

2014 TSJCL Certamen
Advanced Division, Round 1

- TU # 1: The name of Morgan Freeman's character in "The Lego Movie" is the same as the first century BC Roman author of *De Architectura*. What is this name? VITRUVIUS
B1: Under what Roman general did Vitruvius serve as a military engineer? JULIUS CAESAR
B2: In his book Vitruvius credits one Sergius Orata with the invention of what key feature of Roman bathing facilities? HYPOCAUST

TU # 2: The poisons of the infamous Locusta were said to have killed many, but it was rumored that her poisoned mushrooms killed this emperor in 54 AD.

Answer: **CLAUDIUS**

B1. Claudius left two children of his own behind when he died. Name them

Answer: **BRITANNICUS, OCTAVIA**

B2. Name their mother

Answer: **MESSALINA**

- TU # 3: According to Sophocles, what Athenian hero was present when Oedipus vanished? THESEUS
B1: Near what town did the disappearance of Oedipus occur? COLONUS
B2: Who were the two daughters of Oedipus? ANTIGONE AND ISMENE

- TU # 4: Who was the love interest of the son of Cephisus and Liriope? NARCISSUS / HIMSELF
B1: Who had warned Cephisus and Liriope that they should not allow their son to "know himself"? TIRESIAS
B2: Of whose murder at the crossroads was Tiresias falsely accused for a short time? LAIUS

- TU # 5: Translate into English this, the motto of North Carolina: *Esse Quam Videri*. TO BE RATHER THAN TO SEEM
B1: Translate into English this, the motto of Wyoming: *Cedant Arma Togae*. LET WEAPONS (ARMS) YIELD (GIVE WAY TO) THE TOGA (PEACE)
B2: What is the Latin motto of New Mexico? CRESCIT EUNDO

- TU # 6: In 76 BC the Roman Senate sent a delegation to various cities in Greece and North Africa to collect various oracular sayings as a way of replacing what items which were lost in a fire in Rome a few years earlier? SIBYLLINE BOOKS
B1: Where had the Sibylline Books been stored until shortly before this? TEMPLE OF JUPITER CAPITOLINUS
B2: In what year did the temple burn, destroying the books? 83 BC

- TU # 7: Give the Latin word represented by the abbreviation *cf.* CONFER
B1: Give the Latin word represented by the abbreviation *ibid.* IBIDEM
B2: Give the Latin phrase represented by the abbreviation *QED.* QUOD ERAT DEMONSTRANDUM

- TU # 8: Change the infinitive *spectavisse* to the present passive form. SPECTARI
B1: Change *spectari* to the perfect tense. SPECTATUS/-A/-UM ESSE
B2: Change *spectatus esse* to the future tense active. SPECTATURUS/-A/-UM ESSE

