

Commentary on candidate evidence

The evidence for this candidate has achieved the following marks for each question in the Cicero section of this course assessment component.

Question 34

The candidate was awarded **3 marks** for:

- ♦ correctly identifying a governor's duties as including settling disputes (**1 mark**)
- ♦ 'hold the assizes' (**1 mark**)
- ♦ the idea of setting a high standard of conduct (**1 mark**)

Question 35 (a)

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** for identifying that the capture of the pirate vessel had been easy.

Question 35 (b)

The candidate was awarded the full **3 marks** available for correctly identifying the sale of stolen silver, slaves and tapestries as the way pirates made money.

Question 36

The candidate was awarded **3 marks** for:

- ♦ stating that 'the pirates had tormented them for so many years' (**1 mark**)
- ♦ 'public punishment and execution were seen as entertainment' (**1 mark**)
- ♦ identifying that the execution of the pirates was an affirmation of Roman power (**1 mark**)

Question 37

The candidate was awarded **2 marks** for identifying that:

- ♦ Servilius captured pirates for the good of Rome (**1 mark**)
- ♦ Verres captured them for his own benefit. Servilius provided the spectacle of public execution, Verres did not. (**1 mark**)

The marks are awarded for the contrast in treatment.

Question 38

The candidate was awarded **2 marks** for identifying that the quarries were a perfect prison, well-guarded and impossible to escape.

Question 39

The candidate was awarded **2 marks** for correctly identifying that the pirate captain was a fake who would be unmasked if spotted by the locals.

Question 40

The candidate was awarded **0 marks** for this question as there was no meaningful reference to the lines.

Question 41

The candidate was awarded **0 marks** as they did not attempt to answer this question.

Question 42

The candidate was awarded **2 marks** for identifying Verres' parties and laziness as amusing as well as shocking but failing to engage and elaborate with reasons for their view.