

troubleintimgad

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tavern

There's a flurry of activity by the door: the *vigiles*- nightwatchmen - are making their presence felt. There is some heated discussion before they depart. Funny how a coin or two improves 'fire safety'.

You look back across the table. The taciturn traveler has slipped away without a sound. You must have drunk more wine than you thought, but that probably won't stop you from [[refilling your cup->wine]].

(if: not (\$inv contains "tablet"))[[A wooden tablet lies folded on the table.->tablet]][]

[[Next->tavern choice]]

libraryentrance

You arrive a stately marble-veneered library, only recently built.

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The library, supposedly worth 40,000 sesterces, was largely the gift of Julius Quintianus Flavius Rogatianus. It of course came complete with a rather pompous statue of its benefactor, and the requisite inscription, lest anyone forget his name.

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<p> (font: "Cinzel")+(Color: "Wheat") [Ex liberalitate M. Iuli(i) Quintiani Flavi(i) Rogatiani c(larissimae) m(emoriae) v(iri) quam testamento suo Reipublicae Coloniae Thamugadensium patriae suae legavit opus bibliothecae ex sestertium CCCC mil(ibus) num(mum) curante Republica perfectum est.]

[[Enter the library->library]]

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scroll boxes

A grid of wooden shelves lines the wall, each recess piled with coiled paper scrolls. Rumor has it that 3000 scrolls are stored here, but the reality is more like half of that at most. Especially given that old mate Q F Rogatianus hadn't left anything for its upkeep.

One box is empty - the scrolls on the table must belong there. You As you peer into the dark recess you spot a
[[shining object->ring]]

[]

[[go back to the library entrance->libraryentrance]]

graffiti

The graffiti says:

'I sing of cloth-launders and an owl, not arms and a man.' Someone wasn't impressed by the lofty ideals of warrior masculinity embodied in Vergil's epic. Or perhaps they knew it to be a propaganda piece.

[[Arms and the man I sing ->virgil]]

[]

That's Minerva's owl ... Minerva being the patron of the <i>fullones</i>, the laundry-workers. Now there's a job

that needs a patron if any does, hefting sweaty togas through vats of urine all day

[]

[[what were you doing? Oh yes, drinking ->tavern]]

(set: \$culture to \$culture +1)

Your Culture score is now [[\$culture]]

ring

You pick up the ring, and try it on. It's large, heavy, and plain - a man's. A moon and stars are engraved upon it. This seems familiar - you've seen these symbols before. They belong to the Legion VI Vitrix. An officer's ring.

```
{
  (link: 'Leave the ring on your finger')[(replace: ?links)[tablet]][
    ((set: $inv to $inv + (a: "ring")) )]
  } or replace it and [[keep looking->scroll boxes]]
```

[]

leavetablet

Who is Lucilla? And who wrote this letter? It's all very curious, but clearly none of your business. The mystery will need to wait for some other traveler.

Your cup is running low. Perhaps you should [[order more wine->wine]]. Or maybe you've drunk enough. you could always [[go for a walk->road]] through the old town.

latin-dog

A sample Latin grammar side-quest: Declining Nouns

Dog: Canis, canis. masculine/feminine, third declension

<table>

<tr style="height: 21px;">

<th style="height: 21px;"> </th>

<th style="height: 21px;">Singular</th>

<th style="height: 21px;">Plural</th>

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<td style="height: 21px;">Canes</td>
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<tr style="height: 21px;">
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<td style="height: 21px;">Canes</td>
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<td style="height: 21px;">Acc</td>
<td style="height: 21px;">Canem</td>
<td style="height: 21px;">Canes</td>
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<tr style="height: 21px;">
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<td style="height: 21px;">Canibus</td>
</tr>
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<td style="height: 21px;">Ablative</td>
<td style="height: 21px;">Cane</td>
<td style="height: 21px;">Canibus</td>
</tr>
</table>
```

[[go back to the library entrance->libraryentrance]]

virgil

A sample Latin literature side-quest: Virgil

Arma virumque cano, Troiae qui primus ab oris
Italiam, fato profugus, Laviniaque venit
litora, multum ille et terris iactatus et alto
vi superum saevae memorem Iunonis ob iram;
5multa quoque et bello passus, dum conderet urbem,

inferretque deos Latio, genus unde Latinum,
Albanique patres, atque altae moenia Romae.

Arms and the man I sing, who first made way,
predestined exile, from the Trojan shore
to Italy, the blest Lavinian strand.
Smitten of storms he was on land and sea
by violence of Heaven, to satisfy
stern Juno's sleepless wrath; and much in war
he suffered, seeking at the last to found
the city, and bring o'er his fathers' gods
to safe abode in Latium; whence arose
the Latin race, old Alba's reverend lords,
and from her hills wide-walled, imperial Rome.

Vergil. Aeneid. Theodore C. Williams. trans. Boston. Houghton Mifflin Co. 1910.

road

Thamugadi's wide roads, their paving stones angled to reduce wear, designed for heavy traffic, make your journey swift.

A stray dog [[Latin: Canis->latin-dog]] trots after you, keeping a safe distance.

sum

A sample Latin grammar lesson: Conjugating Verbs

In latin, the ending of a verb changes to tell you who is doing the action. It's just like English, except that rather than changing the beginning, we're changing the end. There are several regular patterns that verbs follow. These are called 'conjugations'; we 'conjugate' the verb to list its endings.

Let's learn the verb "I am".

I am	sum
you are	es
they (s) are	est
we are	sumus
you (plural) are	estis
they (pl) are	sunt

so in order: sum, es, est, sumus, estis, sunt.

Practice:

