



MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL

Sample Academic Scholarship Paper

LANGUAGE PAPER

30 minutes

Answer one option only of either French, German, Greek, Latin or Spanish.

You will be given a short time to read the questions before deciding which to answer.

Please write your name at the top of your answer sheet(s)

Option 1: French

Answer all the questions in this section.

A. Give the correct form of the possessive adjective. An example is given.

ex	my car	<i>ma</i>	voiture
1	his tie		cravate
2	her father		père
3	their newspaper		journal
4	his friend		amie
5	our teachers		professeurs

(5 marks)

B. Supply the present tense of the verb in brackets. You should write one-word answers.

ex	Nous (monter) dans le grenier.
	<i>montons</i>
1	Ils (avoir) les maunscrits volés.
2	Vous (être) heureux.
3	Les locomotives (suivre) les rails.
4	Tu ne (punir) pas ton chien.
5	Le train (partir) à une heure.

(5 marks)

C. Make the adjectives agree with the nouns. An example is given.

ex	des garçons (sportif)	<i>sportifs</i>
1	une sorcière (cruel)	
2	une (bon) élève	
3	une sauce (épais)	
4	un (vieux) homme	
5	une (long) histoire	

(5 marks)

D. Make the following phrases negative using ne and pas. An example is given.

ex	Juliette est sage.
	<i>Juliette n'est pas sage.</i>
1	Il range ses affaires.
2	J'ai le temps d'écrire une lettre.
3	Ils vont visiter ce château.
4	Tu fais une erreur.
5	Nous avons de la chance.

(5 marks)

E. Make the following sentences plural. An example is given. Two marks are available for each correct sentence.

ex	Je me lève pour manger un œuf.
	<i>Nous nous levons pour manger des œufs.</i>
1	J'écris une longue lettre.
2	Cette femme est jolie.
3	Je vois un bel œil.
4	J'admire le détail de ce travail.
5	Celui-ci est mon neveu.

(5 marks)

F. Read the text below and answer the questions that follow in the spaces provided in English. You are not required to use full sentences.

Femme (qui parle à son mari) : Le fermier nous a bien dit dix minutes, n'est-ce pas? Ça fait déjà une demi-heure qu'on cherche ce camping. Tu t'es trompé en prenant à gauche après le pont. Cette route devient de plus en plus étroite. Je suis sûre qu'elle ne mène qu'à une ferme ou quelque chose comme ça. Il faut faire demi-tour.

1. How long have the couple been looking for the campsite since they last asked for directions?
2. Whom did they ask?
3. How long were they told it would take?
4. Where does the wife think her husband went wrong?
5. What makes her think they are on the wrong road?

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(20 marks)

SECTION B (10 min)

Translate these sentences into German as best as you can. Even if you do not know the entire sentence, write the words you know!

1	<i>My sister goes home.</i>	
2	<i>Do you like to eat apples?</i>	
3	<i>Karl gives his friend a book.</i>	
4	<i>My best friend has a brown dog.</i>	
5	<i>Where are my glasses?</i>	
6	<i>I have forgotten my homework.</i>	
7	<i>You (plural) will be taking the bus.</i>	
8	<i>We were driving to Berlin by car.</i>	
9	<i>Let me help you.</i>	
10	<i>If I could, I would be a chess champion.</i>	

(10 marks)

Option 3: Greek

Answer all questions in both Section A and Section B.

SECTION A

1. Give the correct form of the article to go with the noun.

- a. ___ υίον
- b. ___ θεα
- c. ___ ήγεμονας
- d. ___ στρατιωτης
- e. ___ ύδωρ
- f. ___ φωνην
- g. ___ ιατρον

2. Give the correct form of the noun to go with the article.

- a. της [άγορα]
- b. τους [πατηρ]
- c. τω [ήλιος]
- d. ταις [νυξ]
- e. των [γη]
- f. του [ναυτης]
- g. αί [οικια]

3. Using the parts of the verb λύω, give the Greek for:

- a. They were releasing
- b. She will release
- c. I released
- d. You (pl.) were releasing
- e. We will release
- f. He releases

(10 marks)

SECTION B

Translate into English and write your translation on the next page:

(20 marks)

A personal peace...

Words underlined are given in the vocabulary list underneath the passage.

οἱ Ἀθηναῖοι τοῖς θεοῖς ἔθυσαν ὅτι οἱ Λακεδαιμόνιοι τὴν αὐτῶν πόλιν λαμβάνειν ἠθέλον. ὁ μὲν τῶν Ἀθηνῶν δῆμος τοὺς ἀγγέλους τοῖς πολεμίοις οὐκ ἐπέμψαν, ἀνὴρ δὲ τις (ὁ Δικαιοπολις ὀνοματι) τὴν εἰρηνὴν ἠθέλεν. αὐτὸς οὖν διὰ τῶν ὄρων πρὸς τὴν τῶν Λακεδαιμόνων χώραν μόνος ἦλθεν.

