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1. Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
✓	worthy of credit
F	errors of fact
S(p)	misspellings
P	errors of punctuation
E	errors of grammar and expression
^	omissions
R	irrelevant material;
?/!	improbable or confused statements
Rep	conspicuous repetition
L?	illegible words
.....	Highlight

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1	(a)	<p>Briefly describe the people who were guests at Trimalchio's dinner.</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encolpius;-narrator • Agamemnon – a teacher of rhetoric; • Diogenes – a friend of Trimalchio; • Echion – a “rag and bone man”; • Habinnas – monumental mason. An important man at Puteoli; • Hermeros – he appears to be sitting next to Encolpius. He argues with Ascyltus; • Niceros – he tells the story of the werewolf; • Scintilla – a woman and friend of Fortunata; • Ascyltus – companion to Encolpius; • Giton – a free man playing the part of a slave. • Seleucus-misogynist • Phileros-defends <p>Not Chysanthus (dead); not named slaves; not Trimalchio.</p>	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expect a range with at least one supporting detail. • Accept reference that many are freedmen and credit knowledge of social context. • Accept Fortunata 	<p>AO1 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10</p> <p>Level 4 7–8</p> <p>Level 3 5–6</p> <p>Level 2 2–4</p> <p>Level 1 0–1</p>

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	(b)	<p>How does Petronius make this passage humorous? In your answer you should refer to what the characters do and say and Petronius' use of language.</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the over reaction of Ascyltus by falling in the fish pond – slapstick; Encolpius falling in when trying to help his friend – slapstick; the actions of the hall porter; Trimalchio murdering the songs of Menecrates; picking up rings with hands tied behind their backs and other drunken antics; bizarre references – not getting out the same way as they came in. <p>The language here is one of noise and confusion. Reference to language might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> detailed descriptions of the effect of drink – throwing off clothes; open mouth gaping; hyperbole – simple fishpond described as watery trap; sounds – murdering, acoustics, roaring. 	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expect some reference to language. Credit allusions from book 6 of the Aeneid. Credit parody of Nero's singing. Question says what they do and what they say. 	<p>AO1 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10 Level 4 7–8 Level 3 5–6 Level 2 2–4 Level 1 0–1</p> <p>AO2 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10 Level 4 7–8 Level 3 5–6 Level 2 2–4 Level 1 0–1</p>

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	(c)	<p>How far do you agree that the narrator Encolpius is essential to the success of <i>Dinner with Trimalchio</i>? In your answer you should include reference to this passage and the rest of <i>Dinner with Trimalchio</i>.</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <p>Essential:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • his comments are amusing; • he directs our attention; • he provides explanation for events; • first person narrative makes the account more immediate/dramatic; • allows for Petronius to voice his comments on nouveaux riches and freedmen; • Petronius can keep a distance from the criticism he is levelling. <p>On the other hand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many of the events are humorous in themselves and do not need a narrator – gutting the pig is dramatic. • The werewolf story does not need Encolpius. • He is biased against Trimalchio and influences the audience. <p>Candidates should make specific reference to the passage.</p>	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates may come to any reasoned conclusion. • Candidates may mention the narrator in the modern equivalent 'Come Dine with Me'. 	<p>AO1 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10 Level 4 7–8 Level 3 5–6 Level 2 2–4 Level 1 0–1</p> <p>AO2 = 15</p> <p>Level 5 14–15 Level 4 10–13 Level 3 6–9 Level 2 3–5 Level 1 0–2</p>

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2	(a)	<p>Explain who Crispinus was.</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appears in Satire 1 (hence reference to “again”); • a former fishmonger who made a fortune trading in expensive fish; • from Egypt/Alexandrian – probably a Roman Egyptian/Roman living in Egypt; • ‘Delta-bred house slave’; • silt washed down by the Nile; • now wears Tyrian purple; • wears a thin gold ring—indicating that he is a knight; • made knight/<i>equus</i> by Domitian; • <i>possibly</i> Domitian’s “buffoon”; • is on Domitian’s council ; • he may have slept with a Vestal virgin. 	10		<p>AO1 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10</p> <p>Level 4 7–8</p> <p>Level 3 5–6</p> <p>Level 2 2–4</p> <p>Level 1 0–1</p>

