑλλήνων βασιλεύς, ἔλαβε τὴν τοῦ Ἀχιλλέως γυναικα· ὁ δὲ Ἀχιλλεὺς οὐκ ἥθελε μάχεσθαι καὶ ἔμενεν ἐν τῇ κλισίᾳ. οἱ μὲν οὖν Τρῶες ἐνίκων, οἱ δὲ Ἕλληνες ἔφενγον πρὸς τὰς ναῦς. ἐπεὶ δὲ ὁ Ἀχιλλεὺς εἶδε τὸνς “Ἑλληνας φεύγοντας, ἔπειψε τὸν φίλον Πάτροκλον εὑρῆσοντα τι γίγνεται. τῷ δὲ Πατρόκλῳ ὁ Νεστώρ εἶπε τάδε· “οἱ ἡμέτεροι στρατιῶται φεύγοντιν. ἔνδυε οὖν, ὦ Πάτροκλε, τὰ τοῦ Ἀχιλλέως ὅπλα καὶ ἀνδρείως πρὸς τὸν Τρῶας μάχουν. ἐπειτα δὲ πάντες εἰκάσονται σὲ Ἀχιλλέα εἶναι.” ὁ δὲ Πάτροκλος ἐπανῆλθε πρὸς τὸν Ἀχιλλέα καὶ εἶπεν, “ὦ Ἀχιλλεῦ, ἄρα δώσεις μοι τὰ σὰ ὅπλα; ἐθέλω γὰρ τὸν στρατὸν ἀπάγειν εἰς μάχην.”

κλισία: tent. εὑρῆσοντα: to find out. ἔνδυω: I put on. ὅπλα: armour.
μάχουν: Imperative Mood of μάχομαι. εἰκάζω: I imagine.
δώσεις: Future Tense of δίδωμι, 'I give'. ἀπάγω: I lead out.

4. Read the following passage and then answer *any six* of the questions which follow:

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(*Alexander the Great obtains his famous horse because he alone can restrain it.*)

ὅς Φιλόνεικος πρὸς τὴν Μακεδονίαν ἥλθεν ὕππον γὰρ ἥθελε πωλεῖν Φιλίππῳ τῷ βασιλεῖ. καὶ ὁ Φίλιππος εἶπε, “τί ἔστι τὸ ὄνομα, διότι κεφαλὴν μεγίστην ἔχει ῷσπερ βοῦς.”

“Βουκέφαλός ἔστι τὸ ὄνομα, διότι κεφαλὴν μεγίστην ἔχει ῷσπερ βοῦς.”

“καὶ τίς ἡ τιμή;” εἶπεν ὁ βασιλεὺς.

“τρία καὶ δέκα τάλαντα, ὁ γὰρ ὕππος ἄριστός ἔστιν.”

ὅς μέντοι Βουκέφαλος ἄγριος ἦν, καὶ οὔτε δοῦλοι οὔτε φίλοι τοῦ βασιλέως ἐδύναντο κατέχειν αὐτόν. ἐπειτα δὲ ὁ τοῦ Φιλίππου νιός, Ἄλεξανδρος ὀνόματι, εἶπε, “μὴ ἀπόπεμπε τὸν ὕππον, ὦ πάτερ, ἐγὼ γὰρ δύναμαι κατέχειν αὐτόν.” καὶ τὰς ἡνίας λαβών, τὸν ὕππον πρὸς τὸν ἥλιον ἐπέτρεψεν. οὕτως οὖν ὁ Βουκέφαλος οὐκέτι ἐδύνατο τὴν ἑαυτοῦ σκιὰν ἴδειν (ἐφοβεῖτο γὰρ αὐτήν) καὶ ὁ Ἄλεξανδρος ἥραδίως ἐδύνατο ἀναβαίνειν.

πωλέω: I sell. διότι: because. ῷσπερ: just as, like. τιμή: price.

τάλαντον: talent (a large amount of money). ἄγριος: wild. κατέχω: I restrain.

ἡνία: reins. ἐπιτρέπω: I turn. σκιά: shadow.

- (a) Why did Philoneikos come to Macedonia?
- (b) Why was the name Boukephalos given to the horse?
- (c) What price was Philoneikos asking for the horse? Why was the price so high?
- (d) Who were not able to restrain the horse?
- (e) Why did turning the horse to the sun help Alexander to restrain Boukephalos?
- (f) Give the First Person, Singular Number, Present Tense of *two* of the following verbs:

ἥλθεν, λαβών, ἐφοβεῖτο.

- (g) Give the Genitive Case, Singular Number of *two* of the following nouns:

κεφαλή, ἥλιος, ὄνομα.

- (h) The word *megalithic* is derived from two Greek words. What are they, and what does each Greek word mean?

5. Translate into Greek: [80]

- (a) The farmer drives the oxen to the marketplace of the city. (16)
- (b) The father heard the children talking in the street. (16)
- (c) It is necessary for the slave to tell the doctor about the boy. (16)
- (d) The woman said that the girls were in the house for a long time. (16)
- (e) When we went to Athens we saw you walking with your friends. (16)

6. Answer *one* of the following: [30]

- (a) Write an account of the Battle of Salamis. Remember to include in your answer the date, the participants, the leaders, the course of the battle and the result.
- (b) Write about the career of Pericles.

7. Answer *one* of the following: [30]

- (a) Name the following gods or goddesses:
 - (i) She was the goddess of love.
 - (ii) He was the god of wine.
 - (iii) He was the god of the sea.

Write a short paragraph about *any one* of the gods or goddesses you have named.

- (b) You are a young Greek boy or girl living outside Athens. Your father has taken you and the rest of the family to Athens for a festival.

Write briefly about your visit, saying how you got there and what you saw, and describe one building in the city.

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