Assessment Schedule - 2008

Scholarship Latin (93008)

TASK ONE: TRANSLATION OF PASSAGE ONE

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rerum cognitio cotidie crescit;			
Knowledge of things grows daily;			
et tamen quot ad eam libri legendi sunt			
and yet how many books need to be read for that,			
si utilia velimus legere,			
if we wished to read useful things,			
non, quod ne fieri quidem potest, omnia?			
not , what can not even be done, all things?			
sed breve nobis tempus nos fecimus: But we ourselves have made time short for ourselves:			
quantulum enim studiis partimur?			
for how little (time) do we apportion to our studies?			
alias horas vanus salutandi labor trahunt			
The pointless effort of going visiting to bring greetings draws out some hours,			
alias datum fabulis otium,			
others, the leisure devoted to plays,			
alias spectacula, alias convivia.			
others, performances, others, feasts.			
adice tot genera ludendi			
Add on so many types of playing			
et insanam corporis curam,			
and the crazy coddling of the body,			
peregrinationes, rura, calculorum anxiam sollicitudinem			
travels overseas, outings in the country, anxious worry about financial calculations			
et ne ea quidem tempora quae supersunt,			
and not even those periods of time which remain,			
idonea fractis omni genere voluptatum animis.			
suitable for souls made feeble by every kind of pleasures.			
quae si omnia studiis impenderentur			
if all these (times) were to be spent on studies			
vel si diurna tantum tempora computarentur			
or if only daylight times were to be counted up			
ut nihil noctes adiuvarent			
so that nights would be / were of no help			
quarum bona pars omni somno longior est,			
a good part of which is too long for all (our) sleep,			
iam nobis longa aetas videretur			
a lifetime would now seem long for us			
et abunde satis ad discendum spatii.			
and more than enough space for learning.			
nunc computamus annos			
As it is we count up the years			
non quibus studuimus			
not in which we have studied			
sed quibus viximus.			
but in which we have been alive.			
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TASK TWO: CRITICAL APPRECIATION OF PASSAGE ONE (Further answers are possible.)

Question	Response	Valid Response	Perceptive Response
(a) Identify and explain in detail a total of FOUR rhetorical devices which have been used in lines 1–3 (rerum partimur) and lines 8–11 (quae si viximus). How does each device make the argument persuasive?	While other answers are possible, evidence supplied would be expected to include some of the following: Line 1 alliteration – the sound of the repeated 'c' in cognitio cotidie crescit and 'l' in libri legendi draw attention to the sound of Quintilian's phrases and assist his listeners to remember them. Quintilian starts with a commonly held precept: knowledge grows daily to gain listeners' attention, then he introduces a contrasting idea et tamen to prompt listeners to examine this precept critically. A rhetorical question is the contrasting idea quot ad eam libri 'How many books is it necessary to read?', implying	Response	Response
	that not all that many are necessary, without actually saying so. Lines 1–2 Quintilian uses contrast (of the goals of reading) between a practical, achievable goal and an extreme, impossible one – an exaggeration to make a point. He argues that we are setting ourselves an impossible task, implying that we should not even be trying it. ne quidem is used to emphasise the impossibility si utilia velimus legere non (quod ne fieri quidem potest) omnia The word order is effective – the contrasting adjectives, (used as nouns) are placed at extreme ends of the conditional clause, utilia and omnia.		
	Line 3 Quintilian introduces a further idea – sed breve nobis tempus nos fecimus we have made time short for ourselves (since we devote so much of our time to so many other things). A rhetorical question follows, introduced by quantulum – how little? His listeners are intended to think of the answer themselves – at the very most, not as much reading as is done. Lines 8–11 Quintilian moves on to hypothesis quae si omnia studiis impenderentur – if all of our (periods of) time were to be spent on study There is also repetition of omnia – already used emphatically at the end of the first paragraph – an aural reinforcement, although in its first use it meant 'all things to be studied' and here it means 'all periods of available time'.		
	There is emphasis on the idea of plenty of time available, should we want to use it, by the use of vocabulary: <u>iam</u> nobis <u>longa</u> et <u>abunde satis</u> ad discendum		

