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Paper 1 Language 1

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Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

Additional materials: Answer Booklet (4 pages)



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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- You should answer this paper only if you have entered for the Foundation Tier.
- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer questions 1, 2 and 3.
- Write your answers in blue or black ink in the answer booklet provided.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- Total: 60 marks

**ADVICE TO CANDIDATES**

- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.

This document consists of **4** printed pages.

## Unprepared Comprehension and Translation

Answer questions 1, 2 and 3. The three passages form a continuous story, and you are advised to answer the questions in the order in which they appear.

1 Read the first section of the story carefully, then answer all the questions.

*After the emperor Nero got rid of his mother's closest friend, she turned against him and supported his rival to the throne, the young Britannicus.*

- 1 Agrippina erat mater imperatoris. iratissima erat quod Nero amicum  
 2 expulerat. ultionem petebat. inter amicos saepe ibat et 'Britannicus,  
 inquit, 'est filius imperatoris Claudii; ille melior imperator erit quam  
 4 Nero.' Nero, ubi haec verba audivit, Britannicum statim necare  
 5 constituit. militem igitur iussit venenum in cibum Britannici ponere.  
 6 iuvenis tamen vivebat.

### Names

<i>Agrippina, Agrippinae</i> (f)	Agrippina
<i>Nero, Neronis</i> (m)	Nero
<i>Britannicus, Britannici</i> (m)	Britannicus
<i>Claudius, Claudii</i> (m)	Claudius

### Vocabulary

<i>expello, expellere, expuli, expulsus</i>	I get rid of
<i>ultio, ultionis</i> (f)	revenge
<i>venenum, veneni</i> (n)	poison

(a) *Agrippina ... expulerat* (lines 1-2):

- (i) who was Agrippina? [1]  
 (ii) how did she feel? [1]  
 (iii) why did she feel this way? [2]

(b) In line 2, what **two** things was Agrippina doing? [2]

(c) *Britannicus ... Nero* (lines 2-4):

- (i) who was Britannicus? [1]  
 (ii) what did Agrippina say about him? [2]

(d) *Nero ... constituit* (lines 4-5): how did Nero react when he heard Agrippina's words? [2]

(e) *militem ... vivebat* (lines 5-6):

- (i) how did Nero plan to deal with Britannicus? [3]  
 (ii) how do we know the plan failed? [1]

[Total: 15]

- 2 Read this next section carefully and then translate it into English. **Please write your translation on alternate lines.**

*Nero's second attempt was more successful.*

Britannicus cum familia cenam consumebat. servus omnem cibum vinumque eius gustavit: venenum enim timebat. Britannicus poculum vini a servo accepit: nullum venenum in hoc vino erat. Britannicus iussit servum aquam frigidam in vinum ponere, quod vinum calidum erat. in hac aqua erat venenum; hoc per totum corpus tam celeriter pervasit ut nihil dicere posset. Nero ceteris hospitibus dixit vocem Britannici saepe infirmam esse, et eum mox vocem recepturum esse. Agrippina tamen intellexit quid accidisset.

### **Vocabulary**

<i>familia, familiae (f)</i>	family
<i>gusto, gustare, gustavi, gustatus</i>	I taste
<i>venenum, veneni (n)</i>	poison
<i>poculum, poculi (n)</i>	cup
<i>frigidus, frigida, frigidum</i>	cold
<i>calidus, calida, calidum</i>	hot
<i>pervado, pervadere, pervasi</i>	I spread
<i>possum, posse, potui</i>	I am able, can
<i>hospes, hospitis (m)</i>	guest
<i>infirmus, infirma, infirmum</i>	weak

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3 Read this final section of the story carefully, then answer all the questions.

*Agrippina, angered by the murder of Britannicus, tried unsuccessfully to build up opposition to Nero.*

1 quamquam Nero matri multa dona dedit, Agrippina tamen  
 2 iratissima erat: amicos ad se vocavit et pecuniam ab eis quaesivit.  
 3 deinde inter milites ibat rogans quis exercitum privatum ducere  
 4 vellet. Nero, cum hoc cognovisset, matrem transtulit ex sua in  
 5 aliam domum, ne cives, qui saepe ad domum imperatoris  
 6 veniebant, matrem quoque visitarent. Agrippina, iam ab omnibus  
 7 amicis relictis, nesciebat quid facere deberet. ubi libertus eam  
 8 accusavit coniurationis, Nero constituit matrem necare.

Based on Tacitus, *Annals*, XIII

**Vocabulary**

<i>exercitus, exercitus</i> (m)	army
<i>privatus, privata, privatum</i>	private
<i>ne</i>	lest, so that ... not
<i>visito, visitare, visitavi, visitatus</i>	I visit
<i>accuso, accusare, accusavi, accusatus</i>	I accuse
<i>coniuratio, coniurationis</i> (f)	conspiracy

(a) *quamquam ... erat* (lines 1-2):

- (i) what did Nero do to try to win back his mother's favour? [2]  
 (ii) pick out and translate **one Latin** word that shows his lack of success. [2]

(b) *amicos ... quaesivit* (line 2): what **two** things did Agrippina do? [2]

(c) *deinde ... vellet* (lines 3-4): why did Agrippina go among the soldiers? [2]

(d) *ne cives ... visitarent* (lines 5-6): when Nero found out about his mother's activities, what did he do, and why? [5]

(e) *Agrippina ... deberet* (lines 6-7):

- (i) what was the immediate result of Nero's actions? [2]  
 (ii) how did this affect Agrippina's plans? [1]

(f) *ubi ... necare* (lines 7-8): describe fully how Agrippina's situation now became much worse. [4]

[Total: 20]

[Total mark for Paper 1 = 60]

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