



A Level Ancient History H407/23 Emperors and Empire Sample Question Paper

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Date - Morning/Afternoon

Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes



You must have:

 the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet (OCR12 sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None



INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Complete the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- There are two sections in this paper: Section A and Section B. In Section A, answer Question 1 or 2 and Question 3. In Section B, answer Question 4 and Question 5 or 6.
- Write the number of each question clearly in the margin.
- Additional paper may be used if required but you must clearly show your candidate number, centre number and question number(s).
- Do not write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 98.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*)
- This document consists of 4 pages.

Section A: The Julio-Claudian Emperors, 31 BC-AD 68

Answer either question 1 or question 2 and then question 3.

Answer either question 1 or question 2.

1* To what extent was there discontent with the emperors during this period?

You must use and analyse the ancient sources you have studied as well as your own knowledge to support your answer. [30]

2* How important a role did imperial women play during the reigns of Claudius and Nero?
 You must use and analyse the ancient sources you have studied as well as your own knowledge to support your answer.

3 Read the interpretation below.

[Augustus] resigned his consulship in the summer of that year (23 BC), a post to which he had been elected for nine years running. And he was not to hold it again, except on rare, honorific occasions. The senate, in turn, gave him the right to retain his *imperium* (his military authority). ... More significantly still, the compliant senators increased the force of Augustus' *imperium* abroad by making it superior to that of 5 governors in any subject territory, even those outside his own extensive provincial commands ... – an extraordinary authority conventionally known as *maius imperium* ("greater power"). ... The Roman senate [also] accorded Augustus the right to wield the responsibilities of a tribune for life. ...

What does all this mean? Common interpretation has it that the settlement of 23 BC 10 represents a retreat on Augustus' part, that resignation of the consulship diminished powers that he previously wielded All of that is speculation, unfounded and implausible. ... Augustus may have technically relinquished the specific privileges that attached to the consulship. But this entailed no lapse in authority.

Erich S. Gruen, 'Augustus and the Making of the Principate'

How convincing do you find Gruen's interpretation that Augustus suffered "no lapse in authority"?

You must use your knowledge of the historical period and the ancient sources you have studied to analyse and evaluate Gruen's interpretation. [20]

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Section B: Ruling Roman Britain, AD 43-c.128

Answer question 4 and then either question 5 or question 6.

4 Read the sources below.

Obverse: VIR(ICA) split by vine-leaf

Reverse: Horseman; Below: C(OMMI) F(ILIVS)

Gold Stater of Verica

Coin date: c. AD 20-40 (LACTOR 4)

Obverse: Ear of corn. CA MV (LODVNVM), Reverse: Horse. Below: CUNO(BELINVS).

Gold Stater of Cunobelin(us)

Coin date: AD 20-40 (LACTOR 4)

Aulus Plautius, a senator of great reputation, led an expedition to Britain. This was because a certain Berikos [*Verica*], who had been driven out of the island as a result of civil war, persuaded Claudius to send a force there.

Cassius Dio, Roman History 60.19.1

He undertook only one expedition, and that a modest one. The Senate had decreed him triumphal ornaments, but he regarded this as beneath his dignity as emperor. He sought the honour of a real triumph, and chose Britain as the best field in which to seek this, for no one had attempted an invasion since the time of Julius Caesar and the island at this time was in turmoil because certain refugees had not been returned to the island.

Suetonius, Claudius, 17.1–2

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How useful are these sources for our understanding why Claudius invaded Britain in AD 43? [12]

Answer either question 5 or question 6.

5* 'The Britons benefitted from the Roman occupation of Britain throughout the period.' How far do you agree with this view?

You must use and analyse the ancient sources you have studied as well as your own knowledge to support your own knowledge. [36]

6* 'Boudicca's rebellion was a direct result of widespread mistreatment of the Britons by the Romans since the invasion of AD 43.' How far do you agree with this view?

You must use and analyse the ancient sources you have studied as well as your own knowledge to support your own knowledge. [36]

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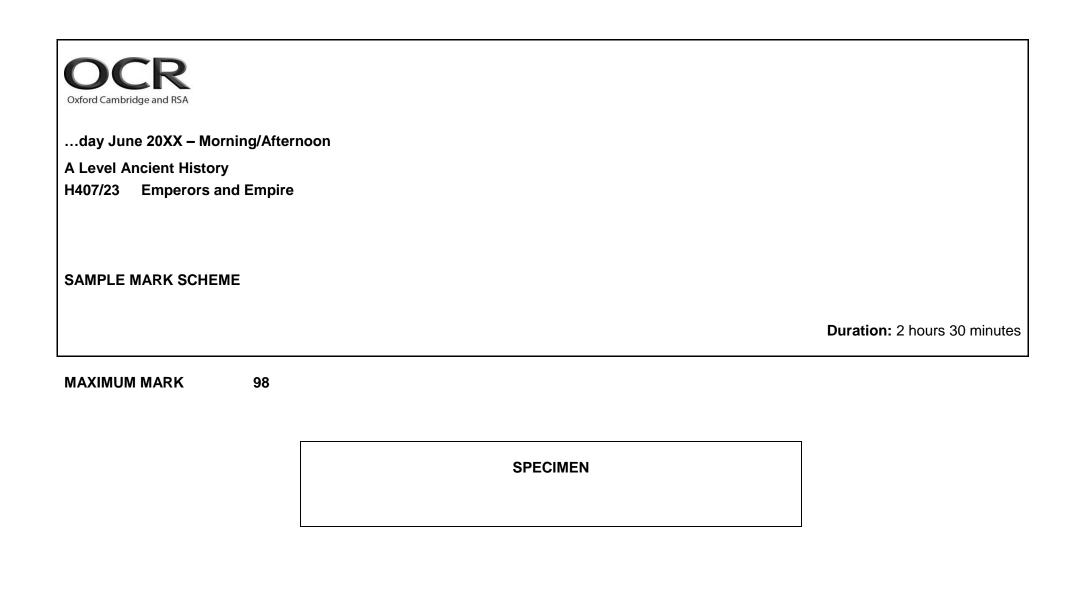
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MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION FOR MARKING

