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GCSE (9–1) Ancient History

J198/11 The Persian Empire

Time allowed: 1 hour



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **60**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and the use of specialist terminology will be assessed in questions marked with a pencil (✎).
- This document has **4** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

The Persian Empire, 559–465 BC

Answer **all** the questions.

- 1 (a) Name **one** of the peoples Darius conquered. [1]
- (b) Give **two** reasons why Darius had the Bisitun (Behistun) inscription constructed. [2]
- (c) Name **one** battle fought between Greeks and Persians between 490 and 479 BC. [1]
- 2 Outline the main features of the Battle of Salamis. [6]

Source A

When I (Cyrus) entered Babylon in a peaceful manner, I made my home in the royal palace amidst rejoicing and happiness. Marduk, the great lord, established as his fate for me a generous heart of one who loves Babylon, and I daily attended to his worship.

I sought the welfare of the city of Babylon and all its sacred centres. As for the citizens of Babylon, I relieved their weariness and freed them from their service. Marduk, the great lord, rejoiced over my good deeds. By his noble word, all the kings who sit upon thrones throughout the world, from the Upper Sea to the Lower Sea, ... brought their heavy tribute before me and in Babylon they kissed my feet.

From Babylon to Aššur and from ... Zamban, Me-Turnu, Der, as far as the region of Gutium, ... I returned the images of the gods, who had resided there, to their places and I let them dwell in eternal homes. I gathered all their inhabitants and returned them to their homes.

'The Cyrus Cylinder'

- 3 Using details from **Source A** and your own knowledge, what can we learn about how Cyrus wished to be seen by people in his empire? [10]
- 4 Using details from **Source A** and your own knowledge, how similarly did Cyrus and Cambyses treat the peoples they conquered? [15]
- 5* 'The building projects of the Persians were their greatest achievement.' How far do you agree with this view? [20]

(✎) Spelling, punctuation and grammar and the use of specialist terminology [5]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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