

Assessment Schedule – 2023**Scholarship Classical Studies (93404)****Evidence****Section A**

Each of the two responses in Section A is marked against the performance descriptors defined below and awarded a score.

	Score	Performance descriptor
Outstanding Scholarship	8	<p>The candidate critically evaluates ideas and values of the classical world, referring to a wide range of primary, and where appropriate, secondary evidence</p> <p>AND</p> <p>demonstrates an ability to articulate a complex perspective, involving subtlety of understanding, an awareness of subtext, and historical empathy</p> <p>AND</p> <p>develops a structured and balanced argument, incorporating elements of independent reflection</p> <p>AND</p> <p>communicates ideas with precision, originality, and a degree of expressiveness that focuses the reader's attention on salient points.</p>
	7	<p>The candidate's response fulfils most of the requirements for descriptor 8, but:</p> <p>contains minor inaccuracies of fact or interpretation</p> <p>OR</p> <p>lacks sustained reference to source evidence</p> <p>OR</p> <p>has some minor failure of critical evaluation</p> <p>OR</p> <p>lacks a degree of literary flair and originality.</p>
Scholarship	6	<p>The candidate critically evaluates ideas and values of the classical world, referring to a range of primary, and where appropriate, secondary evidence</p> <p>AND</p> <p>develops a clear and logical argument, demonstrating awareness of the strengths and limitations of source evidence</p> <p>AND</p> <p>uses a range of evidence to explain links and interrelationships</p> <p>AND</p> <p>is fluent and coherent.</p>
	5	<p>The candidate's response fulfils most of the requirements for descriptor 6, but:</p> <p>has some inadequacy of critical evaluation</p> <p>OR</p> <p>deals inadequately with an important point</p> <p>OR</p> <p>has some unsupported generalisations</p> <p>OR</p> <p>communicates ideas clearly, but is not consistently convincing or precise.</p>

Below Scholarship	4	<p>The candidate evaluates ideas and values of the classical world, demonstrating some knowledge of primary and/or secondary sources</p> <p>AND</p> <p>discusses evidence methodically, drawing on knowledge of classical contexts</p> <p>AND</p> <p>develops a coherent argument, substantiated by some source evidence</p> <p>AND</p> <p>uses evidence to explain links</p> <p>AND</p> <p>communicates ideas coherently, but is not consistently focused or attentive to detail.</p>
	3	<p>The candidate's response fulfils most of the requirements for descriptor 4, but:</p> <p>fails to make a critical evaluation or apply evidence accurately</p> <p>OR</p> <p>is incomplete</p> <p>OR</p> <p>does not consistently communicate ideas with clarity.</p>
	2	The candidate's response shows limited understanding relevant to the question. Some evidence is included, but ideas are not analysed.
	1	The candidate's response contains a minimal amount of relevant evidence.
	0	Blank booklet or irrelevant response.

Section B

The response in Section B is marked against the performance descriptors defined below and awarded a score.

	Score	Performance descriptor
Outstanding Scholarship	8	<p>The candidate interprets the source material provided with insight and perception, drawing on in-depth understanding of the ideas and values of the classical world</p> <p>AND</p> <p>demonstrates an awareness of subtext and historical empathy</p> <p>AND</p> <p>presents a balanced viewpoint, incorporating elements of independent reflection</p> <p>AND</p> <p>communicates ideas with precision and originality.</p>
	7	<p>The candidate's response fulfils most of the requirements for descriptor 8, but:</p> <p>contains minor inaccuracies of fact or interpretation</p> <p>OR</p> <p>does not consistently demonstrate subtlety of understanding</p> <p>OR</p> <p>lacks a degree of literary flair and originality.</p>
Scholarship	6	<p>The candidate interprets the source material provided with a degree of perception, drawing on informed understanding of the ideas and values of the classical world</p> <p>AND</p> <p>demonstrates awareness of the strengths and limitations of source evidence</p> <p>AND</p> <p>uses a range of evidence to explain links and interrelationships</p> <p>AND</p> <p>is fluent and coherent.</p>
	5	<p>The candidate's response fulfils most of the requirements for descriptor 6, but:</p> <p>has some inadequacy of critical interpretation</p> <p>OR</p> <p>deals inadequately with an important point</p> <p>OR</p> <p>has some unsupported generalisations</p> <p>OR</p> <p>communicates ideas clearly, but is not consistently convincing or precise.</p>

Below Scholarship	4	<p>The candidate interprets the source material provided methodically, drawing on general knowledge of the ideas and values of the classical world</p> <p>AND</p> <p>shows some understanding of significant themes and/or concepts, and an ability to identify a historical viewpoint</p> <p>AND</p> <p>uses evidence to explain links</p> <p>AND</p> <p>communicates ideas coherently, but is not consistently focused and/or attentive to detail.</p>
	3	<p>The candidate's response fulfils most of the requirements for descriptor 4, but:</p> <p>interprets the source material provided simplistically or selectively</p> <p>OR</p> <p>is incomplete</p> <p>OR</p> <p>does not consistently communicate ideas with clarity.</p>
	2	The candidate's response shows limited understanding relevant to the question. Some of the source material provided is examined, but ideas are not analysed.
	1	The candidate's response contains a minimal amount of relevant evidence.
	0	Blank booklet or irrelevant response.

Cut Scores

Scholarship	Outstanding Scholarship
14 – 18	19 – 24