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	An alternative idea, itself containing contrast, is given to emphasise the point being made: vel <u>diurna</u> tantum tempora ut nihil <u>noctes</u>		
	There is careful word order expressing this contrast of day and night-time hours – almost chiastic: diurna tantum nihil noctes adj / adv adv / noun		
	A comparative adjective is used to indicate excess : longior – too long (i.e. longer than is needed)		
(b) Explain in detail	While different answers are possible, evidence supplied would be expected to include some of the following information:		
what each of the activities in lines 4 and 5 (vanus curam) was, and how they collectively add to Quintilian's argument.	All of the activities in this list could be most time-consuming, and Quintilian has observed that Roman citizens spend a good proportion of their lives pursuing them. He lists them to support his point that people make time short for themselves by engaging in such activities. Listing all these activities gives considerable emphasis to how much time is spent away from gaining more knowledge from study.		
	vanus salutandi labor This refers to the Roman practice of clients forging or cementing a relationship with their patron. A client needed to make early morning visits salutationes to the house of his patron, to be given a job or favour of some kind or even a handout of food or money – sportula. The client cliens would have to rise while it was still dark in order to get to the front of the queue of clients and have a chance of getting something from the patronus, who might require the client to accompany him throughout that day – to the forum, baths and / or dinner. Attendance on a patron could be very time-consuming. If the client then received no handout, favour or job, his efforts, which took so much time, had been vanus – pointless.		
	fabulis Theatrical performances could last all day (with a series of plays) or for several days on end.		
	spectacula These are public entertainments watched by large numbers of spectators – chariot races and gladiatorial fights in the Circus Maximus and (by the end of the reign of Vespasian) the Flavian amphitheatre – later known as the Colosseum. These entertainments also lasted for days on end, and if Quintilian wrote this after the opening of the amphitheatre, he would have known that for the inauguration the gladiatorial games lasted some 100 days.		
	convivia Roman banquets / feasts cenae could be substantial, consisting of many courses and lasting from mid-afternoon until late in the night. They could involve lavish entertainment as well as the actual eating, and money and time spent on them could be excessive.		

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	tot genera ludendi 'so many kinds of playing' – Here Quintilian generalises, but he may have in mind such activities as gambling with dice, playing board games or visiting wine and snack bars tabernae / thermopolia, all of which consume time.		
	insanam corporis curam Ironically Quintilian describes care of the body as 'unhealthy'. He is emphasising the long hours some people would spend in the baths thermae, proceeding through the many rooms of different temperatures, including sitting long periods in a sauna, having first exercised vigorously in the palaestra and / or natatio and being attended to by masseurs, hairpluckers and hairdressers. His point is that some people have an unhealthily time-consuming interest in pampering their bodies.		

TASK THREE: TRANSLATION OF PASSAGE TWO

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TASK FOUR: CRITICAL APPRECIATION OF PASSAGE TWO (Other answers are possible.)

Question	Response	Valid Response	Perceptive Response
(a) In lines 153–155 Virgil describes the life of bees metaphorically. Explain in detail how the vocabulary used in the metaphor	While other answers are possible, evidence supplied would be expected to include some of the following: The vocabulary used for aspects of the life of bees (in particular the nouns) is usually used for aspects of the life of people. The effect of this is to add emphasis to the bees' intelligence, desire for order, responsible care given to their young and even patriotism and piety.		
corresponds to aspects of the life of bees. What view of bees is the reader supposed to develop as a result of this metaphor?	Specifically: natos a poetic word used for human children tecta usually a house built for human habitation urbis the city – for Romans, this was Rome legibus laws (written down after consideration by the Roman senate) patriam the fatherland, to which a Roman owed his duty and for which he must be pius penates the household gods, such as Aeneas brought from Troy to Italy, so important were they for the health and wellbeing of a nation		
	This language would have appealed to the Roman sense of order and respect for responsibly carrying out civic duty. It has the effect here of making the creatures admirable, in being civilised, as the Romans believe they themselves are.		
(b) The work of bees is, in modern times, more likely to be found described in prose in a biology textbook than in	While other answers are possible, poetic devices identified and explained would be expected to include some of the following: In line 176 it is almost as if Virgil is asking divine permission to make an epic comparison si parva licet componere magnis If it is permissible to compare small things with large		
epic poetry. Identify and explain in detail FOUR poetic devices in lines 169–178 (fervet suo) used by Virgil to elevate this subject matter to the level of epic poetry. Assess how effectively	Virgil uses an epic simile (lines 170–175). The work of bees is compared with that of the Cyclopes, the mythical and mighty giants who were said to forge thunderbolts for Jupiter in the fires of the volcano, Mount Etna. The simile is an extended one, including the various tasks of blacksmiths – working with sluggish metal, using bellows on the fire, plunging the hot metal into water to temper it, hitting the metal on an anvil with alternate blows, and turning the iron back and forth with tongs.		
Virgil has used these devices, giving reasons for your opinion.	Virgil uses the metre used by Homer for epic verse – dactylic hexameter. In line 169 he uses a string of dactyls to bring out the intense busyness of the bees' efforts with the fragrant honey fer vet o pūs re do lēntque thỷ mō		