- TU # 9: What handsome rider of horses was ambushed and killed by Achilles in a temple of Apollo?
TROILUS
- B1: What twin brother of Cassandra revealed to the Greeks the conditions under which Troy could be conquered?
HELENUS
- B2: Whom did Helenus marry after the war?
ANDROMACHE
- TU # 10: Give the Latin noun and its meaning at the root of the English word 'mellifluous'.
MEL - HONEY
- B1: What Latin verb with what meaning is also at the root of 'mellifluous'?
FLUO, FLUERE - TO FLOW
- B2: What derivative of fluo relates to one's ability to speak a language?
FLUENT
- TU # 11: Listen carefully to the following description of the young Hadrian, and then answer in English the question that follows:
"Secundā expeditiōne Dacicā, Traiānus eum prīmae legiōnī Minerviae praeposuit, sēcumque dūxit; quando quidem multa ēgregia eius facta claruērunt. Quārē adamantē gemmā, quam Traiānus ā Nervā acceperat, donātus ad spem successiōnis, erectus est." (repeat)
Question: What was the 'Minervia' that was mentioned in this passage?
A LEGION OF THE ARMY (WHICH HADRIAN COMMANDED)
- B1: What was the outcome of Hadrian's time on the Dacian expedition?
HE HAD MANY OUTSTANDING DEEDS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS
- B2: What item did Trajan 'regift' to Hadrian, causing Hadrian to hope he might some day become emperor?
A GEM / JEWEL / DIAMOND
- TU # 12: Translate this Latin wish into English: *moriantur* LET THEM DIE / MAY THEY DIE
- B1: Change *moriantur* to the imperfect. MORERENTUR
- B2: Change *morerentur* the pluperfect. MORTUI/-AE/-A ESSENT
- TU # 13: Regarding what indecisive battle did Julius Caesar, according to Plutarch, declare, "Today the victory would have been the enemy's, had there been any one among them to take it."?
DYRRHACHIUM
- B1: In what year was that battle fought? 48 BC
- B2: What age was Caesar at that battle, given that it was fought on July 10 that year?
51 (if born in 100BC) or 53 (if born in 102BC)
- TU # 14: Who was the mother of Asclepius? CORONIS
- B1: What daughter of Asclepius was the goddess of health and sanitation? HYGEIA
- B2: What daughter of Asclepius was the goddess of universal remedy? PANACEA
- TU # 15: What poetic device is exemplified by the phrase 'currere et stare', used instead of the more logical 'stare et currere'? HYSTERON PROTERON
- B1: What poetic device is found in the phrase 'puella et pulchritudo', used instead of the more common 'pulchritudo puellae'? HENDIADYS
- B2: What poetic device from ancient times is found in the English phrase 'abso-freakin-lutely'? TMESIS
- TU # 16: Translate this Latin sentence into English: *Credo hostes urbem tribus diebus capturos esse.*
I BELIEVE THAT THE ENEMIES WILL CAPTURE THE CITY IN THREE DAYS
- B1: Translate this Latin sentence into English: *Putasne puellam quae sub arbore sedeat pulcherrimam esse?*
DO YOU THINK THAT THE GIRL WHO IS SITTING UNDER THE TREE IS VERY PRETTY?

- B2: Translate this Latin sentence into English: *Video vos omnes diligentissime studuisse.*
I SEE THAT ALL OF YOU STUDIED VERY DILIGENTLY
- TU # 17: State the difference in meaning between the Latin word *nix* and the Latin word *vix*.
NIX=SNOW, VIX=BARELY/SCARCELY/HARDLY/WITH DIFFICULTY
- B1: State the difference in meaning between the Latin verbs *occidō* and *occīdō*.
OCCIDO=FALL DOWN, SET AND OCCĪDŌ=KILL
- B2: State the difference in meaning between the Latin nouns *fama* and *fames*.
FAMA=RUMOR, REPORT, STORY AND FAMES=HUNGER
- TU # 18: At what type of event in Rome would one have seen a camillus and a pronuba? WEDDING
- B1: What was far, found at the root of the word confarreatio?
TYPE OF GRAIN / MEAL USED FOR THE WEDDING CAKE
- B2: What at the wedding was the dextrarum iunctio?
CEREMONIAL JOINING OF THE RIGHT HANDS OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM
- TU # 19: What historian married the daughter of Gnaeus Julius Agricola? TACITUS
- B1: What did Tacitus title his history of Rome from the years 14 to 68? ANNALES
- B2: From whom did Tacitus receive a letter describing the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius?
PLINY THE YOUNGER
- TU # 20: Identify the speaker of this quote, a historian, quoted here from Pliny the Elder: "In due course, my son Marcus, I shall explain what I found out in Athens about these Greeks, and demonstrate what advantage there may be in looking into their writings (while not taking them too seriously). They are a worthless and unruly tribe."
CATO THE ELDER
- B1: What is the title of the only work of Cato which survives intact? DE AGRI CULTURA
- B2: What was the title of the now lost work of Cato in which he explained the origins of many Italian towns, including Rome? ORIGINES