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**Thursday 25 May 2023 – Afternoon**

**GCSE (9–1) Classical Civilisation**

**J199/21 The Homeric World**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes**



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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.
- In Section A, answer Questions 1–7 and **either** Question 8 **or** Question 9.
- In Section B, answer Questions 10–19 and **either** Question 20 **or** Question 21.
- Use the Insert to answer all the questions.
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**INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is **90**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- This document has **24** pages.

**ADVICE**

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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SECTION A

Culture

Answer Questions 1–7.

Study **Source A**

1 (a) What type of grave is shown in **Source A**?

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(b) Describe how the Mycenaeans buried their dead in this type of grave.

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..... [2]

2 Why were there different types of burials and graves in the Mycenaean Age? Make **two** points.

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Study **Source B**

3 (a) What type of storage jar is shown in **Source B**?

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(b) Select **two** features of this vessel, and suggest the problems these features might have caused.

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(c) (i) How was this type of vessel stored?

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(ii) Why was it stored this way?

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Study **Source C**

4 (a) Describe **two** aspects of the clothing in **Source C** that are typically Mycenaean.

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(b) Suggest **one** thing this tells us about the Mycenaeans.

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5 **Apart from the clothing**, in what ways is this a typical representation of a Mycenaean woman?

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6 Describe the clothes that a Mycenaean man would have worn.

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SECTION B  
Literature

Answer Questions 10–19.

Study **Source E**

10 (a) State **two** things that Odysseus had just done after he had left the hall.

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(b) Suggest **one** reason why he did either of these things.

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11 Who was the first Suitor to try to string the bow?

..... [1]

12 Why do you think Penelope asked the Suitors to string the bow as part of her challenge? Make **two** points.

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13 What impressions do you gain of Eurymachus in this passage? Make **two** points.

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Study **Source G**

**17** Apart from the fact that his men were killed by Polyphemus, why might it be fair to call Odysseus 'fool-hardy' (Rieu line 5) or 'reckless' (Kline line 5) for entering Polyphemus' cave? Make **two** points.

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[2]

**18** What did Eurylochus do immediately **after** this passage?

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..... [1]

**19** 'Disloyal and incompetent.'  
How far do you agree with this assessment of Odysseus' crew?  
Use **Source G** as a starting point and your own knowledge in your answer. [8]

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