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ROUND B1**

1. What was the twelfth and last labor of Heracles?  

TO FETCH CERBERUS FROM HADES

 In what religious rite did he take part in order to prepare for this labor?  

INITIATED INTO ELEUSINIAN MYSTERIES

 What was Eurystheus' reaction when Heracles brought Cerberus to him?  

JUMPED INTO A JAR FROM FRIGHT
  
2. (Moderator holds up two fingers) Ask me in Latin, "How many fingers are you holding up?" QUOT DIGITŌS TOLLIS (LEVAS / SUSTINES/ (DE)MONSTRAS / OSTENDIS)?  
 Dic mihi Latīnē quot digitōs tollam. DUO(S) (DIGITŌS TOLLIS)  
 Quot digitī mihi sunt? DECEM (VĪGINTĪ)
  
3. Which, if any, of the following is NOT derived from pingō: picture, paint, pink, pixel?  

PINK

 Which of these IS from pingō: panther, pansy, pinto? PINTO  
 What English noun meaning "a source of color" is from pingō? PIGMENT
  
4. With what Roman leader is the phrase primus inter pares first associated? AUGUSTUS  
 What title of leadership did he prefer for himself to imperator? PRINCEPS  
 When did the Senate give him the name Augustus? 27 BC (Jan. 16)
  
5. Who was the philosopher-emperor who ruled from AD 161 to 180?  

MARCUS AURELIUS

 Who was his loony son and successor? (L. AELIUS AURELIUS) COMMODUS  
 Who was Marcus' co-emperor for the first 8 years of his principate? (L.) VERUS
  
6. Some Latin nouns have been given the privilege of having different meanings in the singular and plural. What does aqua mean in the singular and ~~plural~~ -- WATER, AQUEDUCT (Aqua)  

AQUAE -- MINERAL SPRINGS, SPA

 What does auxilium mean in the singular and plural? AUXILIUM -- HELP  

AUXILIA -- AUXILIARIES, REINFORCEMENTS

 What does rostrum mean in the singular and plural? ROSTRUM -- BEAK, PROW  

ROSTRA -- SPEAKER'S PLATFORM

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7. According to Ovid, what two people fell in love with Narcissus? ECHO AND NARCISSUS HIMSELF  
According to Ovid, what goddess fell in love with Adonis? VENUS or PROSERPINA  
According to Ovid, what sea divinity loved Scylla before she was changed into a monster? GLAUCUS or POSEIDON
8. Besides her anger over the judgement of Paris, Hera resented the Trojans because they were descended from which of Zeus' lovers? ELECTRA (ONE OF THE PLEIADES)  
Who was Electra's son by Zeus and one of Troy's progenitors? DARDANUS  
What did Zeus throw from Olympus while pursuing Electra? THE PALLADIUM
9. Who in mythology fashioned a lyre from a tortoise shell? HERMES (MERCURY)  
To whom did he give the lyre? APOLLO  
Why did he need to appease Apollo?  
HE HAD BEEN CAUGHT RED-HANDED STEALING HIS SACRED CATTLE
10. Translate **quam** in this sentence: **Quam pulcherrima est urbs Rōma!** HOW  
Translate **quam** in this sentence: **Rōma erat multō pulchrior quam Carthāgō.** THAN  
Translate the **quam** phrase in this sentence: **Carthāgō ā Rōmā quam celerrimē victa est.**  
AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE
11. What Roman holiday began on December 17? SATURNALIA  
Why did slaves look forward to it? SWITCH PLACE WITH THEIR MASTERS /  
THEY COULD DO AS THEY WANTED FOR A DAY  
What was the Latin name for Saturnalia presents? SIGILLARIA
12. Change **rēs pūblicās** to singular. REM PŪBLICAM  
Change **rem pūblicam** to genitive. REĪ PŪBLICAE  
Change **reī pūblīcae** to plural. RĒRUM PŪBLICĀRUM
13. Give an antonym of **orior**. RUŌ / CADŌ / DĒCIDŌ / DĒLĀBOR / OCCIDO  
Give an antonym of **fateor**. DIFFITEOR / NEGŌ / TACEO / SILEO  
Give an antonym of **nāscor**. MORIOR / PEREŌ / OBEŌ / DĒCĒDŌ

