



St John's College
Oxford



Classics and Ancient History Essay Competition 2020-21

St John's College is excited to welcome applications for this year's Classics and Ancient History Essay Competition! Year 12 students are invited to conduct a piece of independent research which will be read and evaluated by an Oxford tutor.

To enter:

- Choose your topic from the list below
- Conduct your research and write an essay
- Fill out your cover form*
- Send the cover form along with your essay to access@sjc.ox.ac.uk by **Thursday 25th February 2021**

All entrants will receive a certificate of participation and will be invited to a virtual Study Exploration Afternoon hosted by St John's College, Oxford on **Thursday 22nd April 2021**.

* For the full guidelines and application form, please see the College's website:

<https://www.sjc.ox.ac.uk/discover/events/classics-and-ancient-history-essay-competition-2020-21/>

Essay Titles:

1. 'Nice guys finish last.' Is this statement true for characters (of any gender) in ancient literature?
2. Did Greek and/or Roman elections express the will of the people?
3. Plato thought that democracy was the rule of the ignorant. Was he right?
4. In the ancient world, did the art of democracies express the same concerns as the art of the autocratic regimes?

Prizes will be awarded in each category, as well as one overall winner!

If you have any questions or would like more information, please get in touch!

access@sjc.ox.ac.uk

01865 277350



[@sjc_access](#) | [@classicsatoxford](#)



[@sjc.oxford](#) | [@ClassicsatOxford](#)



[@sjc_access](#) | [@oxfordclassics](#)