SCORIS

- 1. Make sure that you have accessed and completed the relevant training packages for on–screen marking: scoris assessor Online Training; OCR Essential Guide to Marking.
- 2. Make sure that you have read and understood the mark scheme and the question paper for this unit. These are posted on the RM Cambridge Assessment Support Portal http://www.rm.com/support/ca
- 3. Log-in to scoris and mark the **required number** of practice responses ("scripts") and the **required number** of standardisation responses.

YOU MUST MARK 10 PRACTICE AND 10 STANDARDISATION RESPONSES BEFORE YOU CAN BE APPROVED TO MARK LIVE SCRIPTS.

TRADITIONAL

Before the Standardisation meeting you must mark at least 10 scripts from several centres. For this preliminary marking you should use **pencil** and follow the **mark scheme**. Bring these **marked scripts** to the meeting.

MARKING

- 1. Mark strictly to the mark scheme.
- 2. Marks awarded must relate directly to the marking criteria.
- 3. The schedule of dates is very important. It is essential that you meet the scoris 50% and 100% (traditional 50% Batch 1 and 100% Batch 2) deadlines. If you experience problems, you must contact your Team Leader (Supervisor) without delay.
- 4. If you are in any doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader by telephone, email or via the scoris messaging system.

- Work crossed out:
 - a. where a candidate crosses out an answer and provides an alternative response, the crossed out response is not marked and gains no marks
 - b. if a candidate crosses out an answer to a whole question and makes no second attempt, and if the inclusion of the answer does not cause a rubric infringement, the assessor should attempt to mark the crossed out answer and award marks appropriately.
- Always check the pages (and additional objects if present) at the end of the response in case any answers have been continued there. If the candidate has continued an answer there then add a tick to confirm that the work has been seen.
- 7. There is a NR (No Response) option. Award NR (No Response)
 - if there is nothing written at all in the answer space
 - OR if there is a comment which does not in any way relate to the question (e.g. 'can't do', 'don't know')
 - OR if there is a mark (e.g. a dash, a question mark) which isn't an attempt at the question.

Note: Award 0 marks – for an attempt that earns no credit (including copying out the question).

- 8. The scoris **comments box** is used by your Team Leader to explain the marking of the practice responses. Please refer to these comments when checking your practice responses. **Do not use the comments box for any other reason.**If you have any questions or comments for your Team Leader, use the phone, the scoris messaging system, or e-mail.
- Assistant Examiners will send a brief report on the performance of candidates to their Team Leader (Supervisor) via email by the end of the
 marking period. The report should contain notes on particular strengths displayed as well as common errors or weaknesses. Constructive
 criticism of the question paper/mark scheme is also appreciated.
- 10. For answers marked by levels of response:
 - a. To determine the level start at the highest level and work down until you reach the level that matches the answer
 - b. **To determine the mark within the level**, consider the following:

Descriptor	Award mark	
On the borderline of this level and the one below	At bottom of level	
Just enough achievement on balance for this level	Above bottom and either below middle or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)	
Meets the criteria but with some slight inconsistency	Above middle and either below top of level or at middle of level (depending on number of marks available)	
Consistently meets the criteria for this level	At top of level	

11. Please note: the Assessment Objectives targeted by each question and the maximum marks available for each Assessment Objective are given at the top of each levels mark scheme for each question. Unless otherwise stated the weightings of the assessment objectives remain consistent throughout the levels. For example if the maximum marks are 6 AO1, 3 AO2, then the AO1/AO2 ratio will be 2/1 throughout the levels.

12. Annotations

Annotation	Meaning

13. Subject-specific Marking Instructions

INTRODUCTION

Your first task as an Examiner is to become thoroughly familiar with the material on which the examination depends. This material includes:

- the specification, especially the assessment objectives
- the question paper and its rubrics
- the mark scheme.

You should ensure that you have copies of these materials.

You should ensure also that you are familiar with the administrative procedures related to the marking process. These are set out in the OCR booklet **Instructions for Examiners**. If you are examining for the first time, please read carefully **Appendix 5 Introduction to Script Marking: Notes for New Examiners**.

Please ask for help or guidance whenever you need it. Your first point of contact is your Team Leader.

USING THE MARK SCHEME

Please study this Mark Scheme carefully. The Mark Scheme is an integral part of the process that begins with the setting of the question paper and ends with the awarding of grades. Question papers and Mark Schemes are developed in association with each other so that issues of differentiation and positive achievement can be addressed from the very start.

