

# CLASSICAL CIVILISATION



# CLASSICAL CIVILISATION IN THE SIXTH FORM

Classical Civilisation is completely separate from Latin and is not a language. Classical Civilisation is a subject which takes some of the key skills from other subjects and combines them, giving pupils the opportunity to develop a breadth of learning not found in many other subjects. The subject promotes:

- An appreciation of how the classical world influenced and shaped the trajectory of western culture.
- An appreciation of political history and propaganda.
- The forming of opinions and defending them in reasoned debate.
- An appreciation of religion, culture, literature and art.

Classical Civilisation serves as an excellent complement to both the arts and the sciences, covering a diverse range of topics.



## WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

You do not need to have studied Classical Civilisation previously to take the subject at A Level. The three topics covered are separate from earlier courses and do not pose any obstacle for a pupil who is new to studying the subject.

Unit 1: The World of the Hero  
Homer's 'Odyssey' & Virgil's 'Aeneid'

Unit 2: Culture & the Arts  
Greek Art

Unit 3: Beliefs & Ideas  
Greek Religion



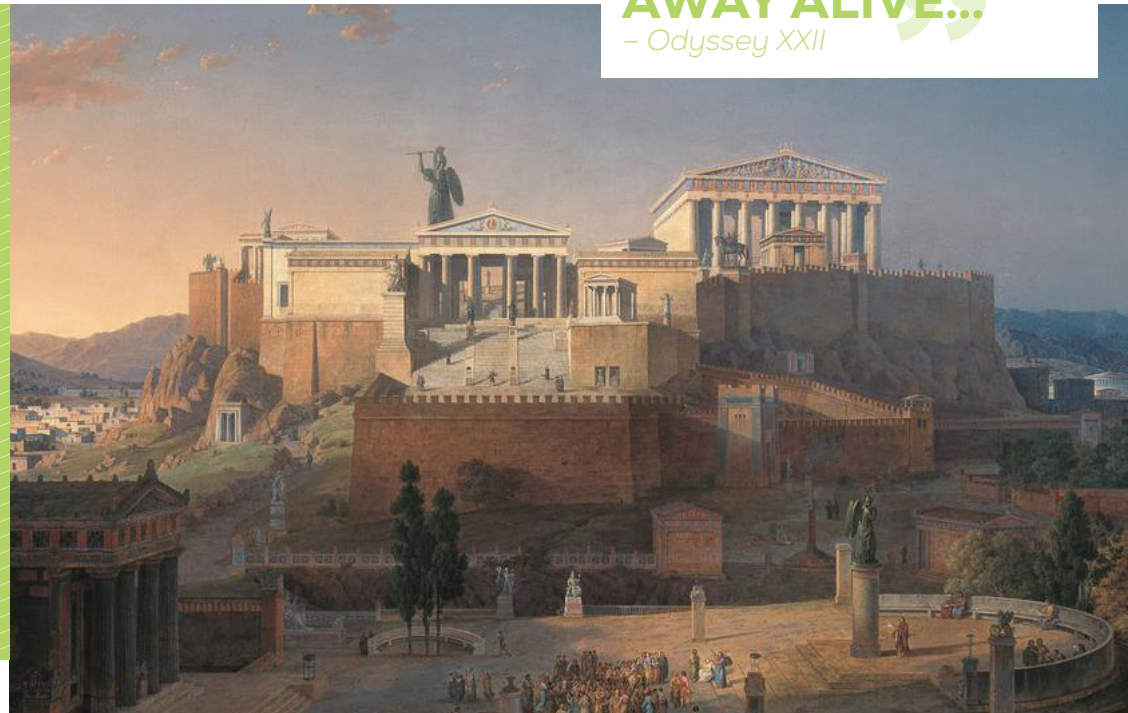
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– *Odyssey XXII*

## WHAT SKILLS WILL I GAIN?

There are a wide range of skills that can be gained from studying classics – here are just a few:

- Reading of complex and nuanced literature
- Writing complex essays on a diverse range of themes
- Understanding political systems and structures
- Analysing and evaluating both literary and material sources
- Appreciating the role of propaganda and politics within writing
- Reading and evaluating historical sources
- Interpreting and applying evidence to justify opinions



# CAREERS

Studying Classical Civilisation opens up a wide range of career options:

**CIVIL SERVANT** **ARCHAEOLOGIST** **JOURNALIST**  
**PR** **CONSERVATION OFFICER**  
**PR** **MANAGEMENT CONSULTANCY**  
**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT**  
COPYWRITER **CURATOR** **EDITOR** **MARKET RESEARCHER**  
ARCHIVIST **LECTURER**  
**BARRISTER** **AUCTIONEER**  
MILITARY **HERITAGE MANAGER**  
TEACHER **POLITICIAN** **SOLICITOR**



If you would like to discuss the A Level specification and the options that the Classics Department offer, please don't hesitate to contact  
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