```
[<iframe src="https://h5p.csu.edu.au/eml102/wp-admin/admin-ajax.php?action=h5p_embed&id=2" width="522" height="357"
frameborder="0" allowfullscreen="allowfullscreen"></iframe><script src="https://h5p.csu.edu.au/eml102/wp-content
/plugins/h5p/h5p-php-library/js/h5p-resizer.js" charset="UTF-8"></script>]
```

Roman Mystery

You have arrived in Thamugadi - or more properly,

(font:"Cinzel")[Colonia Marciana Traiana Thamugadi]

Thamugadi is frontier town of hard-working ex-military types, veterans given land here, by Trajan's way of it, as a reward for their service. That they also serve as burly gatekeepers against barbarian neighbors is purely coincidental, mind you. Thamugadi was founded a hundred years ago by the Third Augustans, who did everything with gusto, whether razing a rebellious village, raising livestock, or raising an entire marble-clad town out of a flat plain.

The skies darken as you admire the mighty Arch of Trajan across the western great. It's starting to rain. [[Find a tavern->tavern introduction]]

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</audio>

```
(set: $inv to (a:))
```

footer

```
Check [[inventory]]
```

```
Back to the [[tavern]]
```

```
Go to the [[libraryentrance]]
```

inventory

```
(if: $inv's length > 0)[Your inventory contains a (print: $inv.join("; a ")).](else:)[Your inventory is empty.]
```

```
(link-goto: "Return", (history:)'s last)
```

Chest

```
Double-click this passage to edit it.
```

Hallway

```
:: hallway
```

```
You see a chest here in the hallway.  \
(unless: $chestOpen)[\
    Do you want to open it?
```

code store

background css:

```
tw-story {
    background-color: #F5EE20;
    color: #5B99FF;
}
tw-link {
    color: #0000FF;
}
```

image float css

```
.img-container {
    margin: 1em;
    float: right;
}
```

```
tw-include[type="startup"] {  
  display: none  
}  
html {  
  background-color: LightGray;  
}  
  
}  
  
.tavern {  
  background-color: Brown;  
}  
  
.library {  
  background-color: Gray;  
}  
  
.forest {  
  background-color: LightGreen;  
}  
  
tw-story {  
  background-color: DarkSlateGray;
```

```
        color: GoldenRod;
    }
    tw-link {
        color: Gold;
    }

    .passage {
        background-color: DarkGoldenRod;
        border-color: Khaki;
        border-style: solid;
        border-width: 1px;
        color: SaddleBrown;
    }

    {
        (set: $inventory to $inventory + (a: "tablet"))
    }

    #box
```



```
{
background-color: Olive;
border: solid;
border-radius: 10px;
border-width: 2px;
float: left;
padding: 5px;
width: 300px;
}

/* remember to use container to float images in passage code */
.img-container {
    float: right;
    margin: 1em;
}

/* Remove underscore and make the hyperlink look like a button. */
a.button {
    background-color: green;
    color: black;
    padding: 0.5em;
}
```

```
a.button:link {text-decoration: none;}
a.button:visited {text-decoration: none;}
a.button:hover {text-decoration: none;}
a.button:active {text-decoration: none;}
```

```
<div class='img-container'></div>
```

```
/*
<span id="box" align="right">
Back to the [[image credits]]
Go to the [[image credits]]
</span
*/
```

```
<aside>
<span>

</span>
</aside>
```

you have a number of options:

NOTE: In HTML5 all tags can have a 'title' attribute even though the browser may not do anything with it.

:: Start

Testing tool tips

```
<a title="A under-scoreless hyperlink." class="tooltip plain">CSS3 Tooltip</a>
```

```
<a title="A button looking hyperlink." class="tooltip button">CSS3 Tooltip</a>
```

```
<span title="This is using a span." class="tooltip">CSS3 Tooltip</span>
```

tavern introduction

The tavern is a little scruffy - there is `[[graffiti->graffiti]]` on the wall - but warm and buzzing with chatter and music. You find yourself sitting across from a traveler. They are one of those silent types who somehow seem to elicit your life story while revealing very little of their own. As work your way through a jug of wine, you work your way through the sorry tale of just how you ended up at this particularly remote corner of the mighty Roman

Empire.

[[next->tavern]]

[]

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tavern choice

The hastily scratched letters were barely legible in the lamplight.

What should you do?

```
{  
  (link: 'Take the tablet')[(replace: ?links)[tablet]][  
    ((set: $inv to $inv + (a: "tablet")) )]  
} or [[leave it.->leavetablet]]
```

Perhaps, in the morning, you might [[go to the library->libraryentrance]]

In the meantime, you could [[learn a little bit of latin->sum]]

tablet

```
[<background-image="openwaxtablet.jpg"
  align=right>]
```

```
<span style="font-size: 150%">
```

```
(font: "Shadows Into Light")+(Color: "Wheat")[Salve, Lucilla.
```

```
S V B E E V
```

```
I beg you, dear sister, help me.
```

```
The guard of Proconsul Gaius Sertorius are at the door, here to arrest me.
```

```
It seems my knowledge of his activities is a threat to his progress along the Cursus Honorem.
```

```
You must gather up the information I have found and present it
```

```
to the Consul in Rome. O ly w th from the highest auth rity
```

```
shall I . . . C . Go . . . Library in . . .
```

```
y . I . . M ]
```

```
</span>
```

```
[[close the tablet->tavern]]
```

wine

<div class='img-container'></div>

The fire has died down, along with the music. You gaze into the bottom of your cup. Is it stuffy in here, or is it just your imagination? [[Go for a walk->road]]

library

You are in a tall, collonaded space, lined with [[boxes->scroll boxes]].

Several scrolls are unrolled and strewn across a large [[table->table]].

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table

you examine the scrolls on the table. Hastily unfurled, they spill over the edges; a pile has fallen on the floor.

[[go back to the library hall->library]]