This Mark Scheme is a working document; it is not exhaustive; it does not provide 'correct' answers. The Mark Scheme can only provide 'best guesses' about how the question will work out, and it is subject to revision after we have looked at a wide range of scripts.

The Examiners' Standardisation Meeting will ensure that the Mark Scheme covers the range of candidates' responses to the questions, and that all Examiners understand and apply the Mark Scheme in the same way. The Mark Scheme will be discussed and amended at the meeting, and administrative procedures will be confirmed. Co–ordination scripts will be issued at the meeting to exemplify aspects of candidates' responses and achievements; the co–ordination scripts then become part of this Mark Scheme.

Before the Standardisation Meeting, you should read and mark in pencil a number of scripts, in order to gain an impression of the range of responses and achievement that may be expected.

Please read carefully all the scripts in your allocation and make every effort to look positively for achievement throughout the ability range. Always be prepared to use the full range of marks.

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXAMINERS

- The co-ordination scripts provide you with *examples* of the standard of each band. The marks awarded for these scripts will have been agreed by the Team Leaders and will be discussed fully at the Examiners' Co-ordination Meeting.
- The specific task-related indicative content for each question will help you to understand how the band descriptors may be applied. However, this indicative content does not constitute the mark scheme: it is material that candidates might use, grouped according to each assessment objective tested by the question. It is hoped that candidates will respond to questions in a variety of ways. Rigid demands for 'what must be a good answer' would lead to a distorted assessment.
- Candidates' answers must be relevant to the question. Beware of prepared answers that do not show the candidate's thought and which have not been adapted to the thrust of the question. Beware also of answers where candidates attempt to reproduce interpretations and concepts that they have been taught but have only partially understood.
- Please note: the Assessment Objectives targeted by each question and the maximum marks available for each Assessment Objective are given at the top of each levels mark scheme for each question. The weightings of the assessment objectives remain consistent throughout the levels. For example if the maximum marks are 5 AO1, 10 AO2 and 15 AO3, then the AO1/AO2/AO3 ratio will be 1/2/3 throughout the levels. When marking, you must therefore give greater priority to the more heavily weighted Assessment Objective when determining in which level and where within a level to place an answer.

Section A: The Julio-Claudian Emperors, 31 BC-AD 68

*Question 1		To what extent was there discontent with the emperors during this period?	[30 marks]
Assessment Objectives		 AO3 = 15 marks = Use, analyse and evaluate ancient sources within their historical context to make judgements and reach conclusions about: historical events and historical periods studied how the portrayal of events by ancient writers/sources relates to the historical contexts in which they were written/produced. AO2 = 10 marks = Analyse and evaluate historical events and historical periods to arrive at substantiated judgements AO1 = 5 marks = Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the historical periods studied. Please note that while the descriptors for AO2 and AO3 are given separately in the levels, the analysis and evaluation of sources & historical events and historical periods may be combined in responses. 	
Addit guida		The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.	
Level	Marks	Level descriptors	Indicative content
Level 5	25–30	 Response uses a very good range of fully appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are thoroughly analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, well-developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw fully substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an excellent explanation that convincingly and very thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated, sustained, and well-developed judgements. (AO2) The response demonstrates a very good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a sophisticated understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent and logically structured. The information presented is entirely relevant and substantiated. 	No set answer is expected. It is possible to reach the highest marks with conclusion(s) either agreeing, disagreeing, or anywhere between providing the response has addressed the issue of extent. Responses should be marked in-line with the level descriptors. Candidates may look at similarities and differences in the level of discontent between different emperors, and also at the level of discontent within an emperor's reign. Candidates may look at: specific opposition to emperors by individuals or groups (including members of imperial family): its seriousness and extent.
		Response uses a good range of appropriate examples from the ancient	displays of discontent with emperors e.g. riots,

Level 3	13–18	sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) • The response has a very good explanation that convincingly and thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated and developed judgements. (AO2) • The response demonstrates a good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a well-developed understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and in the most part substantiated. • Response uses a range of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw supported, plausible conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) • The response has a good explanation that convincingly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach supported judgements, though these are not consistently developed. (AO2) • The response demonstrates a reasonable range of accurate and sometimes detailed knowledge and a reasonable understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question through most of the answer. (AO1)	popular outbursts against actions, rejection of imperial demands. displays of support by individuals or groups e.g. senators, equestrians, urban poor. the reasons for and context for discontent. Supporting source details may include: Augustus: Suet Aug. 19: riots and conspiracies; 65 – his family; opposition to marriage laws (Suet. Aug 34); Tac. Ann 1.9–10; Res Gestae 5, 10, 34–35 for support; Suet. Aug. 42 complaints, Pliny NH on discontent; Velleius on universal support Tiberius: Suet. Tib 75 reaction to death; Tac. Ann 1.11f debate on accession; 1.45f discontent with his actions; 3.3 Germanicus' death and Agrippina's opposition 4.52ff; 3.14–16 Piso; Tac. Annals 6.13 riots Gaius: assassination Dio 59.29.1, Suet. Gaius 56; plot of Gaetulicus, Lepidus Dio 59.22; Suet Gaius 13–14 – popularity; support of the Senate Claudius: Suet. Claudius 10 – accession – support/opposition; plots: Suet. Claudius 13, 36, Dio 60.14; riots 18; executions 29 Nero: Agrippina Tac. Annals 13.12–14; 14.1f (Thrasea 14. 11); support / discontent over artistic aims Annals 14. 14–15; Burrus Annals 14.51; riots
		presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence.	over Octavia Annals 14.61; 15.44; suspicion over the
Level 2	7–12	 Response uses some appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw some supported conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) 	Fire AD 64; Piso plot –Tac. <i>Annals</i> 15.48-50 for those involved.

