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Grade descriptors for GCSEs graded 9 to 1: ancient languages

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1. Grade 8

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To achieve Grade 8 candidates will be able to:

1.1

- complete a range of linguistic tasks, including translation and comprehension, with a consistently high degree of accuracy
- demonstrate accurate knowledge and understanding of diverse aspects of literature and/or sources
- analyse a range of literary or other evidence with perception and precision
- critically evaluate and respond convincingly to literary or other evidence with reason and sensitivity

2. Grade 5

2.1 To achieve Grade 5 candidates will be able to:

- complete a range of linguistic tasks, including translation and comprehension, with reasonable accuracy
- demonstrate mostly accurate knowledge and understanding of some aspects of literature and/or sources
- analyse literary or other evidence with occasional perception and precision
- evaluate literary or other evidence in a mostly reasoned and clear manner

3. Grade 2

3.1 To achieve Grade 2 candidates will be able to:

- complete some linguistic tasks, including translation and comprehension, with limited accuracy
- demonstrate limited knowledge and understanding of some aspects of literature and/or sources
- make basic comments on literary or other evidence

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