AS GCE CLASSICS
Unit L1: Latin Language
Specimen Paper

Morning/Afternoon
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Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES
• Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
• Use black ink.
• Answer Section A and one question from Section B.
• Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
• Do not write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES
• The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
• The total number of marks for this paper is 100.
• This document consists of 8 pages. Any blank pages are indicated.
Section A

1 Translate the following passage into English.

Please write your translation on alternate lines.

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During the debate Caecina proposed that no one appointed to be governor of a province should be allowed to take his wife with him.

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Adapted from Tacitus Annals III.33-34

Names
Caecina, -ae m. Caecina
Messalinus, -i m. Messalinus (a senator)
Drusus, -i m. Drusus (a senator)

Words
1 luxus, -us m. extravagance
2 licentia, -ae f. lack of control
3 ambitiosus, -a, -um ambitious
4 interdum sometimes
5 mandatum, -i n. order
6 decorus, -a, -um right, fitting
7 oblecto, -are I amuse, delight
8 corrumpo, -ere I corrupt
9 caelebs, -ibis bachelor, unmarried
10 memini, -isse I remember
11 admitto, -ere I commit
12 matrimonium, -i n. marriage
13 affirmo, -are I declare
14 eludo, -ere, elusi, elusus I reject

[Section A Total: 70 marks]
2 Translate the following passage into English.

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Catilina, Cethegus and a number of other Roman noblemen conspired against the state during Cicero’s consulship. Sulla was accused of being a party to the conspiracy. Cicero is here defending Sulla. He argues that Catilina and Cethegus were lawless and anti-social by nature, and so their involvement in the conspiracy was no surprise. He implies here that Cethegus was responsible for the murder of Quintus Metellus Pius, a Roman general.

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Cicero, Pro Sulla XXV (with omissions)

¹circumspicio, -ere I look around at, consider
²adfinis, -e + dat. implicated (in)
³coniuro, -are I conspire
⁴miror, -ari, -atus sum I am surprised
⁵civilis, -e civil
⁶latrocinium, -i n. fraud, robbery
⁷natus, -a, -um born
⁸infinitus, -a, -um endless
⁹suspicio, -onis f. suspicion
¹⁰damno, -are I condemn

[Section B Total: 30 marks]
3 Translate the following sentences into Latin. **Please write on alternate lines.**

(a) The besieged general asked the senators to send help.

(b) The ships, which sailed the next day, were destroyed in a storm.

(c) Most men having died, the rest hurried to reach the general.

(d) If the men had not marched quickly, the Roman army would have been defeated.

(e) By fighting bravely, they hoped to have great glory.
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Sources:

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Q2 CICERO, Pro Sulla XXV (with omissions)

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The passage has been divided into 14 sections each worth 5 marks. Award up to 5 marks per translated section according to the 5-mark marking grid.

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The passage has been divided into 6 sections each worth 5 marks. Award up to 5 marks per translated section according to the 5-mark marking grid.

[5] Correct translation (as agreed at standardisation), with one minor error allowed
[4] One serious error or two minor errors, otherwise the meaning is conveyed
[3] Most of the meaning conveyed, but several errors
[2] Half the meaning conveyed; the rest seriously flawed
[1] A minority of meaning conveyed
[0] No elements of meaning conveyed; no relation to Latin at all

N.B. Consequential errors should not be penalised.
Translate the following sentences into Latin. Please write on alternate lines.

There are many acceptable ways of translating the English sentences into correct Latin. One example for each sentence is given below. Acceptable alternatives will be agreed at Standardisation, but examiners should be ready to accept other versions that accurately render the meaning into Latin.

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<td>fortiter pugnando, sperabant se magnam famam habituros esse.</td>
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Each sentence is worth 6 marks. Award up to 6 marks for each sentence according to the 6-mark marking grid.

- [6] Correct translation (as agreed at standardisation), with one minor error allowed
- [5] Minor errors only in syntax or accidence
- [4] Rather more errors, but a good proportion of sentence correct
- [3] Around half the accidence and syntax correct
- [2] Accidence and syntax seriously flawed
- [1] A very little correct Latin
- [0] No correct Latin at all

| Section B Total | 30 |
| Paper Total     | 100 |
## Assessment Objectives Grid (no QWC)

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