



COURSE TITLE

GCSE Classical Civilisation

EXAM BOARD

Oxford Cambridge and RSA (OCR)

COURSE CONTENT

Pupils venture into the Classical world of Ancient Rome and Greece. Pupils explore literature and art and archaeology to understand culture, religion, philosophy, daily life and much more. Pupils study two units: Myth and Religion; and Roman Daily Life.

OVERVIEW OF ASSESSMENT

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3
Component 1 Myth and Religion 50%	Component 2 Roman City life 50%	
A comparative study of ancient Greece and Rome, and combine literary and visual/material sources.	An in-depth cultural study with the study of a related body of literature.	

Recommended Reading/links

OCR Classical Civilisation, GCSE Route 1 Myth and Religion, Ben Greenley, Dan Menashe and James Renshaw.

The Homeric Hymns:

- Hymn to Demeter
- Hymn to Heracles the Lion Hearted

Plutarch, The Parellel Lives: Comparison of Theseus and Romulus

Livy, The Early History of Rome

Ovid Metamorphosis:

- Achelous and Hercules
- Hercules and Nessus
- The death of Hercules
- Orpheus and Eurydices

Virgil Aeneid



Horace, Satires

Juvenal, Satire

Petronius, Satyricon: Dinner with Trimalchio

Pliny, Letters

FUTURE PATHWAYS

Pupils who study Classical Civilisation at GCSE and able to undertake the subject at A-level and then at university, increasing their knowledge of the Classical world. The course has been designed to provide learners with a broad, coherent and rewarding study of the culture of the classical world. The course will help learners to understand the legacy of the classical world, whilst developing their knowledge and skills in preparation for further educational opportunities.