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	In line 170 there is a sudden slowing of the rhythm achieved by a series of spondees, which help to reinforce the sluggishness of the metal to take its new shape, -tī lēn l tīs Cỹ l clō pēs l fūl mǐ ně l mās sīs		
	then in line 171 it is back to a faster pace again, to bring out the fact that the Cyclopes do hurry about their work. cūm prŏpĕ l rānt ălĭ l ī		
	In lines 172–3 (<i>accipiunt lacu</i>) there are alternate dactyls and spondees, a rhythm that imitates the flow of air in and out of the bellows and the plunging and drawing of the hot metal in and out of water.		
	In line 174 there is a sustained clash of word stress and verse ictus, which imitates the alternate blows from different giants onto the metal on the anvil, as well as spondees to bring out the heaviness of the work $\bar{1}$ lli $\bar{1}$		
	Line 175 repeats the rhythm of line 172, imitating the rhythm of the metal held by the tongs being turned back and forth.		
	Lines 177–8 contain many dactyls, which keep up the pace of the verse, to emphasise the innate urgency with which the bees work, driven by a desire to acquire their harvest.		
	Virgil uses several other poetic devices, eg the sound of words to bring out their meaning – onomatopoeia in line 172 stridentia tingunt (the assonance helps to suggest the hiss of the hot metal hitting the water) In line 175 there is alliteration forcipe ferrum and in line 177 a mythological allusion (bees being called natives of Athens – Cecropias).		
	It is most likely that an assessment of Virgil's use of poetic devices to raise the work of bees to epic level would be that it is very effective. Virgil uses sound, rhythm, word pictures (to assist visualisation) and an association with the gods to present the subject to the listener / reader, and thus makes quite an impact.		
	Less likely, but possible, is a viewpoint that the identified poetic devices are not effective because they are excessive. Either viewpoint is acceptable, provided that cogent reasons containing evidence along the lines of that presented above are presented to support it.		

Latin Scholarship Mark Allocation

PASSAGE ONE

Task One - Translation

Evidence	Mark
No more than ten vocab (V), grammar (G), fluency (F) errors in total with no more than four in any category.	8
No more than twelve errors in total, with no more than five in any category.	7
No more than fourteen errors in total, with no more than six in any category.	6
No more than sixteen errors in total, with no more than seven in any category.	5
No more than twenty errors in total, with no more than nine in any category.	4
No more than twenty-four errors in total, with no more than eleven in any category.	3
No more than twenty-eight errors in total, with no more than thirteen in any category.	2
No more than thirty-two errors in total, with no more than fifteen in any category	1
More than thirty-two errors in total, or more than fifteen errors in any category.	0

Task Two - Questions

Evidence	Mark
2 valid answers (2 × 2 points made with full supporting detail) 2 perception	8
2 valid answers (2 × 2 points made with full supporting detail) 1 perception	7
2 valid answers (2 x 2 points made with full supporting detail)	6
1 valid answer (2 points made with full supporting detail) 1 perception	5
1 valid answer (1 × 2 points made) and 1 extra relevant point with supporting detail	4
1 valid answer making 2 points with supporting detail	3
Any 2 relevant points	2
One relevant point	1
No meaningful answer	0

PASSAGE TWO

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Task Four - Questions

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