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**MARK SCHEME for the May/June 2011 question paper  
for the guidance of teachers**

**9787 CLASSICAL GREEK**

**9787/04**

Paper 4 (Prose Composition or Comprehension),  
maximum raw mark 40

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**Section A**

It was . . . preserved:	27
When a . . . any cities:	25
The general . . . battle:	15
So the . . . the chests:	16
Having realised . . . angry:	20

= 103 + 2 for breathings (see table below) = 105 divided by 3 = 35. Resulting marks with 1/3 should be rounded down, with 2/3 rounded up.

Breathings: 2 marks – all correct or all but one correct  
1 mark – two or three errors  
0 mark – more than three errors

1 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1  
According to Persian custom, before the army set out it used to march past the king,  
1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1  
and each soldier as he passed used to throw an arrow into boxes, which were  
1 1 2 1 1 1 2 1  
then carefully preserved.// When a certain general came home from campaign, the  
1 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2  
king, who remembered that the general had been confident that he would capture  
1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 1  
Antioch by surprise, asked him if he had taken any cities.// The general replied that,  
1 2 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1  
although he had not, he had defeated the enemy in a great battle.// So the king  
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  
ordered the army to march past him once again, and each man as he passed took  
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  
an arrow from the boxes./ Having calculated from the remaining number of arrows  
2 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 1  
how many had died and therefore what sort of victory his general had won, the king  
1 1 1  
became exceedingly angry.

**[Total: 40]**

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Then, in consideration of the whole passage, five marks for style and fluency are awarded according to the following grid:

5	Comprehensively fluent and idiomatic.
4	Judicious recasting of the English with good choice of vocabulary in accordance with appropriate idiom.
3	Some attempt to move beyond the literal to an idiomatic rendering of the text through use of more complex grammatical structures.
2	Some evidence of use of idiom, e.g. connectives, word order.
1	Very literal translation with only occasional attempt to capture idiom.
0	Very literal translation with no attempt to capture idiom.

### Section B

- (i) When about to cross from Asia. [1]
- (ii) By practice/by moderation/by not sleeping in the day. [3]
- (iii) At night/when others slept/and could not do anything/or speak to anyone. [4]
- (iv) A very dark (deep) night/dim lamp in the tent/quiet throughout the camp. [3]
- (v) Calculating and considering. [1]
- (vi) Four of: the appalling appearance of the thing – there are a number of adjectives which could be referred to (and its silence); the fact that he dared to speak to it; the fact that the thing is *kakos*; its awful prediction; his level-headed response (*οὐ διαταραχθείς*); repetition of the verb of seeing. [4]
- (vii) When the vision disappeared/they said that they hadn't seen/or heard anything. [3]
- (viii) We do not see or experience/everything truly/perception is fluid and deceitful. [3]
- (ix) It is not persuasive that they exist;/if they do, not persuasive that they come to us/having the form and voice of human beings,/and the power to reach us [4]
- (x) a. Genitive/time within which; b. accusative/after the preposition *ὡς* [4]
- (xi) a. πάντων ἀναπαυομένων (line 6) or ἀφανισθέντος δ' αὐτοῦ (line 17); b. it is accusative feminine singular, but of a dual form adjective. [2]
- (xii) a. 2<sup>nd</sup> person singular future (middle), *οραω*; b. perfect participle genitive singular, *παριστημι*. [4]
- (xiii) a. διαταραχθείς (line 16); b. αἰσθέσθαι (line 9); c. λόγοις χρώμενος (line 20); d. ὄντας (line 23). [4]

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