

LATIN

16+ Entrance Paper

Candidates are required to be familiar with the grammar and accidence and vocabulary demanded by OCR for the Latin GCSE paper.

Answer both Sections A and B if you are sitting the Sixth Form Scholarship; if you are a candidate for Ordinary Entrance only, answer Section A only.

SECTION A

Read the passage and answer the questions.

The Emperor Nero made plans to kill his mother.

Nero Poppaeam maxime amabat. Agrippina, mater Neronis, Poppaeam oderat. Nero igitur matrem suam necare consuit. amicos rogavit quomodo eam necare posset. placuit primo venenum, sed difficile erat venenum ei nescienti dare. tandem Anicetus libertus consilium optimum cepit. 'navem aedificare possum', inquit. 'ubi Agrippina in hac nave navigabit, tectum navis in eam decidet. in hoc modo necabitur.'

Names

Nero, Neronis m	Nero
Poppaea, Poppaeae f	Poppaea
Agrippina, Agrippinae f	Agrippina
Anicetus, Aniceti m	Anicetus

Vocabulary

odi, odisse	I hate
placet, placere, placuit + dat	it pleases
venenum, veneni n	poison
tectum, tecti	cabin roof
decido, decidere, decidi	I fall down

1. *Nero Poppaeam maxime amabat. Agrippina, mater Neronis, Poppaeam oderat (line 1):*

- (a) What does this line tell us of the feelings of Nero **and** Agrippina towards Poppaea?

..... (3)

(b) Who was Agrippina?

..... (1)

2. *Nero igitur matrem suam necare constituit.* (line 2)

What did Nero decide to do?

.....(2)

3. *amicos rogavit quomodo eam necare posset.* (lines 2-3)

What did Nero ask his friends?

.....(2)

4. *placuit primo venenum, sed difficile erat venenum ei nescienti dare.* (line 3)

(a) What was his first idea?

.....(1)

(b) Why was this not good idea to adopt?

.....(3)

5. *tandem Anicetus libertus consilium optimum cepit.* (line 4)

(a) Who was Anicetus?

.....(1)

(b) Which Latin word describes his plan?

..... (1)

6. *'navem aedificare possum', inquit. 'ubi Agrippina in hac nave navigabit, tectum navis in eam decidet. in hoc modo necabitur.'*(lines 5-6)

Explain in detail what his plan was.

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SECTION B

Read the passage and answer the questions.

After surviving the first attempt on her life, Nero tried again.

nautae Agrippinam in aqua quaesiverunt. amica eius clamans se Agrippinam esse, necata est. interea Agrippina ipsa tacita ad litus navit; ita domum advenit tuta. cum Nero audivisset matrem adhuc vivere, iratissimus erat. tres milites misit ut eam interficerent. qui cum in domum irupissent, Agrippina, quamquam perterrita erat, 'ventrem ferite,' inquit. statim multis vulneribus necata est.

Vocabulary

litus, litoris n	shore
no, nare, navi	I swim
tutus, tuta, tutum	safe
adhuc	still
irrumpeo, irrumperere, irrupi, irruptus	burst in
venter, ventris m	stomach, womb
ferio, ferire	strike

8 *nautae Agrippinam in aqua quaesiverunt. amica eius clamans se Agrippinam esse, necata est.* (lines 1-2)

(a) What did the sailors do?

.....(1)

(b) Why was Agrippina's friend killed?

.....(2)

9. *interea Agrippina ipsa tacita ad litus navit; ita domum advenit tuta.* (lines 2-3)

How did Agrippina reach safety?

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.....(3)

10. *cum Nero audivisset matrem adhuc vivere, iratissimus erat. tres milites misit ut eam interficerent.* (lines 3-4)

(a) What did Nero find out?

.....(2)

(b) What was his reaction?

.....(1)

(c) What did he do as a result?

.....(2)

11 *qui cum in domum inrupissent, Agrippina, quamquam perterrita erat, 'ventrem ferite,' inquit. statim multis vulneribus necata est.* (lines 4-5)

(a) Give the Latin word which suggests the soldiers were anxious to get the job done.

.....(1)

(b) How did Agrippina feel?

.....(1)

(c) Explain what was said and what happened in her last moments.

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(3)

12. For each of the Latin words in the table below, give **one** English word which has been derived from the Latin word **and** give the meaning of the English word.

Write your answer in the boxes. One has been done for you.

Latin word	English word	Meaning of the English word
<i>mare</i>	marine	to do with the sea
<i>misit</i>		
<i>audivisset</i>		

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Section B Total (20)

Paper total (60)