

# GCSE (9–1)

## **Classical Civilisation**

### J199/21: The Homeric world

General Certificate of Secondary Education

## Mark Scheme for Autumn 2021

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Annotation	Meaning
BP	Blank Page
SEEN	Seen
<b>V</b>	Tick
~~~	Questionable idea
	Incorrect
?	Unclear
	Omission
REP	Repetition
BOD	Benefit of Doubt
TV	Too Vague
S	Spelling
Highlight	Cross credit answer to another question

Question	Indicative Content	Marks (AO)	Guidance
Section A			
1	Which Mycenaean building is shown in Source A?		
	One from: • The palace (1) • The megaron (1)	1 (AO1)	
2a	<ul> <li>Describe the precise location of this building within the city of Mycenae.</li> <li>It was situated high up</li> <li>It was central / It was away from the walls</li> </ul>	2 (AO1)	
2b	<ul> <li>Give two reasons why it was situated here.</li> <li>Two from: <ul> <li>Attackers would be tired when attacking (1)</li> <li>Defenders could have a good view of attackers (1)</li> <li>It symbolised the importance of those who lived there (1)</li> <li>Attackers would take longer to get to it (1)</li> <li>Easier to throw projectiles from above (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2 (AO2)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately
3	State two different uses for this area.         Two from:         • Religious activities (1)         • Feasts / Cooking (1)         • Throne room (1)         • Poetry performance (1)         • Meetings (1)	2 (AO1)	Accept other uses from centres other than Mycenae: Archive room Waiting room Store-room Bathroom

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4	Describe two ways in which the woman in Source B is typical of Mycenaean women. Two from: • Many layered skirt (1) • Thin blouse (1) • Breasts revealed (1) • Necklace (1) • Bodice (1)	2 (AO1)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately.
5	Name one material that the Mycenaeans used to make clothes. One from: Wool (1) Linen (1)	1 (AO1)	Accept silk
6a	Describe two other features of the clothing or appearance of Mycenaean women that are not shown in this image. Two from: Multicoloured (1) Underskirt (1) Short skirts (1) Robes (1) Shawls (1) Headbands (1) Head covering (1) Bracelets/Anklets (1) Hair in strands (1) Bracelets (1)	2 (AO1)	Do not accept "jewellery" without a specific example as there is a necklace visible.

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6b	<ul> <li>What can we tell about Mycenaean culture from this piece of sculpture?</li> <li>One from: <ul> <li>Use of trade (1)</li> <li>Wealth (1)</li> <li>Partial nudity seen as acceptable (1)</li> <li>Liked to wear jewellery (1)</li> <li>Skilled craftsmen (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	1 (AO2)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately.
7	<ul> <li>What type of burial site is shown in Source C?</li> <li>One from: <ul> <li>Tholos tomb (1)</li> <li>Beehive tomb (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	1 (AO1)	
8	<ul> <li>Describe three customs that would have been part of a Mycenaean burial.</li> <li>Three pairs from: <ul> <li>The body would be adorned (1) with jewellery (1) / death mask / to show the wealth of the individual (1)</li> <li>The grave would have contained precious objects (1) such as gold (1) / possibly for the deceased to use in the afterlife (1)</li> <li>A funeral feast (1) / drink offering (1) / sacrifice (1) would have been had to honour the deceased (1) / gods (1)</li> <li>A stele would have been placed (1) to mark the position of the deceased (1) / to honour the deceased (1)</li> <li>Female mourners (1) wore elaborate clothing (1) as a sign of respect (1) / wealth (1)</li> <li>Animals might be killed (1) and put in the grave (1) as respect (1) / company in the afterlife (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	3 (AO1) 3 (AO2)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately. Do not credit how graves were dug or how tombs were built. Discussion should only be about the act of burial.

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9	How were burial sites like the one shown in Source C created by the Mycenaeans?		
