# **Ancient History marking guide**

External assessment

### **Short response (54 marks)**

### **Assessment objectives**

This assessment instrument is used to determine student achievement in the following objectives:

- 1. comprehend terms, concepts and issues in relation to a topic focused on people, power and authority in the Ancient World
- 3. analyse evidence from historical sources to show understanding in relation to a topic focused on the nature of power and how it was exercised in the Ancient World
- 4. synthesise evidence from historical sources to form a historical argument in relation to a topic focused on a powerful individual, group or society in the Ancient World
- 5. evaluate evidence from historical sources to make judgments in relation to a topic focused on people, power and authority in the Ancient World
- 6. create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose in relation to a topic focused on people, power and authority in the Ancient World.

**Note:** Unit objective 2 is not assessed in this instrument.



### **Purpose**

This document is an External assessment marking guide (EAMG).

#### The EAMG:

- Provides a tool for calibrating external assessment markers to ensure reliability of results
- Indicates the correlation, for each question, between mark allocation and qualities at each level of the mark range
- Informs schools and students about how marks are matched to qualities in student responses.

### Mark allocation

Where a response does not meet any of the descriptors for a question or a criterion, a mark of '0' will be recorded. Where no response to a question has been made, a mark of 'N' will be recorded.

## **External assessment marking guide (EAMG)**

| Q | The response:   | M |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | <ul> <li>provides a plausible explanation of Cicero's motive</li> <li>explains 2 ways Augustus is described, using well-chosen evidence from Source 1</li> <li>explains 2 ways Antony is described, using well-chosen evidence from Source 1</li> </ul>   | 6 |
|   | <ul> <li>provides a plausible explanation of Cicero's motive</li> <li>explains 2 ways Augustus is described, using well-chosen evidence from Source 1</li> <li>explains 2 ways Antony is described, using some evidence from Source 1 OR</li> <li>provides a plausible explanation of Cicero's motive</li> <li>explains 2 ways Augustus is described, using some evidence from Source 1</li> <li>explains 2 ways Antony is described, using well-chosen evidence from Source 1</li> </ul> | 5 |
|   | <ul> <li>identifies a plausible motive for Cicero's speech</li> <li>explains 2 ways Augustus is described, using some evidence from Source 1</li> <li>explains 2 ways Antony is described, using some evidence from Source 1</li> </ul>   | 4 |
|   | <ul> <li>makes a statement about Cicero's motive</li> <li>explains 1 way Augustus is described, using some evidence from Source 1</li> <li>explains 1 way Antony is described, using some evidence from Source 1</li> </ul>   | 3 |
|   | <ul> <li>explains a possible motive for Cicero's speech         OR</li> <li>identifies 1 way Augustus is described, using some evidence from Source 1</li> <li>identifies 1 way Antony is described, using some evidence from Source 1</li> </ul>   | 2 |
|   | states a possible motive for Cicero's speech     OR     identifies 1 way Augustus or Antony is described     OR     cites relevant evidence about Augustus or Antony from Source 1  | 1 |

| Q | The response:  | М |
|---|--|---|
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.                             | 0 |
|   | The response:  | М |
|   | demonstrates an informed understanding of historical context of the speech | 2 |
|   | demonstrates a basic understanding of historical context of the speech     | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.                             | 0 |

| Q  | The response:  | М |
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| 2a | accurately defines <i>potestas</i> using evidence from Source 2                  | 5 |
|    | accurately defines auctoritas using evidence from Source 2                       |   |
|    | explains 2 points of difference between potestas and auctoritas                  |   |
|    | accurately defines <i>potestas</i> using evidence from Source 2                  | 4 |
|    | accurately defines auctoritas using evidence from Source 2                       |   |
|    | explains 1 difference between potestas and auctoritas                            |   |
|    | describes an aspect of <i>potestas</i> that aligns with evidence from Source 2   | 3 |
|    | describes an aspect of <i>auctoritas</i> that aligns with evidence from Source 2 |   |
|    | describes an aspect of <i>potestas</i> that aligns with evidence from Source 2   | 2 |
|    | OR   |   |
|    | describes an aspect of <i>auctoritas</i> that aligns with evidence from Source 2 |   |
|    | demonstrates rudimentary understanding of potestas or auctoritas                 | 1 |
|    | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.                                   | 0 |