		 The response has an explanation that analyses and appraises historical events and periods, and this is linked appropriately to judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements may not always be made fully explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates a limited range of accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though this may lack detail. The question is generally addressed, but the response loses focus in places. (AO1) The information has some relevance, but is communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence, the relationship to the evidence may not be clear. 	 Analysis of the sources should focus on: the extent of discontent / support using specific examples from selected parts of the period the assessment of opposition and support the different levels of discontent of individual emperors by different groups the presentation of Tiberius, Gaius, Claudius and Nero compared to Augustus evaluation and interpretation of the evidence (archaeological and literary).
Level 1	1–6	 Response uses a limited selection of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated in a basic way, and this is linked to basic, generalised judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced. There are some basic conclusions about the historical issue in the question, though these may only be implicitly linked with the analysis and evaluation of the sources. (AO3) The response has some explanation which analyses and appraises historical events and periods in places, and this is linked appropriately to some of the judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements is not made explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates some limited knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though lacking detail and in places inaccurate. The question is only partially addressed. (AO1) Information presented is basic and may be ambiguous or unstructured. The information is supported by limited evidence. 	
	0	No response or no response worthy of credit	

*Question 2 How important a role did imperial women play during the reigns of Claudius and N		How important a role did imperial women play during the reigns of Claudius an	nd Nero? [30 marks]
Assessment Objectives		 AO3 = 15 marks = Use, analyse and evaluate ancient sources within their historical context to make judgements and reach conclusions about: historical events and historical periods studied how the portrayal of events by ancient writers/sources relates to the historical contexts in which they were written/produced. AO2 = 10 marks = Analyse and evaluate historical events and historical periods to arrive at substantiated judgements. AO1 = 5 marks = Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the historical periods studied. Please note that while the descriptors for AO2 and AO3 are given separately in the levels, the analysis and evaluation of sources & historical events and historical periods may be combined in responses. 	
Addit guid	tional ance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other his credited in line with the levels of response.	storically valid content is acceptable and should be
Level	Marks	Level descriptors	Indicative content
		Response uses a very good range of fully appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are thoroughly analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, well-developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw fully substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3)	No set answer is expected. It is possible to reach the highest marks with conclusion(s) either agreeing, disagreeing, or anywhere between providing the response has addressed the issue of extent. Responses should be marked in-line with the level descriptors.
Level 5	25–30	The response has an excellent explanation that convincingly and very thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated, sustained, and well-developed judgements. (AO2)	Candidates should look at the significance of the role women played in the reigns of Claudius and Nero. Candidates are likely to analyse the similarities and
		The response demonstrates a very good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a sophisticated understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1)	differences between different imperial women and also the relationship between these imperial women at different times during both emperors' reigns. Candidates may look at:
		There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent and logically structured. The information presented is entirely relevant and substantiated.	The presentation of Messalina, Octavia, Poppaea and Agrippina the Younger by the sources.
Level	19–24	Response uses a good range of appropriate examples from the ancient	The role in controlling the succession.

4		sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has a very good explanation that convincingly and thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated and developed judgements. (AO2) The response demonstrates a good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a well-developed understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information presented is relevant and in the most part substantiated.	 The influence they exerted over the emperor. There is a wealth of material in Tacitus and Suetonius on the intrigues of the women in the imperial house during the reigns of Claudius and Nero which should be credited as appropriate according to the grids. Sources may include: Tac. Ann. 12.3; Suet. Cl. 26.; Dio. 60.31. on seduction of Claudius by Agrippina and subsequent marriage Tac. Ann. 12.58; Dio 60.33 the marriage of Nero and Octavia Tac. Ann. 12.26, 27; Dio 60.33 honours granted to Agrippina
Level 3	13–18	 Response uses a range of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw supported, plausible conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has a good explanation that convincingly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach supported judgements, though these are not consistently developed. (AO2) The response demonstrates a reasonable range of accurate and sometimes detailed knowledge and a reasonable understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question through most of the answer. (AO1) There is a line of reasoning presented with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence. 	 Tac Ann. 13.2; Suet. Ner. 9 Nero's watchword indicating Agrippina's role in bringing about his succession Tac. Ann. 13.2 Agrippina's influence over Nero the early part of his reign Tac. Ann. 13.5; Dio 61.3 Agrippina becomes les influential as time goes on Suet. Ner. 33-34 Agrippina transfers her affections to Britannicus and eventually leaves the imperial residence Suet. Ner. 35.1 The lack of importance of Octavia Tac. Ann.14.1 Poppaea's importance at the expense of Octavia Suet. Ner. 34.2-3, 35.2-3 exile and death of
Level 2	7–12	Response uses some appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw some supported conclusions about the historical	Octavia Tac. <i>Ann.</i> 11.29. Suet. <i>Cl.</i> 29, 37 on Messalina's influences

