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GCSE (9–1) Classical Greek

J292/02 Prose Literature A

Time allowed: 1 hour



Do not use:

- a dictionary



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INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If you need extra space use the lined pages at the end of this booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Answer **all** the questions.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **50**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document has **12** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **all** the questions.

1 Read the passage and answer the questions.

οἱ δὲ Αἰθίοπες οὗτοι λέγονται εἶναι μέγιστοι καὶ κάλλιστοι ἀνθρώπων πάντων· νόμοις δὲ καὶ ἄλλοις χρῶνται κεχωρισμένοις τῶν ἄλλων ἀνθρώπων καὶ δὴ καὶ κατὰ τὴν βασιλείαν τοιῶδε· ὃν ἂν τῶν ἀστῶν κρίνωσι μέγιστόν τε εἶναι καὶ κατὰ τὸ μέγεθος ἔχειν τὴν ἰσχύν, τοῦτον ἀξιοῦσι βασιλεύειν.

Tales from Herodotus XV(B) 1.22–27

- (a) οἱ δὲ Αἰθίοπες οὗτοι λέγονται εἶναι μέγιστοι καὶ κάλλιστοι ἀνθρώπων πάντων (line 1): what physical characteristics, according to Herodotus, distinguish the Ethiopians?

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 [3]

- (b) νόμοις δὲ καὶ ἄλλοις χρῶνται κεχωρισμένοις τῶν ἄλλων ἀνθρώπων καὶ δὴ καὶ κατὰ τὴν βασιλείαν τοιῶδε (lines 2–3).

Pick out and translate a **Greek word** which shows that Ethiopian customs are unusual.

Greek word:
English translation:

[2]

- (c) ὃν ἂν τῶν ἀστῶν κρίνωσι ... ἀξιοῦσι βασιλεύειν (lines 3–4):

- (i) how do the Ethiopians choose their king?

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- (ii) what do you think of this method of selection? Give a reason for your answer.

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 [2]

3 Read the passage and answer the questions.

πρὸς ταῦτα ὁ Αἰθίοψ ἔφη οὐδὲν θαυμάζειν εἰ σιτούμενοι κόπρον ἔτη ὀλίγα ζῶσιν· οὐδὲ γὰρ ἂν τοσαῦτα ἔφη δύνασθαι ζῆν αὐτούς, εἰ μὴ τῷ πώματι ἀνέφερον (φράζων τὸν οἶνον)· τούτῳ γὰρ ἑαυτοὺς ὑπὸ Περσῶν ἠττᾶσθαι.

Tales from Herodotus XV(B) 2.17–21

- (a) πρὸς ταῦτα ... ζῶσιν (lines 1–2): what opinion does the Ethiopian king express about the Persians' diet?

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- (b) οὐδὲ γὰρ ἂν ... ὑπὸ Περσῶν ἠττᾶσθαι (lines 2–3): what does the king say about the Persians' drink? Make **two** points.

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- (c) How much longer than a Persian might an Ethiopian expect to live?

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7* 'Herodotus writes about cultural differences purely for entertainment.' Do you agree?

You should support your answer with a range of references to the stories you have read, and you may include passages printed on the question paper. **[10]**

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ADDITIONAL ANSWER SPACE

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