	<ul> <li>Three from:</li> <li>Dug (1)</li> <li>Used the natural shape of a hill (1)</li> <li>Corbelled roof (1)</li> <li>Covered with earth (1)</li> <li>Lintel / Triangular stone relieved pressure from the weight of the roof (1)</li> <li>Blocks raised using ramps and rollers (1)</li> <li>Creation of a dromos (1)</li> </ul>	2 (AO1)	
10	<ul> <li>"The Mycenaeans were excellent craftsmen." How far do you agree with this assessment? In your response you should use Source D as a starting point and consider one other piece of metalwork.</li> <li><u>AO1</u> <ul> <li>Item shown is a pyxis</li> <li>It shows lions chasing deer and antelopes among palm trees, cattle, spirals</li> <li>It is a wooden box covered in gold plates</li> <li>Other items likely to be chosen for discussion include the Mask of Agamemnon, Lion hunt Dagger, Rhyta, Vapheio cups, signet rings etc</li> </ul> </li> <li>Candidates should describe in detail the appearance of another piece of metalwork</li> </ul>	8 (See LoR page 11)	<ul> <li>The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately.</li> <li>Expect precise discussion of what the chosen object shows for a mark in the top band.</li> <li>Credit appropriate discussion of where craftsmanship is not seen as excellent.</li> <li>If no other piece of pottery of metalwork is discussed, candidates should be awarded 4 marks if there is excellent discussion and analysis of the pyxis.</li> </ul>
	AO2     Pyxis shows repoussé technique and filigree		

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	<ul> <li>It shows minute details, has dynamic presentation, uniformity of design etc.</li> <li>Expect discussion of manufacturing techniques (e.g. granulation, inlay, repoussé) used in making metal objects and discussion of shape, decoration and practicality on pottery items.</li> </ul>		

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Level	Mark	Characteristics of Performance
4	7–8	<ul> <li>consistently accurate and detailed knowledge and understanding of classical sources, using <b>both</b> those given in assessment <b>and</b> own wider knowledge (AO1) shows very good understanding of the sources' cultural contexts <b>and</b> possible interpretations</li> <li>a well-argued response to the question which is supported by a range of well-selected evidence (AO2) includes critical analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
3	5–6	<ul> <li>accurate knowledge and understanding of classical sources, using <b>both</b> those given in assessment <b>and</b> own wider knowledge (AO1) shows good understanding of the sources' cultural contexts <b>and/or</b> possible interpretations</li> <li>a focused response to the question which is supported by a range of evidence (AO2) includes relevant analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
2	3–4	<ul> <li>sound, mostly accurate, knowledge and understanding of classical sources, using <b>both</b> those given in assessment <b>and</b> own wider knowledge (AO1) shows some understanding of the sources' cultural contexts <b>and/or</b> possible interpretations</li> <li>engages with the general topic of the question, and is supported by limited range of evidence (AO2) includes some analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
1	1–2	<ul> <li>limited knowledge and understanding of classical sources; responses may only make use of the sources given in the assessment (AO1) shows limited understanding of the sources' cultural contexts and/or possible interpretations</li> <li>little attempt at a very basic explanation of the topic of the question, supported by a few references to evidence (AO2) includes isolated analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
0	0	No response or no response worthy of credit

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11	"We gain a clearer idea of what warfare was like from the design of		The indicative content is a
	Mycenaean cities than from the objects that have been found within them."		description of possible content
	How far do you agree with this assessment?		only; all legitimate answers and
			approaches must be credited
	<u>A01</u>	15	appropriately.
