

# GCSE CLASSICAL CIVILISATION

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## What Will I Be Studying?

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Classical Civilisation is a rigorous, academic and well-respected subject which allows students to delve into the myth, history, architecture, daily life and literature of the ancient Greeks and Romans.

You will study two key components.

Component 1:

Thematic Study – Myth and Religion

This involves a comparative study of the myths, festivals and religious customs of ancient Greece and Rome using both literary and material sources.

Component 2:

Literature and Culture – Roman City Life

This involves two study elements: one element is an in-depth cultural study of life in ancient Rome; and the other is a study of ancient literature about life in ancient Rome.

## How Will I Be Assessed?

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There will be two examinations in the two components.

Paper 1: Thematic Study (1hr 30 mins) – 50% of qualification

Paper 2: Literature and Culture (1 hr 30 mins) – 50% of qualification

## Who Would Enjoy This Course?

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This course is well suited to people who have a broad range of interests, from reading myths and stories, to analysing ancient architecture, to learning about life and death in the ancient world, and to finding out how ancient religious festivals led to modern day celebrations such as Valentine's Day and Christmas. If you are inquisitive, imaginative and open minded, this will be a course which will compliment any other subjects you are taking at GCSE.

## How Will This Course Help Me In The Future?

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Classical Civilisation is a well-respected subject which prepares and helps support students in a multitude of other essay-based subjects. The broad nature of the course, and the strong focus on material and written sources, encourages students to think critically and analytically, skills which are desirable in all professions. Furthermore, Classical Civilisation helps shape students' understanding of the world we live in today, so much of which is based on events, discoveries and creations from the ancient world.