

GCSE (9-1)

Latin

J282/04: Verse Literature A

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# 1. Annotations

Annotation	Meaning
?	Unclear (use rarely, possibly in case of illegibility)
BOD	Benefit of doubt (may be used, but sparingly)
×	Cross (use <b>very</b> sparingly, to indicate something to which you are not giving credit)
	Extendable horizontal line (more serious error in translation questions)
~~~	Extendable horizontal wavy line (inconsequential error in translation questions)
<b>/</b>	Tick (use as appropriate to show where marks have been awarded or points are being credited in the longer answer)
<b>✓</b> +	Tick plus (strong/well-developed point in Q7)
<b>✓</b> ?	Tick query (weak, incomplete or supplementary point in Q7)
HA	Harmful addition (use sparingly)
^	Omission mark (use in translation questions and elsewhere if desired)
BP	Blank Page – use to mark Additional Writing Pages
seen	Use on an extra page or in white space to show that candidate material has been seen and considered

## 12 Subject Specific Marking Instructions

### Further guidance on MARKING Point 5 above

### Low-tariff comprehension questions (up to 3 marks):

As a general rule award up to 1 mark for each of the candidate's numbered points, disregarding any material in each that is surplus to requirements (unless it invalidates the point already made).

This approach may, however, result in unfairness to candidates as they do not necessarily appreciate what precisely constitutes a separate point. They may roll together two correct answers in point 1, perhaps leaving no valid answer for point 2. In this case use discretion to award 2 marks to the candidate's point 1. However, if point 1 is invalid that mark is lost and cannot be carried forward for possible awarding in point 2.

### 4-mark literary analysis questions:

Use discretion

either to award up to 2 marks to each of the candidate's numbered points, ignoring any supplementary material that does not contradict the point already made

**or**, where two valid answers are included in numbered point 1, to award up to 2 marks for each of these. However, if the first point made by the candidate is invalid, those marks are lost and cannot be awarded to any later point.

Where a candidate offers a string of points, ignoring the numbering provided, only the first **two** of these may be considered.

#### NB

Marking point 5 above does not apply to the 8 and 10 mark level of response questions.

C	uestion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(a)	kingdom (1), fatherland (1), home(1)	AO2 3	patria: accept 'land', 'country'
1	(b)	Either He was everything to her. Or He was all/the only thing she had.	AO2 1	Accept literal translation including 'everything to us'.
1	(c)	She could tame serpent(s) (1) and bulls (1)	AO2 2	Accept references to her actual deeds ('put the serpent to sleep', 'protected Jason against fire-breathing bulls'): 1 mark for each suitable reference.

	uestion	Answer	Mark	Guidance
2	(a)	spells/incantations (1)	AO2	
		herbs/potions/drugs (1) the sacred rites of Hecate/calling up the goddess Hecate (1)	3	

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<b>2</b>	4 (b)	each. Assebelow.  2 expressaspect suitable.  1 expressby an a style of point is.  Any two of suitable Late.	Mark Sess against point-by-point marking grid  sess a valid point based on a relevant of literary style, with accurate, relevant and y explained reference to Latin  sess a valid point, but is not fully supported appropriate aspect of content or literary reference to Latin  senot valid, or none is drawn  the following or other valid points with the reference sises her inability to sleep	AO3 4	Points may be of <b>content or style</b> . An appropriate Latin reference is needed in each case.  Candidates must indicate (by translation or in their explanation) that they know what the chosen word or phrase means and must explain how it emphasises Medea's unhappy state.
		<ul> <li>emph</li> <li>epithe</li> <li>days ar</li> <li>variati</li> <li>chiast</li> <li>emph</li> <li>misero</li> <li>her mag</li> <li>she content</li> <li>herself</li> <li>antith</li> <li>despair</li> </ul>	epeated: vigilantur + somnus abit atic position of somnus abit et tener emphasises her longing for sleep and nights equally bad ion of epithet non grata/amarae cic/enclosing word order atic position of amarae pectore – no respite from her wretchedness gic arts ineffective ould put the serpent to sleep but cannot put to sleep esis/juxtaposition of non possum, potui ing summing-up of her position: she/her art use to anyone but herself		

#### Guidance on applying the marking grids for the 5-mark set text translation

The mark scheme awards marks for the proportion of sense communicated. If a candidate has communicated the 'gist' of the passage (e.g. they know who has done what to whom) they will score 5, 4 or 3 marks. If they have not understood the basic overall sense, they will score a maximum of 2.