	• Mycenae and Tiryns were surrounded by Cyclopean Walls, suggesting a	(See LoR	
	need to keep out invaders.	page 14)	
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	<ul> <li>Troy was famed for its walls, towers and gates in Homer.</li> </ul>		
	Huge entrance gates (e.g. Lion Gate) back this up		
	<ul> <li>Mycenae was built on a hill that was surrounded by ravines on three sides</li> </ul>		
	Mycenae and Tiryns had long entrance ramps to tire attackers		
	<ul> <li>The killing boxes of Tiryns show attacks through the main gate were expected</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Sally ports and cisterns suggest evidence of siege warfare</li> </ul>		
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	<ul> <li>The Silver Siege rhyton shows a siege in action</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Linear B tablets suggest preparations against a naval attack</li> </ul>		
	The Warrior Vase shows appearance of soldiers		
	• The Dendra panoply, boars tusk helmets, swords, daggers and spears		
	show equipment used in warfare		
	<ul> <li>Frescos and The Lion Hunt dagger show figure of eight shields, tower</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Frescos and the Lion hunt dagger show light of eight shields, lower shields and bows</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>A gold Signet ring shows use of bows and chariots</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The Pylos Combat Agate shows a warrior plunging a spear into a</li> </ul>		
	helmeted foe.		
	<u>AO2</u>		
	Candidates may conclude that cities show a clearer picture of warfare:		
	• Defences would have been a monumental construction which would only		
	be done if there was a major threat of war		
	• A major factor in where to site a city was often how the topography		
	helped the defenders		
	<ul> <li>Some objects are open to interpretation (e.g. dating of Warrior Vase,</li> </ul>		

objects showing hunting may not be accurate for war situations)	
<ul> <li>Candidates may conclude that objects show a clearer picture of warfare:</li> <li>Cities only show there was a threat and do not give any indication of how soldiers were equipped</li> <li>As cities constantly changed it is hard to evaluate the threat of war at the start of the period</li> <li>Objects show the changing nature of warfare (e.g. the different shields shown in frescoes from early in the period to the later shields of the Warrior Vase)</li> <li>Some cities have few defences (e.g. Pylos had no walls)</li> <li>Some defence aspects of cities are far from clear (e.g. Sally ports seem too narrow and visible to be very effective)</li> </ul>	

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		<ul> <li>very good analysis and interpretation of a wide range of well-selected evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		coherent argument with a clear line of reasoning, successful evaluation of sources, and convincing conclusions (AO2)
4	10 – 12	<ul> <li>good, accurate knowledge and understanding of classical sources with clear understanding of the sources' cultural contexts and possible interpretations (AO1)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>good analysis and interpretation of a wide range of relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>consistently well-structured argument, consistent evaluation of sources, and sound conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
3	7 – 9	<ul> <li>reasonable, mostly accurate, knowledge and understanding of classical sources with reasonable understanding of the sources' cultural contexts and/or possible interpretations (AO1)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>reasonable analysis and interpretation of a range of relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>argument is on the whole appropriately structured, reasonable evaluation of sources, and relevant conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
2	4 – 6	<ul> <li>basic knowledge and understanding of classical sources, with basic understanding of the sources' cultural contexts and/or possible interpretations (AO1)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>basic analysis and interpretation of some relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>argument has some structure, some evaluation of sources, and some credible conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
1	1 – 3	<ul> <li>limited knowledge and understanding of classical sources with little understanding of the sources' cultural contexts and/or possible interpretations (AO1)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>limited analysis and interpretation of little relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>some attempt at reasoning, isolated use of sources, and weak conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
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12	"We can gain a full understanding of Mycenaean life by studying only frescoes." How far do you agree with this assessment?		The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and
	<u>AO1</u>		approaches must be credited appropriately.
	Candidates should discuss a variety of frescoes. These may include ones depicting:	15	
	Hunting	(See LoR	Candidates may discuss what
	• Women	page 16)	other areas are needed to
	Fisherman fresco		discuss to gain a full
	Ship fresco		understanding (e.g. armour and
	Boxers		weapons more useful for
	Saffron gatherers		assessing warfare), but this
	Shields		should not be the main focus.
