

External Assessment 2021

# ANCIENT HISTORY

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**Reading time:** 15 minutes – you may begin writing during this time

**Suggested working time:** 3 hours

## Instructions

- There are **three (3)** sections to this exam paper.
- You **must** answer **all** questions in **essay form**:
  - **Section A** – Sections **A** and **B** **must be answered on the same civilisation** and in the period(s) defined by the course document.
  - **Section B** – must be answered on the **same civilisation chosen in Section A**.
  - **Section C** – answer using **one (1)** historical individual from the prescribed list.
  - Answer each section in a **separate answer booklet**.
  - All answers must be written in **English**.
- You **must** make sure your answers address:
  - Criterion 3 communicate historical ideas and information.
  - Criterion 4 use evidence to support historical interpretations and arguments.
  - Criterion 5 describe and assess differing historical interpretations on issues affecting the ancient world.
  - Criterion 6 describe the nature and characteristics of an ancient civilisation.
  - Criterion 7 assess the impact of human agency on an ancient society.

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# Guide to Exam Structure

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		Questions available	How many questions to answer	Suggested working time	Marks available
Section	<b>A</b>	1	1	60 minutes	All criteria are assessed using extended ratings of:  A+ to z
Section	<b>B</b>	1	1	60 minutes	
Section	<b>C</b>	1	1	60 minutes	
<b>Total</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>180 minutes (3 hours)</b>	

# Section A

## Investigating the Ancient Past

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- You must answer both **Sections A and B on the same civilisation** in the period(s) defined by the course document.
  - Use a separate answer booklet for each section and indicate the civilisation discussed in your answer on the front cover using the letter next to your chosen civilisation below:
    - Egypt           **E**
    - Greece           **G**
    - Rome           **R**
    - China           **C**
    - Assyria           **A**
  - This section assesses **Criteria 3, 4 and 5**.
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### Question 1

“The evidence that exists has a direct impact on how reliable, contested and/or valid our understanding of the ancient past is.”

Discuss this quotation, making reference to the primary and secondary sources associated with **one (1)** ancient site, significant event, development or era that you have studied. In doing so, refer to the origin, purpose and context of those sources.

Civilisation	Topic
Egypt	The Battle of Kadesh
Greece	Delphi <b>OR</b> the Destruction of Troy
Rome	Masada <b>OR</b> the Roman Games
China	Xia <b>OR</b> Shang <b>OR</b> Zhou Dynasties
Assyria	Ziggurats of Mesopotamia

# Section B

## Structure of an Ancient Society

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- You must answer both **Sections A and B on the same civilisation** in the period(s) defined by the course document.
  - Use a separate answer booklet for each section and indicate the civilisation discussed in your answer on the front cover using the letter next to your chosen civilisation below:
    - Egypt           **E**
    - Greece           **G**
    - Rome           **R**
    - China           **C**
    - Assyria           **A**
  - This section assesses **Criteria 3, 4 and 6**.
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### Question 2

Describe **one (1) or more** core elements of an ancient society. To what extent are the beliefs and values of that ancient society reflected in **at least one (1)** key feature?

Refer to both **primary** and **secondary** sources in your answer.

#### Core Elements

Political

Social

Economic

Cultural

#### Key Features

Arts, architecture and drama

Weapons and warfare

Technology and engineering

Women and family

Beliefs, rituals and funerary practices

# Section C

## Nature of Power and Authority in an Ancient Society

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- You must answer **Section C** using **one (1)** historical individual from the prescribed list provided below.
  - Use a separate answer booklet for each section and indicate the civilisation discussed in your answer on the front cover using the letter next to your chosen civilisation below:
    - Egypt           **E**
    - Greece           **G**
    - Rome             **R**
    - China            **C**
    - Assyria          **A**
  
  - This section assesses **Criteria 3, 4 and 7**.
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### Prescribed list of historical individuals

<b>Egypt</b>	<b>Greece</b>	<b>Rome</b>	<b>China</b>	<b>Assyria</b>
Neb-hetep-re Mentuhotep II	Solon	Marcus Tullius Cicero	Liu Bei	Tiglath-Pileser
Hatshepsut	Cleomenes	Sulla	Zhuge Liang	Sargon II
Akhenaten	Peisistratus	Gaius Julius Caesar	Cao Cao	Ashurbanipal
Horemheb	Themistocles	Livia		
Ramesses II	Thucydides	Augustus		

### Question 3

Analyse the ways in which the social and historical context of an ancient society shaped one individual that you have studied. What were the possible motivations of that one individual and to what extent did their actions or beliefs influence or shape their society?

Refer to both **primary** and **secondary** sources in your answer.

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