14. Use a gerundive to restate the following Latin sentence: **necesse est mihi Latīnam discere**  
**LATĪNA MIHI DISCENDA EST**  
 What use of the dative is found in **Latīna mihi discenda est**? **AGENCY**  
 What use of the dative is found in **Necesse est mihi Latīnam discere**? **REFERENCE**
  
15. What deity's sacred geese awoke the defenders during Brennus' attack on the Capitoline?  
**JUNO'S**  
 What already distinguished Roman hero attacked Brennus' forces after they left Rome  
 with their ransom? **(M. FURIUS) CAMILLUS**  
 How long had the Gauls occupied the Capitol?  
**SEVEN MONTHS**
  
16. Who tamed Pegasus? **BELLEROPHON**  
 What monster did Bellerophon slay? **THE CHIMAERA**  
 With what act did Bellerophon, later in his life, anger the gods?  
**HE TRIED TO FLY PEGASUS TO OLYMPUS**
  
17. Who delivered Caesar's funeral oration? **MARC ANTONY**  
 How many sesterces did Caesar's will leave to every Roman citizen? **300**  
 Who was Caesar's widow? **CALPURNIA**
  
18. Walk through a cemetery and it becomes obvious that even the dead know their Latin.  
 Probably the most popular graveyard abbreviation is **R.I.P.** Give the Latin and English for  
**R.I.P.** **REQUIESCAT IN PACE -- MAY HE REST IN PEACE**  
 What is the meaning of **H.I.S.**, which stands for **Hic Iacet Sepultus**?  
**HERE LIES BURIED**  
 What is the meaning of **S.T.T.L.**, which stands for **Sit Tibi Terra Levis**?  
**MAY THE LAND (DIRT / SOIL / EARTH) BE LIGHT FOR (ON) YOU**
  
19. Change **arbitrābar** to plural. **ARBITRĀBĀMUR**  
 Change **arbitrābāmur** to future. **ARBITRĀBIMUR**  
 Change **arbitrābimur** to subjunctive. **DOES NOT EXIST**
  
20. Say in Latin, "Bread and honey."  
**PĀNIS ET MEL**  
 ... "Salt and pepper."  
**SĀL ET PIPER**  
 ... "Wine and cheese."  
**VĪNUM ET CĀSEUS**

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1. Who founded the city of Thebes? CADMUS  
 What type of animal was to indicate the site for his city? A COW  
 What Phoenician invention did Cadmus give to the Greek world? THE ALPHABET
  
2. Differentiate in meaning between ūtor and uter. ŪTOR -- USE, EMPLOY, MANAGE  
 UTER -- WHICH (OF TWO)  
 ...between ultor and ultrā. ULTOR -- AVENGER  
 ULTRĀ -- BEYOND  
 ...between fullo and fulmen. FULLO -- FULLER, DRY CLEANER  
 FULMEN -- LIGHTNING, THUNDERBOLT
  
3. What tense would be used to translate "command" in this sentence: The general is sending his best lieutenant to command the troops. PRESENT  
 The general does not fear that he has commanded poorly. PERFECT  
 The general thought that he was commanding his troops well. PRESENT
  
4. Who tricked Hades into trying on a pair of golden handcuffs? SISYPHUS  
 What could not happen as long as Hades was a prisoner? DEATH  
 Who rescued Hades? ARES
  
5. Who was the first man to be given proconsular imperium without having served as consul? SCIPIO AFRICANUS (MAIOR)  
 His imperium was for the command in what area? SPAIN  
 At what battle had Scipio saved his father's life? TICINUS (RIVER)
  
6. Change vulnera gravia to genitive. VULNERUM GRAVIUM  
 Change vulnerum gravium to singular. VULNERIS GRAVIS  
 Change vulneris gravis to accusative. VULNUS GRAVE
  
7. What two uses of the ablative are found in the following sentence:  
 Primā luce Rōmānī ē portū nāvigāverunt.  
 TIME WITHIN WHICH / WHEN / AT WHICH, PLACE FROM WHICH  
 Gāius, acceptīs litterīs, gladiō sē necāvit. ABSOLUTE, MEANS / INSTRUMENT

