

# Commentary on candidate 3 evidence

The candidate evidence has achieved the following marks for each question of question paper 1: literary appreciation.

## Question 10a

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** for identifying that it is easier to give in to love. To achieve the second mark, the candidate needed to show a clearer understanding that resisting would make the lover's situation worse.

## Question 10b

The candidate was awarded **0 marks** because they appeared to be struggling to understand the text and were unable to identify any of the relevant examples.

## Question 11

The candidate was awarded **3 marks**.

- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for the idea that Propertius' girlfriend would be insulted by his reference to 'purchased show'.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for his suggestion that her 'artificial beauty' is ugly.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for his attempt to change her behaviour.

The comments relating to Ovid's girlfriend were drawn from material outwith the lines cited and no further marks could be awarded.

## Question 12

The candidate was awarded **3 marks** because they used three valid examples to support their view that Ovid's regret was genuine:

- ◆ her tears made him feel terrible (**1 mark**)
- ◆ 'her frozen expression' showed him he had committed a 'terrible crime' (**1 mark**)
- ◆ he would rather hurt himself ('forego a part of myself') than see her upset (**1 mark**)

## Question 13

The candidate was awarded **0 marks** because the point they made was not relevant to the poem in the question.

### Question 14a

The candidate was awarded **2 marks** because they made two valid points; Ovid rejects 'going into the military' and he rejects 'being a politician'.

### Question 14b

The candidate was awarded **2 marks** because they explained Ovid's view that poetry brings fame and that as a result, his name will be remembered 'even after his death'.

### Question 15

The candidate was awarded **3 marks**.

- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for identifying a similar strength of feeling in both authors; 'a subtle flame' and 'my simmering liver'.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for noting that despite their jealousy, both poets are still struck by their girlfriend's beauty; Catullus 'tongue is paralysed' when he sees her and Horace comments on her 'delicious mouth'.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for commenting that jealousy affects both poets physically; 'my ears ring' and 'stealthy tears'.

### Question 16

The candidate was awarded **4 marks** because they identified and explained two valid points.

- ◆ **2 marks** were awarded for 'the word choice of "miserum" shows his torment as he is miserable still loving her and wants away but can't let go'.
- ◆ **2 marks** were awarded for 'pestem'; the poet compares his love to a disease, showing 'how badly Catullus wants away but love is contagious so he can't let go'.

### Question 17

The candidate was awarded **0 marks** because they did not make any relevant points.

### Question 18a

The candidate was awarded **0 marks** because they did not attempt the question.

### Question 18b

The candidate was awarded **2 marks** because they explained the feelings of nostalgia that these lines evoke and commented on their 'relatability'.

## Question 19

The candidate was awarded **12 marks** because they engaged with the question and discussed relevant examples. Their range of reference was not wide enough, and their argument did not emerge clearly until the conclusion.

### Content

#### Ovid's attitude (4 marks)

- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for commenting, with supporting reference to poem 4, that Ovid enjoys Corinna's confidence.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for noting the way Ovid treats her resistance as a game.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for showing awareness of the historical context, backed by reference to poem 6.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for discussion of Ovid's feelings of guilt and regret.

#### Catullus' attitude (3 marks)

- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for discussing the poet's love for Lesbia, supported by reference to the simile in poem 13.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for exploring his complex attitude in poem 15.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for developing the point with reference to poem 19.

#### Propertius' attitude (2 marks)

- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for discussing his 'horrible' attitude to Cynthia with reference to poem 21.
- ◆ **1 mark** was awarded for commenting on the ways in which he appears to 'mock her and belittle her'.

### Structure

The candidate was awarded **3 marks** for their introduction and effective conclusion.