

Imperial Image

<u>A-Level Classical Civilisation – Culture and the Arts</u>

Imperial Image Revision Checklist

	The Life and Times of Julius Caesar	
	The benefits for Augustus associating himself with Julius Caesar, including:	
	Popularity with the plebeian class and the army	
	☐ Military strength	
	The illustrious men and gods that are ancestors of the Julian clan	
Octavian Comes to Rome	☐ How he sought to achieve this association	
	The possible dangers of association with Julius Caesar and how Augustus	
	sought to distance himself from the problematic aspects of Caesar's public	
	image	
	Octavian Becomes Caesar	
es	☐ How Octavian sought to achieve this association with both Julius Caesar and	
Ĕ	the Julian Clan after disassociating himself from the politically insignificant	
0	Octavii	
٥	Octavian Enters the Senate	
lar	☐ The Battle at Mutina in 43 BC and how Octavian managed to gain the support	
ĭ∑	of the Senate, who then awarded him consulship	
cte	The Second Triumvirate	
ŏ	The purpose of the Second Triumvirate and how it differed from the First	
	Triumvirate	
	Octavian Avenges His Father The Dattle of Bhilinia 40 BO and heavite libraries to 6 If the stides of	
	☐ The Battle of Philipi in 42 BC and how it allowed Octavian to fulfil the virtue of	
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	The significance of the victory in that Octavian and Antony remained as the two	
	most powerful men in Rome	