		 issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an explanation that analyses and appraises historical events and periods, and this is linked appropriately to judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements may not always be made fully explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates a limited range of accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though this may lack detail. The question is generally addressed, but the response loses focus in places. (AO1) The information has some relevance, but is communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence, the relationship to the evidence may not be clear. 	 Tac. Ann. 11, 26-38 on Messalina's downfall. Analysis of the sources should focus on: detailed interpretation and evaluation of the evidence exploring the importance of the roles of the women during the reigns of Claudius and Nero. the possible motives of the authors in presenting the women in the way they do. the difference in importance between Agrippina and other women.
Level 1	1–6	 Response uses a limited selection of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated in a basic way, and this is linked to basic, generalised judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced. There are some basic conclusions about the historical issue in the question, though these may only be implicitly linked with the analysis and evaluation of the sources. (AO3) The response has some explanation which analyses and appraises historical events and periods in places, and this is linked appropriately to 	
		 some of the judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements is not made explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates some limited knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though lacking detail and in places inaccurate. The question is only partially addressed. (AO1) Information presented is basic and may be ambiguous or unstructured. The information is supported by limited evidence. 	
	0	No response or no response worthy of credit	

Ques	tion 3	How convincing do you find Gruen's interpretation that Augustus suffered "no lapse in authority"? [20 marks]		
	Assessment Objectives AO4 = 15 marks = Analyse and evaluate, in context, modern historians' interpretations of the historical events and topics studied AO1 = 5 marks = Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the historical periods stated and topics studied and topics studied are also as a second are also as		·	
Additional guidance		The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response. Please note that interpretations can be evaluated in the context of the wider historical debate connected with the issue or of the historical context about which the historian was writing. There is no expectation that the interpretation will be evaluated in the context of the methods or approach used by the historian, or how the interpretation may have been affected by the time in which they were writing, though credit can be given for this approach to evaluation if done in a way which is relevant to the question. A learner's knowledge and understanding of the historical period, including the ancient sources may be credited, but only where it is presented in a way which is relevant and intrinsically linked to the analysis/evaluation/use of the interpretation, it should not be credited in isolation.		
Level	Marks	Level descriptors	Indicative content	
Level 5	17–20	 Response has a very through and sustained analysis of the interpretation, in context, to produce a convincing and fully substantiated evaluation in relation to the question. (AO4) The response demonstrates a very good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a sophisticated understanding of historical features and characteristics that are fully relevant to the question. (AO1) 	No set answer is expected. It is possible to reach the highest marks with a conclusion either agreeing or disagreeing with the modern historians' interpretation, or anywhere between providing the response has addressed the issue of extent. Responses should be marked in-line with the level descriptors. Answers should evaluate both the interpretation, locating it within the wider historical debate about the issue, and using their own	
Level 4	13–16	 Response has a through and sustained analysis of the interpretation, in context, to produce a convincing and well supported evaluation in relation to the question. (AO4) The response demonstrates a good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a well-developed understanding of historical features and characteristics that are fully relevant to the question. (AO1) 	 knowledge of the ancient sources and events and periods to reach a judgement about how convincing they find the argument. In locating the interpretation within the wider historical debate, candidates might: discuss the specific powers of Augustus mentioned in the passage discuss the importance of the role of the Praetorian Guard discuss why there were no major constitution changes after 	

Level 3	9–12	 Response has a good analysis of the interpretation, in context, to produce a supported evaluation in relation to the question. (AO4) The response demonstrates a reasonable range of accurate and sometimes detailed knowledge and a reasonable understanding of historical features and characteristics that are relevant to the question. (AO1) 	 assess the extent to which Augustus controlled all aspects of the city or Rome and the empire discuss the methods adopted by Augustus to control the Senate and the army. In evaluating the interpretation, answers might argue that this view is not convincing, pointing towards the following information / ancient sources:
Level 2	5–8	 Response has some analysis of the interpretation, in context, to produce a partially supported evaluation in relation to the question. (AO4) The response demonstrates a limited range of accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though this may lack detail. (AO1) 	 Augustus's presentation of his constitutional position in Res Gestae supported by aureus from 28 BC additional powers granted to Augustus in 19 BC mutinies in the army as told by Pliny pro-Augustan sources which show that the Senate had authority (Velleius and Res Gestae). In evaluating the interpretation, answers might argue that this view is convincing, drawing on the following information / ancient sources:
Level 1	1–4	 Response has a basic analysis of the interpretation, with parts of the answer just describing the interpretation. Response produces a very basic evaluation in relation to the question. (AO4) The response demonstrates some limited knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though lacking detail and in places inaccurate. (AO1) 	 Tacitus' portrayal of Augustus's principate in the Annals book 1 and his assessment of Tribunician Power in Annals book 2 Dio's account of the 1st and 2nd settlements His plans for succession including use of the Tribunician Power His relationship with the Senate and individual Senators.
	0	No response or no response worthy of credit	