| Q  | The response:  | М |
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| 2b | • explains, with discernment, 2 plausible implicit meanings related to potestas and auctoritas   | 6 |
|    | <ul> <li>explains, with discernment, 1 plausible implicit meaning related to potestas</li> <li>explains 1 plausible implicit meaning related to auctoritas</li></ul>   | 5 |
|    | explains 2 plausible implicit meanings related to potestas and auctoritas     OR     explains, with discernment, 2 plausible implicit meanings related to potestas or auctoritas   | 4 |
|    | <ul> <li>explains 1 plausible implicit meaning related to potestas</li> <li>makes a statement related to auctoritas  OR</li> <li>explains 1 plausible implicit meaning related to auctoritas</li> <li>makes a statement related to potestas</li> </ul> | 3 |
|    | makes statements about <i>potestas</i> and <i>auctoritas</i> OR      cites evidence from Source 3 about <i>potestas</i> and <i>auctoritas</i>  | 2 |
|    | makes a statement about <i>potestas</i> or <i>auctoritas</i>   | 1 |
|    | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.   | 0 |

| Q | The response:   | М | The response:   | М |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | Julian (Source 4) — reliability   |   | Horace (Source 5) — reliability   |   |
|   | makes a discerning judgment about<br>reliability by explaining 2<br>considerations about the source | 3 | makes a discerning judgment about<br>reliability by explaining 2<br>considerations about the source | 3 |
|   | makes a plausible judgment about<br>reliability by identifying 2<br>considerations about the source | 2 | makes a plausible judgment about<br>reliability by identifying 2<br>considerations about the source | 2 |
|   | makes a statement about reliability,<br>referring to 1 consideration about the<br>source            | 1 | makes a statement about reliability,<br>referring to 1 consideration about the<br>source            | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 |

| Q | The response:   | M | The response:   | M |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|   | Julian (Source 4) — usefulness  |   | Horace (Source 5) — usefulness  |   |
|   | makes a discerning judgment about<br>the extent to which the source is<br>useful by explaining 2 considerations<br>about the source | 3 | makes a discerning judgment about<br>the extent to which the source is<br>useful by explaining 2 considerations<br>about the source | 3 |
|   | makes a judgment about usefulness<br>by identifying 2 considerations about<br>the source  | 2 | makes a judgment about usefulness<br>by identifying 2 considerations about<br>the source  | 2 |
|   | states 1 way evidence from the<br>source is useful  | 1 | states 1 way evidence from the source is useful   | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 |

| Q | The response:   | M |
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| 3 | explains 1 way Source 4 and Source 5 corroborate (or do not corroborate)  | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 |
|   | The response:   | M |
|   | organises paragraph/s purposefully to succinctly and fluently convey ideas relating to the question, acknowledging sources used | 3 |
|   | organises paragraph/s to convey ideas relating to the question, acknowledging sources used                                      | 2 |
|   | conveys ideas related to the question   | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 |

| Q | The response:   | М |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | presents a sophisticated historical argument that responds directly to the question   | 5 |
|   | presents a reasoned historical argument that responds directly to the question  | 4 |
|   | presents a basic historical argument that responds to the question  | 3 |
|   | presents a superficial argument about Augustus's rule   | 2 |
|   | makes statements about Augustus or the Senate   | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 |
|   | skilfully combines relevant evidence from the 3 sources to develop the historical argument  | 6 |
|   | <ul> <li>skilfully combines relevant evidence from 2 sources to develop the historical argument</li> <li>includes evidence from a third source that may not be connected to the argument</li> </ul> | 5 |
|   | combines relevant evidence from the 3 sources to develop the historical argument  | 4 |
|   | combines evidence from 2 of the sources to develop the historical argument  | 3 |
|   | refers to relevant evidence from 2 of the sources   | 2 |
|   | refers to evidence from 1 of the sources  | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.  | 0 |

| Q | The response:  | М |
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|   | demonstrates accurate and apt use of relevant terms placed in historical context   | 2 |
|   | uses relevant terms  | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.   | 0 |
|   | The response:  | М |
|   | demonstrates informed understanding of the relationship between the republican institution of the Senate and the power and authority of Augustus | 3 |
|   | demonstrates basic understanding of the relationship between the republican institute of the Senate and the power of Augustus                    | 2 |
|   | demonstrates a basic understanding of issues of power  | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.   | 0 |
|   | The response:  | М |
|   | organises paragraph/s purposefully to succinctly and fluently convey ideas<br>relating to the question, acknowledging sources used               | 3 |
|   | organises paragraph/s to convey ideas relating to the question, acknowledging sources used   | 2 |
|   | conveys ideas related to the question  | 1 |
|   | does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.   | 0 |