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	(b)	<p>How does Juvenal show his dislike for Crispinus in the passage? In your answer you should include discussion of what Juvenal says and how he says it.</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <p>Juvenal makes his hatred plain</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • he regards Crispinus as a monster and sick voluptuary; • he exaggerates (hyperbole) – cave-like sedan, mile long colonnades, countless mansions; • he makes insulting allusions – papyrus as a loin cloth; • his lists Crispinus' sensational crimes – seducer, sacrilegious, legacy hunting; • eclipses all charges in foulness; • uses the apostrophe <i>you</i>, and 'Crispinus'; • emphasises his outrage – he is astounded at the price paid for a fish; • the contrast with the gourmet Apicius. 	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expect some reference to language. • A summary of the passage should not form the focus of the answer. 	<p>AO1 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10 Level 4 7–8 Level 3 5–6 Level 2 2–4 Level 1 0–1</p> <p>AO2 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10 Level 4 7–8 Level 3 5–6 Level 2 2–4 Level 1 0–1</p>

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	(c)	<p>'Juvenal is at his best when he writes with anger.' How far do you agree with this statement? In your answer you should refer to the rest of Satire 4 and other satires of Juvenal which you have read.</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <p>From Satire 4:</p> <p>Juvenal is not always bitter and can use a mocking tone. His mock epic style in Satire 4 can be more effective in getting his criticism of Domitian across to the audience.</p> <p>Elsewhere:</p> <p>Juvenal is at his best when writing with extreme emotion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • he feels passionate about the state of Roman society; • invective against Greeks (Sat. 3); • outrage at the state of housing (Sat. 3); • women not behaving as society expects (Sat. 1); • his extreme language successfully paints a vivid picture of a range of characters. <p>However some may feel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that the constant invective loses its effect and becomes an angry rant. 	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates may come to any reasoned conclusion. 	<p>AO1 = 10</p> <p>Level 5 9–10</p> <p>Level 4 7–8</p> <p>Level 3 5–6</p> <p>Level 2 2–4</p> <p>Level 1 0–1</p> <p>AO2 = 15</p> <p>Level 5 14–15</p> <p>Level 4 10–13</p> <p>Level 3 6–9</p> <p>Level 2 3–5</p> <p>Level 1 0–2</p>

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3	<p>Who would have enjoyed being a guest at Trimalchio's dinner more – Horace or Pliny? Answers might include:</p> <p>Evidence from Horace enjoyed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • seems to enjoy hearing about the disaster that was Nasidienus' dinner, he might have enjoyed hearing about the acrobat; • he is the son of a freedman so would understand their concerns. He would empathise with the conversations of the freedmen. <p>but</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • he treats his slaves more kindly, he would not kill a slave; • he advises against gluttony, the Zodiac dish/Boar would be excessive; • he would miss powerful friends like Maecenas, all the guests are freedmen/not high ranking; • he is not impressed by wealth, Trimalchio's silver toothpick might be too ostentatious. <p>Evidence from Pliny enjoyed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • he certainly respects his own freedman Zosimus so may do the same for other guests; • he gives the <i>impression</i> of equality – letter about the dinner he attended; • he does respect his slaves and cares for them (but he might not go so far as to allow the slaves to sit with him); <p>but</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the suggestion is that he does look down on ex-slaves as hinted at in his letter about Macedo, he would not have much in common with the troubles of the freedmen; • he would not be appreciative of Trimalchio's lack of learning. 	45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates may come to any reasoned conclusion 	<p>AO1 = 20</p> <p>Level 5 18–20 Level 4 14–17 Level 3 9–13 Level 2 5–8 Level 1 0–4</p> <p>AO2 = 25</p> <p>Level 5 22–25 Level 4 17–21 Level 3 12–16 Level 2 6–11 Level 1 0–5</p>

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4		<p>In your opinion, did Roman satirists aim to entertain more than to educate?</p> <p>Opinions on the nature of Roman satire and its origins vary widely. Certainly there is the idea of educating and putting across a moral message but in an entertaining way.</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <p>Evidence from Horace:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horace is the smiling satirist – he offers kindly advice and warns the audience not to be like Avidienus or not to eat peacock because it is fashionable; • his story of town mouse and country mouse entertains but also educates as well; • Horace’s use of examples seems as if he is educating; • Horace offers an alternative. <p>Evidence from Petronius</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • certainly entertains but it is difficult to see a moral message behind the narrative; • reference to freedmen and the nouveaux riches is criticism but Petronius does not seem to take it further. <p>Evidence from Juvenal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juvenal entertains with his exaggerated descriptions of characters; his anger entertains/does not entertain; • he is passionate about what is happening to Roman society but it is debatable whether he is educating or just complaining; • Juvenal may be seen as educating through advice to leave Rome. 	45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pliny is not a satirist. • Expect a range of references drawn from all authors although an equal balance is not required. • Candidates may offer discussion of Rudd’s triangle which should be credited. 	<p>AO1 = 20</p> <p>Level 5 18–20 Level 4 14–17 Level 3 9–13 Level 2 5–8 Level 1 0–4</p> <p>AO2 = 25</p> <p>Level 5 22–25 Level 4 17–21 Level 3 12–16 Level 2 6–11 Level 1 0–5</p>