A completely correct translation with no omissions or errors will always score 5. The key judgment for a candidate who has demonstrated understanding of the overall meaning is whether they should score 5, 4 or 3. This will depend on the gravity of their errors/omissions and may depend on the number of words in the sentence to be translated or the difficulty of the Latin and is usually decided at standardisation after a judgment has been formed about the performance of candidates. The final decisions on what constitute 'inconsequential' and 'more serious errors' will be made and communicated to assessors via the standardisation process (after full consideration of candidates' responses) and these decisions will be captured in the final mark scheme for examiners and centres.

A word containing more than one error should be treated as a maximum of one serious error. Repeated and consequential vocabulary errors should not be penalised.

Question	Answer	Mark		Guidance
3	si tibi sum vilis, communes respice natos: saeviet in partus dira noverca meos.	AO2 5	5	Perfectly accurate with no errors or omissions, or one inconsequential error.
	et nimium similes tibi sunt, et imagine tangor et quotiens video, lumina nostra madent.		4	Essentially correct but two inconsequential errors or one more serious error.
	Suggested translation:		3	Overall meaning clear, but more serious errors or omissions.
	If I am worthless/contemptible to you, consider the children we share/we have together: a horrible/dreadful/terrible stepmother will rage against/be	nst/be their	2	Part correct but with overall sense lacking/unclear.
	cruel to my offspring. (And) they are too much like you, I am touched by their image/likeness and whenever I see it/them, my/our		1	No continuous sense; isolated knowledge of vocabulary only.
	eyes are wet.  Omission or wrong translation of any word is a major error unless otherwise stated below.		Acce <sub>l</sub> the La	ot any version that accurately renders the sense of atin.
			Acce	ot 'our' for <i>nostra</i> (line 4)
	Inconsequential errors include: omission of <i>tibi</i> (line 1) nimium translated as 'so', 'so much'			mark there must be at least 3 correct vocabulary , excluding <i>si, in,et</i> .

	Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
4	(a)	<ul> <li>Any two of the following or other valid points:</li> <li>She says he owes her his life.</li> <li>He has made a powerful marriage/has a powerful bride and/or father-in-law (because of her).</li> <li>He couldn't even be ungrateful if she hadn't saved him.</li> </ul>	AO3 2	Accept a range of paraphrases that provide an answer to the question. Latin is <b>not</b> required.  Accept points of style provided that they adequately answer the question.
4	(b)	<ul> <li>Any two of the following:</li> <li>She is angry/will follow where her anger leads</li> <li>she knows she may regret what she does/ doesn't care if she comes to regret her actions</li> <li>she regrets helping Jason</li> <li>she hates Jason for his treachery/feels Jason has betrayed her</li> </ul>	AO3 2	Accept any reasonable interpretations of the text in relation to the question  Do not accept 'she hates Jason' on its own, or similar over-generalised comment.

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C	Question		Answer		Guidance		
5	(a)		<ul> <li>Any two of:</li> <li>being pious/honouring the gods</li> <li>not violating a (sacred) trust/not breaking a promise</li> <li>not abusing the power of the gods (in a treaty)</li> <li>to deceive men/ not deceiving people</li> </ul>	AO2 2			
5	(b)	(i)	He has said good things (1) and done (all possible) good things (to Lesbia) (1)	AO2 2			
5	(b)	(ii)	ingratae (1) ungrateful (1)	AO2 2	Accept slight misspelling. Accept ingrato (taken from line 6)  Correct Latin + wrong translation = 1 Wrong Latin + any translation = 0		

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
Question 6 (a)	Accept any two points and award up to two marks each. Assess against point-by-point marking grid below.  2 expresses a valid point based on a relevant aspect of literary style, with accurate, relevant and suitably explained reference to Latin  1 expresses a valid point, but is not fully supported by an appropriate aspect of literary style or reference to Latin  0 point is not valid, or none is drawn  Any two of the following or other valid points of literary	Mark AO3 4	Guidance  A point of style must be identified for the full mark (though technical terms are not a requirement). An appropriate Latin reference is needed in each case but merely matching a piece of Latin with the translation provided is not sufficient to gain 2 marks (though it may merit 1).  Candidates must indicate (by translation or in their explanation) that they know what the chosen word or phrase means and how it emphasises what a hard task it is.
