

Level 1 / Level 2 Examiners' Report

Latin Language and Roman Civilisation

Level 1

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Introduction

Our Principal Examiners' report provides valuable feedback on the recent assessment series. It has been written by our Principal Examiners and Principal Moderators after the completion of marking and moderation, and details how candidates have performed in each unit.

This report opens with a summary of candidates' performance, including the assessment objectives/skills/topics/themes being tested, and highlights the characteristics of successful performance and where performance could be improved. It then looks in detail at each unit, pinpointing aspects that proved challenging to some candidates and suggesting some reasons as to why that might be.¹

The information found in this report provides valuable insight for practitioners to support their teaching and learning activity. We would also encourage practitioners to share this document – in its entirety or in part – with their learners to help with exam preparation, to understand how to avoid pitfalls and to add to their revision toolbox.

Further support

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¹ Please note that where overall performance on a question/question part was considered good, with no particular areas to highlight, these questions have not been included in the report.

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Executive Summary

The cohort for this unit was very small and, overall, strong. The paper was designed to assess all the grammar required at this level as well as a broad range of vocabulary from the Defined Vocabulary List in the specification.

It was very pleasing to see candidates from all centres demonstrating good exam technique: finding their response from the Latin in the lemma quoted, giving full and specific detail in comprehension answers and not providing more than one answer for any one question (i.e. hedging their bets).

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UNIT 9511

Overview of the Unit

Elements that provided the most challenge to candidates included: sentences without a nominative, direct questions, the comparative, relative clauses and present participles. This was especially true when candidates were required to translate sentences that included this grammar rather than to answer comprehension questions. The pluperfect that was in the translation question was rendered as a perfect by the majority of candidates. Candidates would also be well advised to check the person of the verb and the number of the nouns. Vocabulary that was not universally known included: *statim*, *quaero*, *melior*, *quid*, *facis*, *nullam*, *omnia* and *cibum*.

However, it was very pleasing to see candidates demonstrate a good knowledge and understanding of the grammar and vocabulary in this specification, with all showing they could follow the storyline to its conclusion.

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