	Patterns		
	Chariot frescoes		
	Religious scenes		
	Animals		
	<u>AO2</u>		
	Candidates should discuss what we can learn from these frescoes. This may include:		
	How and what the Mycenaeans hunted		
	Garments of men and women		
	What jobs were done		
	What equipment was used in warfare		
	How the Mycenaeans travelled		
	How frescoes were made/their craftsmanship		
	Candidates should discuss the limitations of frescoes for our understanding of life. This		
	may include:		
	<ul> <li>Frescoes can be hard to interpret (e.g are women goddesses, what does the ship fresco show)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>They often seem to highlight the elite or idealised images</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Relatively few frescoes survive in excellent preservation and detail</li> </ul>		

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Section A			
13	<ul> <li>Describe how a "bard" (line 1) would have entertained guests at a banquet? Make two points.</li> <li>By reciting stories / singing (1)</li> <li>To the accompaniment of a lyre (1)</li> </ul>	2 (AO1)	
14	<ul> <li>What impression do you get of Odysseus from this passage? Make two points.</li> <li>Two pairs from: <ul> <li>Arrogant (1) as he says the whole world knows his name (1)</li> <li>Polite (1) / flattering (1) as he calls Alcinous "most illustrious" (1)</li> <li>Eloquent (1) as he conveys the pleasures of feasting (1)</li> <li>Self-pitying (1) as he talks of his troubles (1)</li> <li>Patriotic (1) as he talks fondly of Ithaca (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2 (AO1) 2 (AO2)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately. Two marks are awarded for identification of suitable parts of the passage (AO1), and two for suitable analysis of them (AO2).
15	<ul> <li>Name two typical features of epic poetry used in Source E. Quote an example of each feature.</li> <li>Two from: <ul> <li>Epithet – most illustrous (1)</li> <li>Patronym – son of Laertes (1)</li> <li>Listing – names of islands (1)</li> <li>Personification – "quivering leaves" (1)</li> <li>Use of direct speech (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2 (AO1)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately. Literary terms not essential, but the answer must contain a quotation and a term/explanation of the term for each mark.
16	<ul> <li>How does Homer create a memorable description of the death of Antinous in Source F. Make three points.</li> <li>Three pairs from:         <ul> <li>Dramatic start (1) as Odysseus throws off his rags (1) / sprang (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	3 (AO1) 3	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately.

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	<ul> <li>Foreshadowing (1) as the arrow is described as deadly (1)</li> <li>Precise detail (1) of the golden, two-handled cup (1)</li> <li>Rhetorical question (1) to show how unexpected Antinous' death was (1)</li> <li>Sympathy for Antinous (1) / reminder of his inferiority (1) as he has a tender throat (1)</li> <li>Violence of his death (1) as blood gushes from his nostrils (1)</li> <li>Symbolism (1) of him kicking his food onto the floor (1)</li> </ul>	(AO2)	Three marks are awarded for identification of suitable parts of the passage (AO1), and three for suitable analysis of them (AO2).
17	<ul> <li>Why do you think Antinous is the first suitor to be killed? Make two points.</li> <li>Two from: <ul> <li>He is the leading suitor (1)</li> <li>His was the greatest offence (1)</li> <li>He had been the rudest to the beggar (1)</li> <li>It is the most shocking killing (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2 (AO1)	Accept answers that discuss the killing from Odysseus' point of view (e.g. if he takes out the leader, it will be easier to kill the rest).
18a	<ul> <li>How did the Suitors react to the death of Antinous in the lines that immediately follow Source F? Do not discuss what Eurymachus said.</li> <li>Two from: <ul> <li>There was uproar (1)</li> <li>They tried to grab weapons (1)</li> <li>They threatened to kill Odysseus (1)</li> <li>They thought it had been an accident (1)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2 (AO1)	No credit for discussing Eurymachus trying to blame the behaviour of the suitors on Antinous.
18b	Suggest one impression that you form of the Suitors from their reaction.         One from:         • They are foolish (1)         • They are enraged (1)         • They are violent (1)	1 (AO2)	Candidates do not need to justify their opinion of the suitors.