**Avaritia rēgēs aurō fruuntur.**

CAUSE, SPECIAL VERBS (MEANS)

8. Who was the tutor of Jason? CHIRON  
 Who was said to be the father of the Centaurs? IXION / CENTAURUS  
 To whom did Chiron give his immortality? PROMETHEUS
  
9. Translate: **Quīntus ad tabernam ambulāvit ad emendās novās togās.**  
 QUINTUS WALKED TO THE SHOP TO BUY NEW TOGAS  
**Quīntus ancillam ad tabernam mīsit quae novās togās emeret.**  
 QUINTUS SENT THE SLAVE GIRL TO THE SHOP TO BUY NEW TOGAS  
**Quis est quī emere novam togam nōlit?**  
 WHO IS THERE WHO DOESN'T WANT TO BUY A NEW TOGA
  
10. Give a synonym of **cōnor**. PERICLITOR / TEMPTŌ / EXPERIOR  
 Give a synonym of **dēficiō**. DĒSUM  
 Give a synonym of **rogō**. POSCŌ / PETŌ / QUAERŌ / ORO
  
11. What Latin phrase would best describe Vergil's Aeneid as his "masterpiece?" MAGNUM OPUS  
 Which phrase would best describe Vergil's Aeneid as a necessity of the classroom? SINE QUA NON  
 Which phrase would best describe Vergil's Aeneid as a reference book regularly carried in the pockets of classicists? VADE MECUM
  
12. In a Roman camp, what was the **valetudinarium**? INFIRMARY, BASE HOSPITAL, DISPENSARY  
 What was the rampart that encircled the camp? VALLUM  
 What was the main cross-street, intersecting the **via principalis**? VIA QUINTANA
  
13. Who assured Penelope that her husband Odysseus was alive and returning home? ODYSSEUS DISGUISED AS A BEGGAR  
 How did Odysseus prove to Penelope that he was her long-absent husband? KNEW SECRET OF THEIR BED WHICH HE HAD CARVED FROM A LIVING (OLIVE) TREE  
 How had Odysseus won Penelope's hand in marriage? WON A FOOT RACE (IN SPARTA)

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14. Who was the first emperor from the Severan dynasty? SEPTIMIUS (SEVERUS)  
 Septimius was a native of Leptis Magna, in what province? AFRICA  
 Septimius was succeeded by his two warring sons. Who killed whom?  
 CARACALLA KILLED GETA
  
15. Who was the Roman governor who circumnavigated Britain?  
 (GNAEUS IULIUS) AGRICOLA  
 Where did Agricola defeat the "Scottish" Highlanders or Caledonians in AD 84?  
 MONS GRAUPIUS  
 Which emperor recalled Agricola in AD 84?  
 DOMITIAN
  
16. What does the idiom *in viam sē dāre* mean? SET OUT / START OUT ON A JOURNEY  
 What Latin idiom with *dāre* means "cheat"? VERBA DĀRE  
 What does the idiom *nōmen dāre* mean? ENLIST, ENROLL, VOLUNTEER
  
17. The Trojan Horse was supposedly a gift to what deity? ATHENA, MINERVA, PALLAS  
 Where did the Greek fleet hide after leaving the horse?  
 (BEHIND) TENEDOS (A NEARBY ISLAND)  
 What person did they leave behind to convince the Trojans to take the horse into the city?  
 SINON
  
18. With whom did Titus Tatius rule Rome? ROMULUS  
 In whose reign did the Horatii and Curiatii fight? TULLUS HOSTILIUS  
 Which king is credited with the building of the Regia? NUMA POMPILIUS
  
19. What English word for a form of bread comes via French from the Latin meaning "twice cooked"? BISCUIT  
 What other form of bread comes from *torreō*? TOAST  
 Of these things to eat on toast or biscuits, which is NOT a Latin derivative: jelly, jam, marmalade, preserves? JAM
  