Section B: Ruling Roman Britain, AD 43-c.128

Question 4		How useful are these sources for our understanding why Claudius invaded Britain in AD 43? [12 marks]		
Assessment Objectives		AO1 = 6 marks = Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key featur AO3 = 6 marks = Use, analyse and evaluate ancient sources within their histor conclusions about how the portrayal of events by ancient wri they were written/produced.	ical context to make judgements and reach	
Addit guida	ance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other his credited in line with the levels of response.		
Level	Marks	Level descriptors	Indicative content	
Level 6	11–12	 The response demonstrates an excellent range of accurate and very detailed knowledge and a very sophisticated depth of understanding of historical features and characteristics that are fully relevant to the question. (AO1) Response uses a very good range of fully appropriate examples from the set of ancient sources. The set of sources is thoroughly analysed and evaluated to reach substantiated, well-developed judgements about how 	No set answer is expected. It is possible to reach the highest marks with conclusion(s) either way as to the source's usefulness to understanding the issue in question providing the response has addressed the issue of extent. Responses should be marked in-line with the level descriptors.	
		the way the context in which the sources were produced impacts on them and their usefulness for the issue in the question. (AO3)	Candidates may discuss the following information in relation to contents of the source: Gold Stater of Verica	
Level 5	9–10	 The response demonstrates a very good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a sophisticated understanding of historical features and characteristics that are fully relevant to the question. (AO1) Response uses a good range of fully appropriate examples from the set of 	 Use of Latin writing shows some sort of link to the Romans. Mineral wealth of the Atrebates tribe in minting gold coins. 	
Level 3	3 10	ancient sources. The set of sources is thoroughly analysed and evaluated to reach developed judgements about how the way the context in which the sources were produced impacts on them and their usefulness for the issue in the question. (AO3)	 Undoubtedly synonymous with the British ruler called Berikos (Passage 3). Vine-leaf has been suggested as symbolising the pro-Roman outlook of Verica's kingdom, 	
Level 4	7–8	The response demonstrates a good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a well-developed understanding of historical features and characteristics that are fully relevant to the question. (AO1)	suggesting Britain easy to attack as accepting of Romanisation.	
		Response uses a good range of appropriate examples from the set of		

		ancient sources. The set of sources is analysed and evaluated to reach developed judgements about how the way the context in which the sources were produced impacts on them and their usefulness for the issue in the question. (AO3)	Gold Stater of Cunobelin(us) Use of Latin writing shows some sort of link to the Romans.
Level 3	5–6	 The response demonstrates a reasonable range of accurate and sometimes detailed knowledge and a reasonable understanding of historical features and characteristics that are relevant to the question. (AO1) Response uses a reasonable range of appropriate examples from the set of ancient sources. The set of sources is analysed and evaluated to make some basic judgements about how the way the context in which the sources were produced impacts on them and their usefulness for the issue in the question. (AO3) 	 Mineral wealth of the Catuvellauni tribe in minting gold coins and the ear of barely shows agricultural wealth of tribe potentially showing economic benefits for an invasion. Camulodunum originally stronghold occupied by Trinovantes now minting Catuvellauni coins, perhaps reinforcing Suetonius' statement "the island at this time was in turmoil" showing expansion of the tribe (against Caesar's treaty with Cassivellaunus).
Level 2	3–4	 The response demonstrates a limited range of accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though this may lack detail. (AO1) Response uses a few appropriate examples from the set of ancient sources. The set of sources is analysed and evaluated in a basic way to make some basic judgements about how the way the context in which the sources were produced impacts on them and their usefulness for the issue in the question. (AO3) 	 Cassius Dio, Roman History 60.19.1 Suggests that Verica (or Berikos) persuaded Claudius to invade as a result of an uprising in Britain, possibly as a result of the growth of the Catuvellauni. Suetonius, Claudius, 17.1–2 Suggesting Claudius' invasion of Britain was for
Level 1	1–2	 The response demonstrates some limited knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though lacking detail and in places inaccurate. (AO1) Response uses a few appropriate examples from the set of ancient sources. The set of sources is analysed and evaluated in a basic way but judgements about how the context in which the sources were produced impacts on them and their usefulness for the issue in the question are either not present or are not linked to analysis and are merely assertions. (AO3) 	 show and that he put very limited effort into it. Claudius had been officially accepted by the Senate but he was greedy for glory and spoils of war. Britain would get Claudius maximum kudos and mystery surrounding Britain after Augustus / Gaius' failure to invade. Suggests Britain easy to invade as divided / British infighting a threat to Roman trade (especially corn)?
	0	No response or no response worthy of credit	

*Ques	tion 5	'The Britons benefitted from the Roman occupation of Britain throughout the period.' Ho	w far do you agree with this view? [36 marks]	
Assessment Objectives		 AO3 = 18 marks = Use, analyse and evaluate ancient sources within their historical context to make judgements and reach conclusions about: historical events and historical periods studied how the portrayal of events by ancient writers/sources relates to the historical contexts in which they were written/produced. AO2 = 12 marks = Analyse and evaluate historical events and historical periods to arrive at substantiated judgements. AO1 = 6 marks = Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the historical periods studied. Please note that while the descriptors for AO2 and AO3 are given separately in the levels, the analysis and evaluation of sources & historical events and historical periods may be combined in responses. 		
Addit guida		The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content; and other historically valid content is a second content of the content of	valid content is acceptable and should be credited	
Level	Marks	Level descriptors	Indicative content	
Level 6		 Response uses an excellent range of fully appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are very thoroughly analysed and evaluated, to reach very logically reasoned and well-developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw fully substantiated, very convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an excellent explanation that convincingly and very thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated, sustained, and well-developed judgements. (AO2) The response demonstrates an excellent range of accurate and very detailed knowledge and a very sophisticated depth of understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent and logically structured. The information presented is entirely relevant and substantiated. 	No set answer is expected. It is possible to reach the highest marks with conclusion(s) either agreeing, disagreeing, or anywhere between providing the response has addressed the issue of extent. Responses should be marked in-line with the level descriptors. Candidates should look at the term 'the Britons' and expand upon the different groups within this term and different geographical areas. Candidates may look at the similarities and differences between different groups and areas, and also changes over the period in question. Answers are likely to include information on:	
Level 5	25–30	 Response uses a very good range of fully appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are thoroughly analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, well-developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw fully substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has a very good explanation that convincingly and thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach 	 The arrival of the Pax Romana brought an end to a semi-permanent state of warring, raids and mutual enslavement which existed among the British. Physical benefits for client status and benefits for aristocrats. Increasing levels of involvement in 	