	Imperator Octavian	
	How Octavian sought to portray himself as a glorious military leader	
	through his campaign against Sextus Pompeius in 36 BC	
	The Triumvirate Falls Apart	
	☐ The significance of the Second Triumvirate falling apart and the	
	consequences that this would subsequently lead to between 42 and 30	
	BC	
	Octavian as the Benefactor of the people of Rome	
	☐ The beginning of Octavian's reform programme to portray himself as	
	the generous benefactor of Rome and its people, through construction	
	and restoration projects, such as the Temple of the Deified Julius	
	Caesar (42 BC)	
	Octavian as Apollo's Favourite	
	How Octavian sought to strengthen his links to Apollo in relation to the	
	image he was attempting to portray to the Romans and how this	
	contrasted to Antony's link to Dionysus	
	Livia and Octavian: Power Couple	
	How Livia helped strengthen Octavian's favour with the conservatives	
	through abiding by the traditional roles of a Roman matrona	
a)	Prescribed Source: Head of Livia (31 BC)	
g	Antony Mismanages His Public Image	
ng T	How Antony's affair with Cleopatra caused a scandal in Rome and	
tr	plagued his image with anti-Roman behaviour and how Octavian	
S	sought to further strengthen this attitude	
Power Struggle	Antony's Fatal Mistake: The Donations of Alexandria	
≶	How the Romans perceived Antony's triumph in Alexandria and the	
P	significance of his actions in proclaiming Cleopatra as 'Queen of Kings'	
	Octavian Seals Antony's Fate	
	The significance of Octavian seizing the will of Antony from the Temple	
	of Vesta and the Senate decreeing war on a foreign power	
	Octavian Brings Peace	
	☐ The importance of using the goddess Pax as a motif on propaganda☐ The Roman victory at Actium and how Octavian hoped for it to be seen	
	as one of the glorious and most significant moments in Roman history	
	Prescribed Source: Denarius, obv. Bare head of Octavian, rev. Pax	
	standing left holding olive branch and cornucopia	
	Standing left holding onve branch and comucopia (Spinning' Actium	
	Why Octavian needed to 'spin' Actium in order to portray the victory as	
	glorious	
	☐ The importance of the following individuals: Horace, Propertius and	
	Maecenas	
	Prescribed Source: Epode 9, A Toast to Actium (Horace)	
	Prescribed Source: Odes 1.37, Cleopatra (Horace)	
	Prescribed Source: Elegies 3.11, Woman's Power (Propertius)	
	How Actium was commemorated and the symbolic importance of	
	literature and monuments	
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	Augustus Saves the Republic	
	☐ How the Principate was established and the role of the Princeps Senatus	
	☐ The significance of the First Settlement and how it allowed Octavian to not lose	
	any power	
	Prescribed Source: Aureus, obv. Head of Octavian, rev. Octavian seated on a	
	bench holding a scroll	
	Augustus the Religious Leader	
	Be able to explain the reasons why Augustus chose to have religious roles and	
	the importance of these different roles held	
	☐ Prescribed Source: Denarius, obv. Bareheaded portrait of Augustus, rev.	
	sacrificial implements above tripod and patera	
	☐ Prescribed Source: Elegies 4.5 (Propertius)	
	Augustus Secures Peace Throughout the Empire	
	The attributes and roles expected of Roman men	
	☐ The importance of 'Pax Augusta' and how attempted to pacify the Empire	
	☐ Prescribed Source: Elegies 3.4 (Propertius)	
	☐ Prescribed Source: Prima Porta Augustus Statue	
	☐ Prescribed Source: Elegies 3.12 (Propertius)	
	Augustus Adjusts His Relationship with Julius Caesar	
	How Augustus sought to distance himself from the problematic aspects of	
	Julius Caesar and how these were a contrast to after the assassination (44 BC)	
	Prescribed Source: Denarius, obv portrait of Augustus with oak wreath, rev.	
⊆	eight-rayed comet with a tail pointing upwards	
<u>.</u>	☐ Prescribed Source: Metamorphoses 15.745 – 870 (Ovid)	
Augustus' Reign	Augustus the Father of the State	
5.0	☐ How Rome had been troubled during the period of the Republic and how	
Sin	Octavian sought to strengthen morals and relationships with the gods	
st	☐ Prescribed Source: Odes 3.6 Moral Decadence (Horace)	
ng	☐ Prescribed Source: Odes 3.14 Augustus Returns (Horace)	
Ď	The Dawn of a New Golden Age	
⋖	☐ The significance of Augustus encouraging the idea of the 'Golden Race'	
	☐ What the Golden Age represented	
	☐ Prescribed Source : Carmen Saeculare (Horace)	
	☐ Prescribed Source: Odes 4.15 To Augustus (Horace)	
	Augustus and his 'Sons'	
	☐ The Principate was not a hereditary position and why Augustus needed to	
	avoid instability after his death	
	The reasons why Augustus wanted to secure the succession of power	
	The roles of Augustus' children and why they were/ were not suitable heirs	
	Prescribed Source: Aureus, Gaius and Lucius as Princeps Iuventutis, obv.	
	Augustus' Head wreathed, rev. Gaius and Lucius Caesar standing veiled with	
	_ shields and priestly symbols	
	☐ Prescribed Source: Odes 4.4 Drusus and the Claudians (Horace)	
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	☐ The importance and significance of Augustus' building and reformation	
	programme and his role as Benefactor of the city	
	Prescribed Source: The Forum of Augustus	
	Prescribed Source: Ara Pacis	
	Augustus' Image in the Empire	
	Prescribed Source: Augustus Relief, Kalabsha Gate	
	☐ How Augustus sought to portray his public image to provincial audiences	

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Augustus' Legacy		
	Prescribed Source: The Mausoleum of Augustus	
	Prescribed Source: Res Gestae	
Augustus' Death and the Aftermath		
	The significance of the role of Princeps after his death	
	Why Tiberius was seen to be the successor and the significance of his	
	father becoming deified after death	

Later Representations

Using Augustus' Image

- How Augustus' style influenced the way in which his successor attempted to portray themselves to the Roman public
- ☐ Prescribed Source: Sebasteion at Aphrodisias

Writing About Augustus: Suetonius

- Be able to explain and understand how Augustus hoped his legacy hoped to be remembered both during his life and after death
- ☐ Prescribed Source: Life of Augustus (Suetonius)

Augustus in the Modern Age

- How Augustus has been portrayed after his death in several works, including:
 - Shakespeare's Antony and Cleopatra
 - Robert Graves' Claudius
 - Res Gestae published by Alan Massie which is claimed to be the autobiography of Augustus
 - Sandman comic series by Gaiman