20. *Fac sonum rānae.* PLAYER SHOULD SOUND LIKE A FROG  
*Stāte et simulāte sīmiās.*  
 ALL PLAYERS SHOULD STAND AND ACT LIKE MONKEYS  
*Fac sonum rēgis silvae.* ONE PLAYER SHOULD SOUND LIKE A LION

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1. How did Atalanta and Hippomenes anger the goddess Cybele? MADE LOVE IN HER TEMPLE  
 What other angry goddess caused this unfortunate conduct? APHRODITE / VENUS  
 Into what were Atalanta and Hippomenes transformed by Cybele? LIONS
  
2. Who ordered the infant sons of his niece to be drowned in the Tiber? AMULIUS  
 Who was his niece? RHEA SILVIA / RHEA SILVA / ILIA  
 How did Amulius die? KILLED BY ROMULUS AND REMUS
  
3. Differentiate in meaning between levis and laevus. LEVIS -- LIGHT  
LAEVUS -- LEFT  
 Differentiate in meaning between lēvis and lēnis. LĒVIS -- SMOOTH (TO TOUCH)  
LĒNIS -- SOFT, MILD, GENTLE (SMOOTH)  
 Differentiate in meaning between clāvus and clāvis. CLĀVUS -- NAIL, STRIPE  
CLĀVIS -- KEY
  
4. In what year did Etruscan rule come to an end at Rome? 510 BC  
 Name the ruler expelled by the Romans in 510 BC? TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS (PROUD)  
 What king of Clusium tried to help Superbus regain his throne in Rome? (LARS) PORSENNA
  
5. Give a synonym of perdō. ĀMITTŌ / DĒLEŌ / VASTŌ / DESTRUŌ / POPULOR / ANNIHILO  
 Give a synonym of aiō. NĀRRŌ / DĪCŌ / INQUAM / FOR / LOQUOR / FERO / FATEOR  
 Give a synonym of crēdō. OPĪNOR / (CON)FĪDŌ / CENSEO
  
6. What centaur did not have the same ancestry as the others? CHIRON  
 Who was Chiron's father? CRONUS  
 Who was Chiron's mother? PHILYRA

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7. What did the emperor Aurelian begin constructing in Rome in AD 271? (CITY) WALLS  
Why did a later emperor, rather than Aurelian, complete the building of the walls?  
HE WAS MURDERED (more than just died)  
Which of Constantine's rivals doubled the height of the walls? MAXENTIUS
8. What Latin word and what preposition combine to form the verb *sūmō*? SUB + EMŌ  
What does *sūmō* mean? TAKE / BORROW / PICK UP  
What compound of *emō* means "take away"? DĒMŌ / REDĪMO
9. What type of animal was made into a constellation by Hera in gratitude for its hindering one of Heracles' labors? CRAB  
Which labor did the crab figure in?  
THE HYDRA (ask for more info if ANY number is given)  
How did it hinder Heracles? BIT HIM ON THE FOOT
10. What is the present active participle of *appellō*, meaning name? APPELLĀNS  
Change *appellāns* to future. APPELLĀTŪRUS / -UM / -A  
Change *appellātūrus* to passive. APPELLANDUS
11. What type of subjunctive clause is found in the following sentence: *Tantus erat impetus hostium ut fortiter pugnāre nōn possent.* RESULT / CONSECUTIVE  
What type of subjunctive clause is found in the following sentence:  
*Fūgērunt nē caperentur.* (NEGATIVE) PURPOSE / FINAL  
What type of subjunctive clause is found in the following sentence:  
*Timeō nē Lūcius fēcerit.* (POSITIVE) FEARING (SUBSTANTIVE PURPOSE)
12. What English noun for "elf" is from the Latin verb for "breathe?" SPRITE  
What is the Latin noun meaning "breath" from which "sprite" is derived? SPĪRITUS  
What Latin noun is the root of "escutcheon," meaning a coat of arms? SCŪTUM
13. Translate this sentence into English: *Nūntius dominō dixit coquum optimum morī.*  
THE MESSENGER TOLD THE MASTER THAT (HIS) BEST COOK WAS DYING  
Translate this sentence into English: *Dominus exclāmāvit sē floccī nōn facere.*  
THE MASTER EXCLAIMED THAT HE DIDN'T CARE  
Translate this sentence into English:  
*Coquus sperat dominum brevī tempore moritūrum esse.*  
THE COOK HOPES THE MASTER WILL DIE IN A SHORT TIME



