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A Level Classical Civilisation

H408/22 Imperial Image

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes



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 in Section A and **one** question in Section B.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **75**.
- 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 **4** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Section A

Start your answer to each 10, 20 and 30 mark question on a new page.

Source A: Two coins showing Augustus

Coin 1

Denarius, obv. bare head of Octavian, rev. Pax standing left holding olive branch and cornucopia

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Coin 2

Aureus, obv. head of Octavian, rev. Octavian seated on bench holding scroll

Inscription: IMP CAESAR DIVI F COS VI // LEGES ET IVRA P R RESTITVIT- Emperor Caesar, son of a god, consul for the sixth time // He has restored to the people of Rome their laws and their rights



- 1 In **Coin 1**, what does Pax represent? [1]
- 2 What metal is **Coin 2** made from? [1]
- 3 In what year was **Coin 2** produced? [1]
- 4 Explain how the coins in **Source A** create a positive image of Augustus. [10]

Source B**Suetonius, The Lives of the Twelve Caesars: Augustus 10–11**

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- 5 Who was Decimus Brutus (line 8)? [1]
- 6 In what year was Mark Antony defeated at Mutina? [1]
- 7 Explain how far Suetonius gives a negative image of Augustus in **Source B**. [10]
- 8* 'Augustus successfully presented his actions up to 27BC as ending civil war and liberating the Republic.'

Explain how far you agree with this statement.

You may use **Sources A** and/or **B** as a starting point in your answer. [20]

[Section A Total: 45]

Section B

Answer **one** question from this section.

Use classical sources, and secondary sources, scholars and/or academic works to support your argument. You should also consider possible interpretations of sources by different audiences.

Either

- 9*** Assess how far the sources you have studied show that Augustus was able to portray himself as the perfect Roman man. **[30]**

Or

- 10*** Assess how far Augustus was successful in presenting the wars fought at the edges of the Empire as being beneficial to Rome and to individual Romans.

Justify your response with reference to the sources you have studied. **[30]**

[Section B Total: 30]

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