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19	<ul> <li>What was Eumaeus' job?</li> <li>Swineherd / in charge of the pigs</li> </ul>	1 (AO1)	Accept "to give Odysseus the bow" from the passage
20	<ul> <li>What had Odysseus promised to Eumaeus and Philoetius if they were to help him? Give two details.</li> <li>A wife (1)</li> <li>Goods (1)</li> <li>Build a house for them (1)</li> <li>Regard them as friends / brothers of Telemachus (1)</li> </ul>	2 (AO2)	
21	<ul> <li>How important are Odysseus' loyal slaves to the story of the Odyssey? Use Source G as a starting point and your own knowledge in your answer</li> <li><u>AO1</u></li> <li>Candidates should discuss what his slaves do in the Odyssey. This might include: <ul> <li>In the passage, Eumaeus gives Odysseus the bow</li> <li>In the passage, Philoetius bars the courtyard gate</li> <li>Both kill suitors in the battle</li> <li>Both catch Melanthius getting weapons for the suitors and tie him up</li> <li>Eurycleia washes Odysseus and recognises him</li> <li>She promises not to reveal his identity</li> <li>She closes the doors of the hall</li> <li>She reveals that 12 maids had been disloyal</li> <li>Phemius the bard and Medon the herald are spared on Telemachus' orders.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	8 (See p21)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately. Do not credit discussion of disloyal slaves.

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	<ul> <li>Slaves are central to the idea of justice. Those that are loyal and helpful are saved and rewarded.</li> <li>Without the help of his loyal slaves, it would have been hard for Odysseus to have done everything he needed to do to win.</li> <li>The recognition by Eurycleia adds to the story by providing tension</li> <li>Phemius and Medon are used to show the villainy of the suitors</li> <li>Some may feel the slaves are not important:</li> <li>Euraeus and Philoetius do not kill many suitors</li> <li>Eurycleia does little apart from closing the door.</li> <li>We don't see Phemius and Medon doing anything</li> </ul>		

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4	7–8	<ul> <li>consistently accurate and detailed knowledge and understanding of classical sources, using <b>both</b> those given in assessment <b>and</b> own wider knowledge (AO1) shows very good understanding of the sources' cultural contexts <b>and</b> possible interpretations</li> <li>a well-argued response to the question which is supported by a range of well-selected evidence (AO2) includes critical analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
3	5–6	<ul> <li>accurate knowledge and understanding of classical sources, using <b>both</b> those given in assessment <b>and</b> own wider knowledge (AO1) shows good understanding of the sources' cultural contexts <b>and/or</b> possible interpretations</li> <li>a focused response to the question which is supported by a range of evidence (AO2) includes relevant analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
2	3–4	<ul> <li>sound, mostly accurate, knowledge and understanding of classical sources, using <b>both</b> those given in assessment <b>and</b> own wider knowledge (AO1) shows some understanding of the sources' cultural contexts <b>and/or</b> possible interpretations</li> <li>engages with the general topic of the question, and is supported by limited range of evidence (AO2) includes some analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
1	1–2	<ul> <li>limited knowledge and understanding of classical sources; responses may only make use of the sources given in the assessment (AO1) shows limited understanding of the sources' cultural contexts and/or possible interpretations</li> <li>little attempt at a very basic explanation of the topic of the question, supported by a few references to evidence (AO2) includes isolated analysis, interpretation and evaluation</li> </ul>
0	0	No response or no response worthy of credit

22	<ul> <li>"Books 9 and 10 of the Odyssey are thoroughly enjoyable for a modern reader". How far do you agree with this assessment?</li> <li><u>AO1</u></li> <li>Candidates should discuss a variety of episodes from books 9 and 10. These may include: <ul> <li>The introduction to the tales by Odysseus</li> <li>The Cicones</li> <li>The Lotus eaters</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	15 (See LoR page 23)	The indicative content is a description of possible content only; all legitimate answers and approaches must be credited appropriately.