	<ul> <li>Any two of the following or other valid points of literary style, with appropriate Latin reference:</li> <li>repetition of difficile – stresses how daunting it is</li> <li>longum amorem  – vocab choice/word positioning stress how much there is to overcome  – juxtaposition of longum subito emphasises difficulty of the task</li> <li>qua lubet efficias – emphatic position/compound verb + adverbial phrase suggest a task of great magnitude</li> <li>una salus – a momentous task: his safety/life depends on it:  – emphatic use of una: it's his only chance</li> <li>pervincendum  – emphatic position/ reinforcing prefix/ battle metaphor/ 5th foot spondee emphasise the struggle involved</li> <li>facias – repeats and verbally echoes key idea: 'he must do it': nerving himself to do something hard</li> </ul>		

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• sive ... pote – paradox: has to be done whether possible or not – suggests at best great difficulty

# Guidance on applying the marking grids for the 8-mark extended response

This question focuses on candidates' ability to select relevant examples of content and literary style and to structure an answer around these examples to express relevant points. Therefore candidates will be assessed on the quality of the points made and the range and quality of the examples they have selected from the passage.

Examiners must use a best fit approach to the marking grid. Where there are both strengths and weaknesses in a particular response, examiners must carefully consider which level is the best fit for the performance overall.

Level	Marks	Description
4	7–8	<ul> <li>very good engagement with the question</li> <li>expresses a range of relevant points, with good development, drawn on a range of well selected aspects of content and features of literary style, with a good range of appropriate quotation with well thought out discussion</li> <li>The response is logically structured, with a well-developed, coherent line of reasoning.</li> </ul>
3	5–6	<ul> <li>good engagement with the question</li> <li>expresses a range of sound points, with some development, drawn on a range of relevant aspects of content and features of literary style, with a range of appropriate quotation, with sound discussion</li> <li>The response is well structured with a clear line of reasoning.</li> </ul>
2	3–4	<ul> <li>some engagement with the question</li> <li>expresses some points drawn on a limited range of aspects of content and/or features of literary style, with some appropriate quotation and some discussion</li> <li>The response presents a line of reasoning which is mostly relevant but may lack structure.</li> </ul>
1	1–2	<ul> <li>little engagement with the question</li> <li>expresses points which are of little relevance and are supported with little evidence from the set text</li> <li>The information is communicated in an unstructured way</li> </ul>

0=No response or no response worthy of credit.

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
7	Assess against the criteria in the 8-mark AO3 grid (see above).  Amata's means of convincing her husband may include the following:  • mollius locuta est  — she speaks softly and as a mother would (to win him over)  — M and L alliteration give a soft and wheedling tone  • lacrimans — her weeping shows how deeply she is affected by the proposed marriage  • o genitor miseret: plays upon his fatherly feelings:  — appeals to him as a father; stresses their family connectedness  — appeals to his pity for them all; repetition of miseret; M alliteration  — polysyndeton — emphasising family unit  • stresses Aeneas' foreignness by calling the Trojans exsulibus, in emphatic position  • Aeneas will take her daughter away  • perfiduspraedo  — violent/emotive language: calls Aeneas perfidus, praedo (emphatic placing, framing device)  — P alliteration emphasises the words  • Aeneas will take Lavinia away across the sea (she will be lost to them)  • compares Aeneas to another Trojan, Paris, who penetrat Lacedaemona (emotive verb) and carried off Helen  • series of three rhetorical questions conveys her rising indignation and challenges her husband to accept what she says	AO3 8	Both content and style points are acceptable and Latin is not needed for every point. There must, however, be some stylistic reference and some Latin reference for an answer to reach level 3.

#### Guidance on applying the marking grids for the 10-mark extended response

Two Assessment Objectives are being assessed in this question – AO2 (Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of literature) and AO3 (Analyse, evaluate and respond to literature). The two Assessment Objectives are equally weighted. Examiners must use a best fit approach to the marking grid. Where there are both strengths and weaknesses in a particular response, particularly imbalanced responses in terms of the assessment objectives, examiners must carefully consider which level is the best fit for the performance overall. For example, you should not be able to achieve a mark of 8 made up of AO2 = 6 and AO3 = 2.

Responses are credited for AO2 for the detail and accuracy of the knowledge of the set text they deploy and for their understanding of the set text(s).

Responses are credited for **AO3** for how well the response addresses the question, for candidates selecting relevant examples from the set texts they have studied and drawing and expressing conclusions based on the selected examples in relation to the question posed. Candidates will be assessed on the quality of the conclusions and points they argue and the range and quality of the examples they have selected.

For example, in relation to the question 'The Roman writers saw passionate feelings as a disease beyond human control', Catullus' description of his love as a pestilence creeping through his limbs would be evidence of **AO2**, whilst concluding that he evidently can't escape it himself but needs the gods to take it away would be evidence of **AO3**.