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14. Until the time of Augustus, what hill was the "potter's field" of Rome -- that is, the burial site for those too poor to be given funerals? ESQUILINE  
What emperor built his "Golden House" on the Esquiline? NERO  
What emperor built his Thermae on the Esquiline? TRAJAN / TITUS
15. What king was the oldest of the Greek leaders at Troy? NESTOR  
What was his kingdom? PYLOS  
Who came to him after the war seeking news of his father? TELEMACHUS
16. In what Roman province was the city of Syracuse? SICILIA / SICILY  
...the city of Pergamum? ASIA (not MINOR)  
...the city of Carthage? AFRICA
17. Which of his grandsons did Augustus disinherit and exile?  
MARCUS VIPSANIUS AGRIPPA POSTUMUS  
(also renamed AGRIPPA IULIUS CAESAR)  
For 5 pts. each, name Postumus' two brothers who were designated as Augustus' heirs,  
before their untimely deaths? (GAIUS) CAESAR & (LUCIUS) CAESAR
18. Which, if any, of the following is NOT from the same Latin root as the others: lucid, deluxe,  
translucent, elucidate? DELUXE  
What is the basic Latin verb with its meaning at the root of "lugubrious?"  
LŪGEŌ -- GRIEVE / MOURN  
Give the Latin verb and its meaning from which "luscious" is derived.  
DĒLICERE -- DELIGHT (LACERE -- ENTICE)
19. Using *lābor*, translate this sentence into Latin: Manius, don't neglect your work!  
MĀNĪ, NŌLĪ NEGLEGERE (TUUM) LĀBŌREM  
MĀNĪ, CAVĒ NEGLEGAS (NEGLĒXERĪS) (TUUM) LĀBŌREM  
MĀNĪ, NĒ NEGGLĒXERĪS (NEGLEGAS) (TUUM) LĀBŌREM  
Translate the same sentence using a different construction.  
Again, translate the same sentence using another construction.
20. Given the following Latin sentence -- Publius Rōmam advēnit ut pācem peteret -- if

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**advēnit** were changed to **advenit**, how would the rest of the sentence change?

PETERET BECOMES PETAT

(ask for the form i.e. don't accept **peteret** becomes present)

Using a gerundive, translate "Publius came to Rome to seek peace."

PUBLIUS RŌMAM ADVĒNIT (ADVENIEBAT) AD PĀCEM PETENDAM  
PĀCIS PETENDAE CAUSĀ (GRATIĀ)

Translate the same sentence using a supine.

PUBLIUS RŌMAM ADVĒNIT PĀCEM PETĪTUM

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1. Differentiate between the verb **potior** and the adjective **potior**.  

POTIOR (VERB) -- OBTAIN

POTIOR (ADJ) -- BETTER, MORE IMPORTANT, MORE POWERFUL

NĀRE -- SWIM

NĒRE -- SPIN, WEAVE

MŌLĪRĪ -- TOIL, SET IN MOTION

MOLERE -- GRIND IN A MILL

...between **nāre** and **nēre**.

...between **mōlīrī** and **molere**.
2. Doctors often use Latin abbreviations in writing prescriptions. If your doctor indicates that you are to take a drug **p.c.**, what is he instructing?  

TO TAKE IT AFTER MEALS

If he indicates **a.c.**? 

BEFORE MEALS

**A.C.** is also the Latin equivalent of what common abbreviation for the reckoning of dates?  

B.C.
3. What is peculiar about the following adjectives: **gracilis, facilis, humilis, similis**?  

SUPERLATIVES END IN -LIMUS

**sōlus, tōtus, ūllus, ūnus**? 

GENITIVE SINGULAR ENDS IN -ĪUS, DATIVE IN -Ī

**frūgī, damnās, nēquam, necesse**? 

INDECLINABLE
4. Which, if any, of the following English words is NOT from the same Latin root as the others:  
**require, requital, query, quest, inquisition**

REQUITAL

  
From what Latin noun does **requital** come? 

