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Latin

Standard level

Paper 1

6 May 2024

Zone A afternoon | **Zone B** afternoon | **Zone C** afternoon

1 hour 30 minutes

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer the questions in one option.
- A dictionary is permitted for this examination paper.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[30 marks]**.

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Answer **all** questions in **one** option.

Option A

Prose — Apuleius, *Metamorphoses* 5.22–23

Psyche seeks to find out the secret identity of her husband. While he sleeps, she takes a lamp to illuminate his face and discovers that her husband is the god Cupid.

ante lectuli pedes iacebat arcus et pharetra et sagittae, magni dei propitia tela; quae dum insatiabili animo Psyche, satis et curiosa, rimatur¹ atque pertractat et mariti sui miratur arma, depromit unam de pharetra sagittam et puncto pollicis extremam aciem periclitabunda² frementis³ etiam nunc articuli nisu fortiore⁴ pupugit altius, ut per summam cutem roraverint parvulae sanguinis rosei
5 guttae: sic ignara Psyche sponte in Amoris incidit amorem. tunc magis magisque cupidine flagrans Cupidinis, prona in eum efflictim inhians, patulis ac petulantibus⁵ saviis festinanter ingestis, de somni mensura metuebat. sed dum bono tanto percita saucia mente fluctuat, lucerna illa, sive perfidia pessima sive invidia noxia sive quod tale corpus contingere et quasi basiare et ipsa gestiebat, evomuit de summa⁶ luminis sui stillam ferventis olei super humerum dei dexterum: hem audax et
10 temeraria lucerna

¹ *rimor, rimari, rimatus*: to investigate, examine

² *periclitabunda* (gerundive): “intending to try/test”

³ *fremens, tis* (adj.): trembling

⁴ *articuli nisu fortiore*: “with too strong a push of the tip”

⁵ *patulis ac petulantibus* (abl. pl.): “abundant and lustful”

⁶ *summa, arum* (n, pl.): depth, deepest place

(Option A continues on the following page)

(Option A continued)

1. (a) *ante lectuli ... propitia tela* (line 1). Identify the objects at the bottom of Cupid's bed. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [3]
- (b) *quae dum ... miratur arma* (lines 1–2). Outline Psyche's actions. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [3]
- (c) *depromit unam ... rosei guttae* (lines 2–5). State what Psyche did **and** what happened as a result. Support your answer by quoting the Latin text. [4]
- (d) *sic ignara ... flagrans Cupidinis* (lines 5–6). Outline Psyche's emotions. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [2]
- (e) *prona in ... mensura metuebat* (lines 6–7). State what Psyche feared **and** why. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [2]
- (f) Translate *sed dum ... temeraria lucerna* (lines 7–10). [16]

End of Option A

Option B

Verse — Lucan, *Pharsalia* 9.587–590; 601–617

Lucan praises Cato, who led his troops through the deserts of Libya during the civil war against Pompey.

- 587 ipse manu sua pila gerens, praecedit anheli
militis ora pedes, monstrat tolerare labores,
non iubet, et nulla vehitur cervice supinus,
carpentoque¹ sedens; somni parcissimus ipse est.
[...]
- 601 ecce parens verus patriae, dignissimus aris,
Roma, tuis, per quem numquam iurare pudebit,
et quem, si steteris umquam cervice soluta,
tunc olim factura deum. iam spissior² ignis,
- 605 et plaga, quam nullam superi mortalibus ultra
a medio fecere die, calcatur, et unda
rerior. inventus mediis fons unus harenis
largus aquae, sed quem serpentum turba tenebat
vix capiente loco. stabant in margine siccae
- 610 aspides, in mediis sitiebant dipsades³ undis.
ductor, ut adspexit perituros fonte relicto,
adloquitur: “vana specie conterrite⁴ leti,
ne dubita, miles, tutos haurire liquores.
noxia serpentum est admixto sanguine pestis⁵;
- 615 morsu virus habent, et fatum dente minantur,
pocula morte carent.” dixit dubiumque venenum
hausit.

¹ *carpentum, i* (m): two-wheeled carriage

² *spissus, a, um* (adj.): intense, oppressive

³ *dipsas, adis* (f): dipsas, a type of venomous snake

⁴ *conterritus, a, um* (adj.): frightened by

⁵ *pestis, is* (f): venom

(Option B continued)

2. (a) *ipse manu ... non iubet* (lines 587–589). Outline Cato's actions. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [3]
- (b) *et nulla ... ipse est* (lines 589–590). Identify what Cato deprived himself of. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [2]
- (c) *ecce parens ... factura deum* (lines 601–604). State how Cato is praised by Lucan. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [3]
- (d) *iam spissior ... unda rarior* (lines 604–607). State how the conditions changed as the troops travelled further south. Quotation of the Latin text is **not** required. [2]
- (e) *inventus mediis ... dipsades undis* (lines 607–610). Describe the spring that the troops found. Support your answer by quoting the Latin text. [4]
- (f) Translate *ductor, ut adspexit ... venenum hausit* (lines 611–617). [16]

End of Option B

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