#### 10-mark grid for the extended response question

AO2 = E marks = A polygo ovaluate and respond to literature

<b>AU2</b> = 5 ma	rks = Der	nonstrate knowledge and understanding of literature AO3 = 5 marks = Analyse, evaluate and respond to literature		
Level	Marks	Characteristics of performance		
5	9–10	<ul> <li>detailed knowledge and excellent understanding of the set text (AO2)</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>well-argued response to the question which is supported by a range of well-selected examples from the set text (AO3)</li> </ul>		
		The response is logically structured, with a well-developed, sustained and coherent line of reasoning.		
4	7–8	<ul> <li>good knowledge and sound understanding of the set text (AO2)</li> </ul>		
		<ul> <li>a good response to the question which is supported by some well-selected examples from the set text (AO3)</li> </ul>		
		The response is logically structured, with a well-developed and clear line of reasoning.		
3	5–6	some knowledge and understanding of the set text (AO2)		
		<ul> <li>a reasonable response to the question which is supported by some examples from the set text (AO3)</li> </ul>		
		The response presents a line of reasoning which is mostly relevant and has some structure.		
2	3–4	limited knowledge and understanding of the set text (AO2)		
		<ul> <li>a limited response to the question which is occasional supported by reference to the set text (AO3)</li> </ul>		
		The response presents a line of reasoning but may lack structure.		
1	1–2	very limited knowledge and understanding of the set text (AO2)		
		<ul> <li>a very limited response to the question with very limited reference to the set text (AO3)</li> </ul>		
		The information is communicated in an unstructured way.		

AO2 - E marks - Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of literature

0 = No response or no response worthy of credit.

Question	Answer	Mark	Guidance
8	<ul> <li>The Roman writers saw passionate feelings as a disease beyond human control. How far is this true of the poems of Virgil, Ovid and Catullus you have studied?</li> <li>Assess against the criteria in the 10-mark grid given above.</li> <li>Arguments (AO3) may include:</li> <li>Virgil</li> <li>Amata's hatred of the Trojans is motivated by the poison administered by Allecto's snake – something clearly outside Amata's control</li> <li>but she was already concerned about the arrival of the Trojans and the side-lining of Turnus</li> <li>Her approach to her husband is carefully thoughtout and she uses some fair and reasonable arguments</li> <li>but some of what she says is intemperate and contrary to the will of the gods (apart from Juno!)</li> <li>Is she in control or is she being manipulated by an outside force?</li> <li>Supporting evidence (AO2) could include:</li> <li>details of her existing state of mind</li> <li>how the poison is designed to throw the whole household into turmoil</li> <li>how the snake delivers the poison</li> <li>when she speaks to her husband the poison has not fully done its work – but she will later rage around like a mad woman, causing havoc</li> <li>the arguments Amata uses to her husband.</li> </ul>	10 AO2 5 + AO3 5	To gain marks in AO3 candidates should deploy a range of these or other appropriate arguments in any combination depending on their individual view of the poems.  Aspects of the poems may be interpreted in a wide variety of ways. All plausible arguments should be credited if they can be supported by the text.  It is not essential to discuss all three authors in order reach the higher levels, provided that there is an adequate range of arguments. However, coverage of at least two of the authors would usually be expected in a level 5 answer.

#### Ovid

- Medea is possessed by flames and sleeplessness which make her love for Jason like a disease.
- Her magic powers have deserted her and she can do nothing to remedy her state: it is beyond her control.
- She can only beg Jason to return to her but she is able to deploy reasoned arguments as to why he should.
- Her other passion is her anger and desire for vengeance: is this within her control or is that too something beyond her control?

# Supporting evidence (AO2) could include:

- details of what she has been able to do with her magic previously and what she cannot do now
- she says she was 'insane' to leave her native land
- details of the arguments she uses to Jason to persuade him to return
- details of her threats of vengeance, how her anger dominates her and overcomes any arguments for restraint

### Catullus

- He explicitly and extensively uses the language of disease to describe his love for Lesbia and how it possesses him.
- He does try to motivate himself to get over it (suggesting it is within his control) but his attempt sounds desperate and unlikely to be successful.
- He begs the gods to make him well (suggesting he cannot do it himself)

## Supporting evidence (AO2) could include:

 examples of the 'disease' language that he uses for his emotional state

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	<ul> <li>his paradoxical advice to himself to get over her 'whether it's possible or not'</li> <li>details of his appeal to the gods for pity and 'help in death'</li> </ul>	

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