CLASSICAL CIVILISATION (OCR: A-Level H408)

OCR's A-Level in Classical Civilisation will encourage learners to:

- acquire a sophisticated level of knowledge and understanding of the literature and culture of the classical world through studying a diverse range of ancient material and making connections and comparisons between them
- understand classical literature, thought and material culture in its context; including how issues and values relevant to the society in which they were created are reflected in ancient sources and materials
- further develop skills of critical analysis and evaluation and apply these to the range of source materials studied in order to gain insight into aspects of the classical world
- articulate an informed response to the material studied, using a range of appropriate evidence to formulate coherent arguments with substantiated evidence based judgements
- acquire a sound basis for further study of the classical world.

If you are interested in the Ancient World but do not wish to study Latin, this is an ideal course for you. The AQA specification offers a wide range of options including history, literature and the visual arts, which give you insight into the civilisations that shaped ours. It helps students to develop critical and evaluative skills and is therefore highly regarded by universities. It is not necessary for students to have studied this subject at GCSE, although those who have done so will enjoy deepening their knowledge.

Content overview	Assessment overview
The World of the Hero	• H408/11
This is a compulsory component consisting of an in-depth study of:	 100 marks
 one of Homer's Iliad or Odyssey 	 2 hours 20 minutes
 and Virgil's Aeneid 	 Written paper
This component is solely focused on the study of literature in translation	• 40% of total A-Level
Component Group 2: Culture and the Arts	• H408/21, H408/22,
Learners must study one component in this component group, chosen from:	H408/23, H408/24
Greek Theatre (H408/21)	• 75 marks
 Imperial Image (H408/22) 	• 1 hour 45 minutes
 Invention of the Barbarian (H408/23) 	Written paper
• Greek Art (H408/24)	• 30% of total A-level
Component Group 3: Beliefs and Ideas	• H408/31, H408/32,
Learners must study one component in this component group, chosen from:	H408/33, H408/34
• Greek Religion (H408/31)	• 75 marks
 Love and Relationships (H408/32) 	• 1 hour 45 minutes
Politics of the Late Republic (H408/33)	Written paper
 Democracy and the Athenians (H408/34) 	 30% of total A-Level



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