	<ul> <li>The Lotus eaters</li> <li>The build-up to the meeting with Polyphemus</li> <li>Polyphemus eating members of the crew</li> <li>The blinding and escape from Polyphemus' island</li> <li>Aeolus</li> <li>The Laestrygonians</li> <li>The arrival on Aeaea and the transformation of the men</li> <li>Odysseus overcoming Circe</li> <li>The hospitality of Circe towards the crew and her instructions</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li><u>AO2</u></li> <li>Candidates should discuss to what extent the episodes are thoroughly enjoyable. This may include: <ul> <li>Use of magic and monsters</li> <li>Use of gore</li> <li>Creation of tension</li> <li>Variety of interesting characters and settings</li> <li>The characters of Odysseus and the crew</li> <li>Narrative features such as similes and formulae</li> <li>Themes such as xenia and love</li> <li>Some parts might be felt to be slower (arrival on Polyphemus' island), predictable (sleeping with Circe) or less memorable (Circe's instructions)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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5	13 – 15	• very good, detailed and accurate knowledge and understanding of classical sources with detailed understanding of the sources'
		cultural contexts <b>and</b> possible interpretations (AO1)
		<ul> <li>very good analysis and interpretation of a wide range of well-selected evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>coherent argument with a clear line of reasoning, successful evaluation of sources, and convincing conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
4	10 – 12	• good, accurate knowledge and understanding of classical sources with clear understanding of the sources' cultural contexts and
		possible interpretations (AO1)
		<ul> <li>good analysis and interpretation of a wide range of relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>consistently well-structured argument, consistent evaluation of sources, and sound conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
3	7 – 9	• reasonable, mostly accurate, knowledge and understanding of classical sources with reasonable understanding of the sources'
		cultural contexts <b>and/or</b> possible interpretations (AO1)
		<ul> <li>reasonable analysis and interpretation of a range of relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>argument is on the whole appropriately structured, reasonable evaluation of sources, and relevant conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
2	4 – 6	• basic knowledge and understanding of classical sources, with basic understanding of the sources' cultural contexts <b>and/or</b> possible
		interpretations (AO1)
		<ul> <li>basic analysis and interpretation of some relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>argument has some structure, some evaluation of sources, and some credible conclusions (AO2)</li> </ul>
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		interpretations (AO1)
		<ul> <li>limited analysis and interpretation of little relevant evidence (AO2)</li> </ul>
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23	"In books 19, 21 and 22, we see Odysseus as a perfect hero."		The indicative content is a
	How far do you agree with this assessment?		description of possible content
			only; all legitimate answers and
	<u>A01</u>		approaches must be credited
		15	appropriately.
	Candidates should discuss a variety of episodes from books 19, 21 and 22.	(See LoR	-1-1
	These may include:	page 24)	
	The plans of Odysseus for the contest	1 3 7	
	His meeting with Penelope		
	<ul> <li>His actions on being discovered by Eurycleia</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>His request to string the bow</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The stringing of the bow</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>The killing of the suitors and the disloyal slaves</li> </ul>		
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	The sparing of the loyal slaves		
	<u>AO2</u>		
	Candidates should discuss to what extent he is a perfect hero. This may include:		
	Carefully planning how to get the bow and ensure the suitors cannot		
	escape		
	Being steadfast and not revealing his identity to Penelope for fear it		
	would ruin the punishment of the suitors		
	<ul> <li>His patience and composure as the suitors try the bow and abuse him</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>His fighting skills in killing the suitors</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>His leadership skills over Telemachus, Eumaeus and Philoetius</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>His decision to kill all the suitors and disloyal maids. Candidates may feel</li> </ul>		
	that as a Greek king, he has to deal with disloyalty in a brutal way to send		
	out a message		
	<ul> <li>His sense of mercy and affection towards his loyal slaves</li> </ul>		
	His lack of gloating over his victory		
	• Candidates may feel that he is not a perfect hero as the suitors are killed		
	mercilessly. There is no trial for any of them, nor any concept of a degree		
	of guilt (e.g. Leodes and Amphinomous).		
	<ul> <li>The maids and Melanthius are brutally killed which we may feel is</li> </ul>		

and the actual killing of Melanthius is not done by Odysseus. Would ancient listeners have felt sympathy?		barbaric. However, Odysseus did plan to give the maids a decent death, and the actual killing of Melanthius is not done by Odysseus. Would ancient listeners have felt sympathy?			
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