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5		<p>'The Romans were more interested in money than philosophy.' To what extent have you found this statement to be true?</p> <p>Answers might include:</p> <p>Knowledge of Roman Society:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • details of property qualifications for different classes; • knowledge of the <i>dole/sportula</i>; • explanation of Stoicism; • explanation of Epicureanism (not Epicures). <p>Evidence from Horace:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • says you should not heap up wealth; • he claims to want a simple life and simple food; • philosophy of Ofellus is admired; • candidates may make reference to Epicureanism. <p>Evidence from Petronius:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trimalchio claims never to have heard a philosopher; • he shows 'filthy ostentation'; • money is important to him; • he represents the nouveaux riches for whom money is important as it gives them status. <p>Evidence from Juvenal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juvenal Satire 3 indicates that Umbricius cannot earn a decent living but he appears jealous of those who have money; • money and lack of money seem to feature in his satires – Cordus, the expense of litigation, abuse of the daily handout. <p>Evidence from Pliny:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is definitely an admirer of Stoicism and writes detailed letters of followers he admires – Arria, Rufus. 	45	<p>Credit (though do not expect) knowledge of monetary system or cost of items.</p> <p>Knowledge of Pliny's status in society should be credited.</p>	<p>AO1 = 20</p> <p>Level 5 18–20</p> <p>Level 4 14–17</p> <p>Level 3 9–13</p> <p>Level 2 5–8</p> <p>Level 1 0–4</p> <p>AO2 = 25</p> <p>Level 5 22–25</p> <p>Level 4 17–21</p> <p>Level 3 12–16</p> <p>Level 2 6–11</p> <p>Level 1 0–5</p>

APPENDIX 1

	AO1: Recall and deploy relevant knowledge and understanding of literary, cultural, material or historical sources or linguistic forms in their appropriate contexts.		AO2(a): Analyse, evaluate and respond to Classical Sources (literary, cultural, material or historical sources or linguistic), as appropriate. AO2(b): Select, organise and present relevant information and argument in a clear, logical, accurate and appropriate form.		
Level 5	9-10	18-20	9-10	14-15	22-25
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A very good collection/range of detailed factual knowledge; • Fully relevant to the question; • Well-supported with evidence and reference where required; • Displays a very good understanding/awareness of context, as appropriate. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thorough analysis of evidence/issues; • Perceptive evaluation with very thoughtful engagement with sources/task; • Very well structured response with clear and developed argument; • Fluent and very effective communication of ideas; • Very accurately written with effective use of specialist vocabulary/terms. 		
Level 4	7-8	14-17	7-8	10-13	17-21
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A good collection/range of detailed factual knowledge; • Mostly relevant to the question; • Mostly supported with evidence and reference where required; • Displays a good understanding/awareness of context, as appropriate. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good analysis of evidence/issues; • Sound evaluation with thoughtful engagement with sources/task; • Well structured response with clear argument; • Mostly fluent and effective communication of ideas; • Accurately written with use of specialist vocabulary/terms. 		
Level 3	5-6	9-13	5-6	6-9	12-16
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A collection/range of basic factual knowledge; • Partially relevant to the question; • Partially supported with evidence and reference where required; • Displays some understanding/awareness of context, as appropriate. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some analysis of evidence/issues; • Some evaluation with some engagement with sources/task; • Structured response with some underdeveloped argument; • Generally effective communication of ideas; • Generally accurately written with some use of specialist vocabulary/terms. 		
Level 2	2-4	5-8	2-4	3-5	6-11
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited factual knowledge; • Occasionally relevant to the question; • Occasionally supported with evidence; • Displays limited understanding/awareness of context, as appropriate. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occasional analysis of evidence/issues; • Limited evaluation or engagement with sources/task; • Poorly structured response with little or no argument; • Occasionally effective communication of ideas; • Occasionally accurately written with some recognisable specialist vocabulary/terms. 		
Level 1	0-1	0-4	0-1	0-2	0-5
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little or no factual knowledge; • Rarely relevant to the question; • Minimal or no supporting evidence; • Displays minimal or no understanding/awareness of context, as appropriate. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very superficial analysis of evidence/issues; • Little or no evaluation or engagement with sources/task; • Very poorly structured or unstructured response; • Little or no effective communication of ideas. • Little or no accuracy in the writing or recognisable specialist vocabulary/terms. 		

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