QUIĒS

  
What derivative of **quiēs** means "a hymn for the dead"? 

REQUIEM
5. What holiday every year was the occasion for Roman boys of the right age to don their **togae viriles**? 

THE LIBERALIA

  
To what deities did they dedicate their childhood clothing? 

THE LARES

  
On what day was the Liberalia celebrated? 

MARCH 17
6. Which of the following, if any, is NOT derived from the same Latin root as the others: **dialect, intellectual, legerdemain, negligence, legend**. 

LEGERDEMAIN

  
...sentry, scent, sense, sentient, sensuous. 

NONE

  
...invective, vestige, inveigh, vehicle, vector. 

VESTIGE

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7. Whose sons arranged the murder of Tarquinius Priscus? ANCUS MARCIUS'  
In spite of their crime, who arranged the succession of Servius Tullius?  
TANAQUIL (TARQUINIUS PRISCUS' WIDOW)  
What relation was Tanaquil to Servius Tullius? MOTHER-IN-LAW
8. What two Argonauts chased the fleeing Harpies? ZETES AND CALAIS  
Where did they turn back from their pursuits? THE STROPHADES ("turning") ISLANDS  
How were they related to Phineus, their beneficiary?  
BROTHERS-IN-LAW (BY THEIR SISTER CLEOPATRA)
9. By what triumphal agnomen do we know the brother of Scipio Africanus Maior?  
ASIATICUS (or ASIAGENES or ASIAGENUS)  
What Asian king did he defeat for his triumph? ANTIOCHUS  
Where was the battle? MAGNESIA (IN ASIA MINOR)
10. What is the 2nd person singular pluperfect subjunctive of volo, velle? VOLUISSĒS  
Change voluissēs to imperfect. VELLĒS  
Change vellēs to present. VELĪS
11. What is the meaning of the idiom plūrimum valēre? TO BE VERY POWERFUL  
...of the idiom iūs iūrāndum? OATH  
...of the idiom referre ad senātum? TO MAKE A MOTION IN THE SENATE
12. Who commanded the left wing of Caesar's army at Pharsalus in 48 BC? MARCUS ANTONIUS  
Against whom were Caesar and Marc Antony fighting? POMPEY  
In what year was M. Antonius Caesar's consular colleague? 44 BC
13. Who sacked Troy and killed King Laomedon? HERACLES  
Why did Heracles kill Laomedon? RENEGED ON PAYMENT FOR RESCUING  
DAUGHTER (HESIONE) FROM SEA MONSTER  
Heracles killed all of Laomedon's sons but the one who advised his father to pay. Name  
this son. PODARCES / PRIAM
14. Using iubeō translate: Titus ordered his children to leave.

TITUS IUSSIT SUOS LIBEROS DISCERE

Translate the same sentence using **imperō**.

TITUS SUIS LIBERIS IMPERAVIT UT DISCERENT

What type of clause is **ut discerent**?

INDIRECT COMMAND (SUBSTANTIVE CLAUSE OF PURPOSE)

15. What son of Priam claimed Helen after Paris' death? DEIPHOBUS  
 What happened to Deiphobus the night Troy fell?  
 MENELAUS CUT OFF HIS NOSE, EARS, & HANDS  
 How did Aeneas learn of Deiphobus' fate? HE MET HIM IN THE UNDERWORLD
  
16. Listen carefully to the following paragraph, which I will read twice, and answer in English the question about it. **Caesare duce, milites Rōmānī summā vī transire in hostium nāvēs contendēbant. Expūgnātis fortiter complūribus nāvibus, hostēs fugā salūtem petere contendērunt.**  
 Where does the battle take place? ON SHIPS, ON THE SEA  
 What method do the Romans plan to use in attacking the enemy? BOARDING THEIR SHIPS  
 After fighting off several ships, what does the enemy do? RETREAT
  
17. When Odysseus reached the Underworld, what did he have to prevent all the other shades from doing before that of Tiresias?  
 DRINKING THE BLOOD OF THE SACRIFICED SHEEP  
 What ghost appeared first? ELPENOR  
 What ghost's appearance moved Odysseus to tears? HIS MOTHER ANTICLEIA'S
  