ἔπει εἰς τὴν μεγίστην πόλιν τὴν τῶν πολεμίων ἦλθε, τοῖς ἀνθρώποις ἔλεξε, "ποῦ οἱ βασιλεῖς εἰσιν; οὐ καθυδῆσω πρὶν τὰς σπονδας ἔχω." τῇ πρώτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἐν τῇ Σπάρτῃ εἰς τῶν βαρβάρων τὰς σπονδας ἔγραψε, γὰρ τὴν εἰρηνὴν καὶ ἔχειν ἠθέλεν. ὁ δὲ ἄλλος βασιλεὺς τὸν Δικαιοπολιν λείπειν ἐκέλευσε. ὁ οὖν Δικαιοπολις τρία δῶρα τῷ ἄλλῳ βασιλεῖ ἐπέμψε καὶ ἐν τῇ ἀγορᾷ ἐμείνεν. ὁ δεύτερος βασιλεὺς ἔλεξεν· "τὴν εἰρηνὴν νῦν οὐ κωλύω, ὅτι μοι πειθεῖς." ἔπει ὁ Δικαιοπολις ἐν ταῖς Ἀθήναις παλιν παρῆν, οἱ ἄλλοι Ἀθηναῖοι ζηλοτυποὶ ἦσαν.

Vocabulary (alphabetical)

Proper Nouns

Δικαιοπολις, Δικαιοπολεως ὁ	Dikaiopolis (an Athenian citizen)
Λακεδαιμόνιος, Λακεδαιμόνιου ὁ	Spartan (a citizen of the city of Sparta)
Σπάρτη, Σπάρτης ἡ	Sparta (a city in Greece)

Other Vocabulary

ἀγγελος, ἀγγέλου ὁ	messenger
δεύτερος, α, ον	second
ζηλοτυπος, ζηλοτυπον	jealous
μοι	me (<i>Dative Case of ἐγώ</i>)
ὄρος, ὄρους το	mountain
παλιν	again
πρὶν	before
σπονδαι, σπονδων αἱ	treaty



Option 4: Latin

Translate into English, writing your translation on the next page. Some words (underlined) are glossed below, but other words at which you might be expected to make a reasonable guess have not been given to you.

After Nero got rid of his mother's favourite, Pallas, she turned against him and supported his rival to the throne, Britannicus.

postquam Nero Pallantem expulit, Agrippina, mater imperatoris, iratissima erat. statim filium minari coepit. 'Britannicus,' inquit, 'cuius pater erat imperator Claudius, iam adultus est. ille, non filius meus, imperator esse debet.' Nero, his verbis territus, Britannicum interficere constituit. hoc aperte facere nolebat, quod cives Romani Britannicum maxime amabant; itaque militi imperavit ut venenum in cibum Britannici poneret. iuvenis tamen, consumpto veneno, non mortuus est.

Nero's second attempt was more successful.

Britannicus cum familia et amicis sedebat ut cenam consumeret. quod semper timebat ne aliquis se interficere conaretur, unus ex servis omnem cibum vinumque gustavit, priusquam Britannico data sunt. ubi poculum vini nimis calidi, in quod nullum venenum positum erat, ei datum est, Britannicus iussit servum aquam frigidam vino addere. in hac aqua fuit venenum, validius quam antea; quod per totum corpus tam celeriter pervasit ut vox et spiritus statim raperentur. omnes Neronem spectabant: ille tamen dixit Britannicum haec saepe pati. Agrippina sola, quae filium suum bene cognoverat, intellexit Britannicum iam mori.

Vocabulary (in alphabetical order):

Names

<i>Nero, Neronis m.</i>	Nero	<i>Pallas, Pallantis m.</i>	Pallas
<i>Agrippina, Agrippinae f.</i>	Agrippina	<i>Britannicus, Britannici m.</i>	Britannicus
<i>Claudius, Claudii m.</i>	Claudius		

Other Vocabulary

<i>addo, addere, addidi, additus</i>	I add	<i>minor, minari, minatus sum</i>	I threaten
<i>aliquis, aliquid</i>	someone, something	<i>nimis</i>	too much (+ gen.)
<i>antea</i>	before	<i>nullus, a, um</i>	no, none
<i>aperte</i>	openly	<i>pervado, pervadere, pervasi, pervasus</i>	I spread
<i>calidus, a, um</i>	hot	<i>poculum, poculi n.</i>	cup
<i>cena, cenae f.</i>	dinner	<i>priusquam</i>	before
<i>coepi</i>	I began	<i>sedeo, sedere, sedi, sessus</i>	I sit
<i>cognosco, cognoscere, cognovi, cognitus</i>	I know, get to know	<i>rapio, rapere, rapui, raptus</i>	I snatch
<i>expello, expellere, expuli, expulsus</i>	I get rid of	<i>spiritus, spiritus m.</i>	breath
<i>familia, familiae f.</i>	family	<i>tam</i>	so
<i>frigidus, a, um</i>	cold	<i>timeo...ne...</i>	I am afraid that...
<i>gusto, gustare, gustavi, gustatus</i>	I taste	<i>validus, a, um</i>	strong
<i>imperator, imperatoris m.</i>	emperor	<i>venenum, veneni n.</i>	Poison
<i>intellego, intellegere, intellexi, intellectus</i>	I understand		

Dotted lines for writing.

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SECTION B (10 min)

Translate these sentences into Spanish. If you do not know the entire sentence, write the words you know!

1	<i>My sister goes home</i>	
2	<i>Do you like to eat apples?</i>	
3	<i>Pedro gives his friend a book.</i>	
4	<i>My best friend has a brown dog.</i>	
5	<i>Where are my glasses?</i>	
6	<i>I have not done my homework.</i>	
7	<i>You (plural) will be taking the bus.</i>	
8	<i>We were driving to Bilbao by car.</i>	
9	<i>If I sleep more, I am less tired.</i>	
10	<i>My friends love to play video games on line</i>	

(10 marks)

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