

Commentary on candidate evidence

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

The candidate was awarded a total of **18 marks** as follows:

Question 8(a)

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** for:

‘The maze is deliberately confusing as it has all the twisting paths and ‘devious paths winding in different directions’.’ This is worth 1 mark as the supporting quotation does not make a new point.

Question 8(b)

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** for:

- ◆ ‘The maze ... was used to house the Minotaur’

Question 9

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

- ◆ ‘Ovid tells us about Crete’s ruler Minos’
- ◆ ‘he rules all of Crete including the sea’

The point about Minos not ruling the sky is not relevant here as the question asks about Crete, not Minos.

Question 10(a)

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** for:

- ◆ ‘using all the feathers’

Question 10(b)

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** for:

- ◆ ‘the wings Daedalus has are made from bees wax and string.’

Question 11

The candidate was awarded **3 marks** for making the following valid points for both 'yes' and 'no':

- ◆ (Yes) 'Icarus is described as a boy *'puer'* adding a childish connotation o him.'
This response falls under the heading of 'Any other valid point'.
- ◆ (Yes) 'he...playing with the materials Daedalus need to make the wings.'
- ◆ (No) 'it could be excused because hes only a kid.'

Question 12

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

- ◆ 'don't fly to close to the waves'
- ◆ 'don't fly close to the sun'

There is no mark for the feathers getting wet, as this is not mentioned in the Latin reference.

Question 13

The candidate was awarded **1 mark** in a block review.

The candidate does not refer to the text, but instead describes the scene in general terms. There is no explanation of what the candidate's Latin quote means, which could have gained marks. Latin text without any translation or paraphrase does not normally gain any marks.

Question 14

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

- ◆ 'fisherman'
- ◆ 'farmer/plougher'
- ◆ 'shepherd'

There is no mark for the people being amazed at what they saw, as it is not relevant here.

Question 15

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

- ◆ 'he didn't listen to his father'
- ◆ 'flying to close to the sun'
- ◆ 'causing his wings to melt'

Question 16

The candidate was awarded **0 marks**.

The candidate describes how Daedalus looks for his son which features in an earlier part of the passage, this is not within the line reference of the question.

Question 17

The candidate was awarded **0 marks**.

The candidate's response does not explain the links between Talus and the partridge, which is what the question asks.