18. What city, with walls built by Amphion, was the home of Oedipus? THEBES  
 How did Amphion build the walls of Thebes?  
 HIS MUSIC CHARMED THE STONES INTO PLACE  
 Who was Amphion's wife? NIOBE
  
19. What use of the genitive is found in the following sentence: **Habetne māter ōdium tuī?**  
 OBJECTIVE  
**Lucius fodiēbat fossam trium pedum.** MEASURE (QUALITY)  
**Nēmō arguit mē furtī.** CHARGE OR PENALTY
  
20. What significant event occurred on the 24th of August in AD 410?  
 ALARIC (& VISIGOTHS) SACKED ROME

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Who had defeated Alaric & the Visigoths in AD 402 & 403?  
Under what emperor did Stilicho serve?

FLAVIUS STILICHO  
HONORIUS

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1. What is the dative of the Latin for "broken knee?" FRACTŌ GENŪ  
 What is the dative of the Latin for "broken hand?" FRACTAE MANŪ  
 Genū and manus are fourth declension nouns. What verbal is also of the fourth declension? SUPINE
  
2. Who tells Telemachus that Odysseus is being held on the island of Ogygia by Calypso? MENELAUS  
 From whom had Menelaus learned Odysseus' whereabouts? PROTEUS  
 Why had Menelaus been forced to capture the prophetic sea-god Proteus?  
BECALMED IN MOUTH OF NILE -- HE NEEDED TO KNOW  
SOURCE OF PROBLEM AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT
  
3. From 217 - 211 BC two brothers led the Roman forces against the Carthaginians in Spain.  
 Name these brothers. SCIPIO (PUBLIUS & GNAEUS CORNELIUS)  
 Name the two Carthaginian brothers whom the Scipioes fought?  
MAGO & HASDRUBAL  
 Who later defeated both Mago and Hasdrubal?  
PUBLIUS CORNELIUS SCIPIO (AFRICANUS MAIOR)
  
4. Why is subjunctive used in the following sentence: *dixit amīcōs quōs vīdissēmus vēnisse.*  
SUBORDINATE CLAUSE IN INDIRECT DISCOURSE  
 Using your best Latin, negate the introductory verb of that sentence. NEGĀVIT  
 If *negāvit* were changed to *negat*, what tense would be used to translate the verb in the subordinate clause? PERFECT
  
5. *Mordeō : mordēbō :: liberāre : \_\_\_\_\_.*  
LĪBERĀTŪRUS/A/UM ESSE or LĪBERĀTOR or LĪBERĀBERIS(-RE)  
*Liberātūrus esse : liberāvisse :: parient : \_\_\_\_\_.* PEPERĒRUNT  
*Peperērunt : pariunt :: coepī : \_\_\_\_\_.*  
INCIPIŌ, (COEPIŌ -- if designated as archaic)

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6. Whom did Demeter turn into a lizard for mocking how she drank as she quenched her thirst? ASCALABUS  
What did Ascalaphus tell Hades that also angered Demeter? PERSEPHONE HAD EATEN POMEGRANATE SEEDS  
What did either Persephone or Demeter turn him into for this? AN OWL
7. Listen carefully to the following paragraph, which I will read twice, and answer in English the question about it. *Ad rīvum fluentem lupus audax et āgnus innocens vēnerant, compulsī siti. Ubi lupus conspexit āgnum bibentem, tantā fame incendēbātur ut subitō in āgnum infēlicem insiliret vescēns.*  
Why are the lamb and wolf at the river? THEY ARE THIRSTY  
How are both animals characterized? THE WOLF IS BOLD  
THE LAMB IS INNOCENT (or UNLUCKY)  
Why does the wolf eat the lamb?  
HE SEES THE LAMB DRINKING AND BECOMES HUNGRY
8. Give a synonym of *dēlūbrum*. FĀNUM / AEDĒS / TEMPLUM  
Give a synonym of *tūtus*. SOSPES / INCOLUMIS / SALVUS / SĒCŪRUS  
Give a synonym of *ferē*. PAENE
9. A friend of yours says to you, "I'll pay you back the money *ad calendas graecas*." Why should you be worried? HE DOESN'T INTEND TO PAY IT BACK  
Translate *ad calendas graecas*. AT (ON) THE GREEK CALEND  
Why is this phrase equivalent to "never?" THE GREEKS HAD NO CALEND
10. What Athenian archon initiated the development of the port of Piraeus? THEMISTOCLES  
In response to what crisis did he increase the Athenian navy from 70 ships to 200? THE INVASION OF XERXES  
Where was the great naval victory of 480 BC? SALAMIS
11. Who was the mother with whom the twins Amphion and Zethus were reunited as adults? ANTIOPE  
Who was Antiope's tormentor, whom Amphion and Zethus killed? DIRCE  
According to one version, what god then drove Antiope mad because Dirce had been a follower of his? DIONYSUS
12. How many emperors had the name Gordianus? THREE