		substantiated, sustained and developed and judgements. (AO2) • The response demonstrates a very good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a sophisticated understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information is relevant and in the most part substantiated.	Romanisation saw a growth in other activities connected with trade. Roman goods now available to more than aristocracy. Mixing of British and Roman cultures, including religion. The treatment of Druids and attack on British religion. The development of <i>colonia</i> and the one certain	
Level 4	19–24	 Response uses a good range of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has a good explanation that convincingly and fully analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated and developed judgements. (AO2) The response demonstrates a good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a well-developed understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a line of reasoning with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence. 	 The development of colonia and the one certain municipium (Verulamium) gave the inhabitants advantages over those not covered by Roman or Latin law. Preservation of local identities in the civitates. The loss of native freedom. The increased taxation levied on the population. Exploitation and near-enslavement of the native population by incomers – the downside of the development of villa estates. Supporting source details may include: Archaeology showing Romanisation: Chichester dedication slabs (RIB 91 & 92); Verulamium 	
Level 3	13–18	 Response uses a range of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw supported, plausible conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an explanation that convincingly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach supported judgements, though these are not consistently developed. (AO2) The response demonstrates a reasonable range of accurate and sometimes detailed knowledge and a reasonable understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question through most of the answer. (AO1) The information has some relevance and is presented with limited structure. The information is supported by limited evidence. 	 forum inscription. Strabo, Geography 4.5.1–2, 4.5.4. Tacitus, Agricola. Treatment shown to the British during expansion: Cassius Dio; Tacitus, Annals. Vindolanda Tablets. Colchester, Fishbourne Palace, Lockleys villa. Analysis of the sources might focus on: Most of the literary sources focus on the military expansion; nevertheless Tacitus is keen on impressing the importance of Romanisation as the job of a Roman governor. 	
Level 2	7–12	Response uses some appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach judgements about how the way they portray	 Use of speeches / omens – General rhetorically expressed reasons for the anti-roman 	

		 events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw some supported conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an explanation that analyses and appraises historical events and periods, and this is linked appropriately to judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements may not always be made fully explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates a limited range of accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though this may lack detail. The question is generally addressed, but the response loses focus in places. (AO1) The information has some relevance, but is communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear. 	 sentiments such as over-taxation and burdens of Roman rule need to be evaluated. Much of the archaeology were produced and paid for by aristocrats but this could be compared with the countryside. The limitations of epigraphic evidence in terms of the amount which survives / may survive, and the limited sections of society who made use of it.
Level 1	1–6	 Response uses a limited selection of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated in a basic way, and this is linked to some basic, generalised judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced. There are some basic conclusions about the historical issue in the question, though these may only be implicitly linked with the analysis and evaluation of the sources. (AO3) The response has some explanation which analyses and appraises historical events and periods in places, and this is linked appropriately to some of the judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements is not made explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates some limited knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though lacking detail and in places inaccurate. The question is only partially addressed. (AO1) Information presented is basic and may be ambiguous or unstructured. The information is supported by limited evidence. 	
	0	No response or no response worthy of credit	

*Question 6		'Boudicca's rebellion was a direct result of widespread mistreatment of the Britons by you agree with this view?	the Romans since the invasion of AD 43.' How far do [36 marks]	
Assessment Objectives		 AO3 = 18 marks = Use, analyse and evaluate ancient sources within their historical context to make judgements and reach conclusions about: historical events and historical periods studied how the portrayal of events by ancient writers/sources relates to the historical contexts in which they were written/produced. AO2 = 12 marks = Analyse and evaluate historical events and historical periods to arrive at substantiated judgements AO1 = 6 marks = Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the key features and characteristics of the historical periods studied. Please note that while the descriptors for AO2 and AO3 are given separately in the levels, the analysis and evaluation of sources & historical events and historical periods may be combined in responses. 		
Addit guid	tional ance	The 'Indicative content' is an example of historically valid content; any other historically valid content is acceptable and should be credited in line with the levels of response.		
Level	Marks	Level descriptors	Indicative content	
Level 6	31–36	 Response uses an excellent range of fully appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are very thoroughly analysed and evaluated, to reach very logically reasoned and well-developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw fully substantiated, very convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an excellent explanation that convincingly and very thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated, sustained, and well-developed judgements. (AO2) The response demonstrates an excellent range of accurate and very detailed knowledge and a very sophisticated depth of understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a well-developed and sustained line of reasoning which is coherent and logically structured. The information presented is entirely relevant and substantiated. 	No set answer is expected. It is possible to reach the highest marks with conclusion(s) either agreeing, disagreeing, or anywhere between providing the response has addressed the issue of extent. Responses should be marked in-line with the level descriptors. Candidates will need to analyse the causes of the Boudiccan revolt to ascertain whether it was as a result of widespread mistreatment. There should be an awareness of the variety of treatment over the timeframe in question with the encouragement of client kings, but what appears to be a sudden change in the period just before AD 60 under Nero. Answers are likely to include some information on:	
Level 5	25–30	 Response uses a very good range of fully appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are thoroughly analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, well-developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw fully substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) 	 Immediate causes of the rebellion as covered by Tacitus and Cassius Dio. Conquest and insistence on compliance with Roman rule: Caratacus and the Silures rebellion; early treatment of the Iceni, disarming the 	

		 The response has a very good explanation that convincingly and thoroughly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated, sustained and developed and judgements. (AO2) The response demonstrates a very good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a sophisticated understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a well-developed line of reasoning which is clear and logically structured. The information is relevant and in the most part substantiated. Response uses a good range of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. 	population even in client kingdoms; Attitude of anti-Roman Venutius against Cartimandua in Brigantia; Attack on Mona attempting to wipe out Druids and rebellion stronghold. • More positive aspects: trade, political links, use made of client kings who seems to have accepted Roman terms after initial trouble in AD 47, growth of some towns, trade, known from archaeology. • Further divergences which suggest hostility not
Level 4	19–24	 Response uses a good range of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned, developed judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw substantiated and convincing conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has a good explanation that convincingly and fully analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach substantiated and developed judgements. (AO2) The response demonstrates a good range of accurate and detailed knowledge and a well-developed understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question throughout the answer. (AO1) There is a line of reasoning with some structure. The information presented is in the most-part relevant and supported by some evidence. 	 only to the Romans but also to Romanized Britons. Supporting source details may include: Tacitus, Annals 12.31–40, 14.29–30 – Ostorius Scapula to Diduius Gallus AD 47–52, attack on Mona AD 60. Tacitus, Annals 14.31–37, 14.38–39 – Revolt and aftermath. Cassius Dio, Roman History 62.1.1–3.4, 62.7.1–9.2 – Revolt and Boudicca's death. Suetonius, Vespasian 4.1–2 – Viciousness of invading Roman troops and fierceness of British opposition.
Level 3	13–18	 Response uses a range of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach logically reasoned judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw supported, plausible conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an explanation that convincingly analyses and appraises historical events and periods in order to reach supported judgements, though these are not consistently developed. (AO2) The response demonstrates a reasonable range of accurate and sometimes detailed knowledge and a reasonable understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics. There is a consistent focus on the question through most of the answer. (AO1) The information has some relevance and is presented with limited structure. The information is supported by limited evidence. 	 Coins Verica / Cunobelin(us), Suetonius, Claudius, 17.1–2. Chichester dedication slab / dedication to Nero – demonstrating citizenship granted to leading Britons. Arch of Claudius – celebrating military might over British tribes. Analysis of the sources might focus on: The sole reliance on Cassius Dio (for AD 43) and Tacitus (AD 47–59) and the similarities/differences for their versions of the revolt. The bias and purposes of the different authors.

Level 2	7–12	 Response uses some appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated, to reach judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced, and to draw some supported conclusions about the historical issue in the question. (AO3) The response has an explanation that analyses and appraises historical events and periods, and this is linked appropriately to judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements may not always be made fully explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates a limited range of accurate knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though this may lack detail. The question is generally addressed, but the response loses focus in places. (AO1) The information has some relevance, but is communicated in an unstructured way. The information is supported by limited evidence and the relationship to the evidence may not be clear. 	 Use of speeches / omens – General rhetorically expressed reasons for the rebellion such as over-taxation and burdens of Roman rule need to be evaluated – did other tribes not join in – if not why? Archaeology may be discussed in this context – Colchester, London, Verulamium, debate on the 'Boudiccan destruction event horizon'.
Level 1	1–6	 Response uses a limited selection of appropriate examples from the ancient sources. The sources are analysed and evaluated in a basic way, and this is linked to some basic, generalised judgements about how the way they portray events relates to the context in which they were produced. There are some basic conclusions about the historical issue in the question, though these may only be implicitly linked with the analysis and evaluation of the sources. (AO3) The response has some explanation which analyses and appraises historical events and periods in places, and this is linked appropriately to some of the judgements made, though the way in which it supports the judgements is not made explicit. (AO2) The response demonstrates some limited knowledge and understanding of relevant historical features and characteristics, though lacking detail and in places inaccurate. The question is only partially addressed. (AO1) Information presented is basic and may be ambiguous or unstructured. The information is supported by limited evidence. 	
	0	No response or no response worthy of credit	

Assessment Objective Grid

	Distribution of marks for each Assessment Objective			
Section A	AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4
Questions 1 & 2	5	10	15	-
Question 3	5	-	-	15
Section B	AO1	AO2	AO3	AO4
Question 4	6	-	6	-
Questions 5 & 6	6	12	18	-
TOTAL	22 (22.5%)	22 (22.5%)	39 (40%)	15 (15%)