- Which of the Gordiani ruled for only 22 days? I & II  
 How old was Gordianus III when he was proclaimed emperor by the Praetorians? 13
13. What is the Latin term for orators like Cicero & Pliny the Younger who represented parties at a civil trial? ADVOCATI  
 In the Republic and early Empire what was the fee of an advocate? NONE (BY LAW)  
 By the second century AD it was accepted that advocates could accept payment for their services. What was that payment called? HONORARIUM or PALMARIIUM
14. What is the meaning of the Greek verb at the root of the English word "prophecy"?  
 ... "phenomenon"? SPEAK  
 ... "phosphorus"? SHOW  
 BEAR, CARRY
15. Who had the sad duty of bringing Achilles the news of Patroclus' death? ANTILOCHUS  
 Who was Antilochus' father? NESTOR  
 How did Antilochus die?  
 KILLED BY MEMNON WHILE DEFENDING NESTOR IN BATTLE
16. Who conferred the title of "Augusta" upon his paternal grandmother Antonia?  
 GAIUS / CALIGULA  
 Who were Antonia's parents? MARCUS ANTONIUS & OCTAVIA  
 Antonia was married to Drusus. Name their children.  
 GERMANICUS, LIVILLA (CLAUDIA LIVIA IULIA), & CLAUDIUS
17. Which of the following does NOT have a Latin root: rouge, cologne, perfume, cosmetic.  
 COSMETIC  
 What is the root meaning of the noun at the base of "perfume"? SMOKE  
 What Latin noun is the root of "cologne"? COLONIA
18. Translate: **Incerti erant utrum dux mortuus an vivus esset.**  
 THEY WERE UNSURE WHETHER THE LEADER WAS DEAD OR ALIVE

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**Sī ad urbem Rōmam iter faciāmus amphitheatrum vīsītēmus.**

IF WE SHOULD TRAVEL TO THE CITY OF ROME,  
WE WOULD VISIT THE AMPHITHEATER

**Salvius ab amicīs monitus est nē barbarīs cōfideret.**

SALVIUS WAS WARNED BY (HIS)  
FRIENDS NOT TO TRUST FOREIGNERS

19. Why did Zeus punish Hera by hanging anvils from her feet and hanging her from heaven?  
FOR HER CRUELTY TO HERACLES  
In what form did Zeus first woo Hera? CUCKOO  
Who was the young Hera's nurse? LOCRI

20. What compound of dūcō can mean "build" when used with mūrūm in an idiom?  
PERDŪCŌ  
What compound of dūcō can mean "launch" when used with nāvem in an idiom?  
DĒDŪCŌ  
What idiom with dūcō means "to marry?" IN MĀTRIMŌNIUM DŪCERE

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**HISTORY / LIFE / GEOGRAPHY**

1. Whose pet white fawn was regarded by the Lusitanians as a sign of divine protection?  
SERTORIUS  
Whose failed coup in Italy in 78-77 BC supplied disaffected officers to Sertorius' cause?  
LEPIDUS  
By whom was Sertorius murdered in 72 BC?  
M. PERPERNA
2. What sacred object supposedly fell from the sky as a gift from Jupiter to Numa?  
THE ANCILE, MARS' FIGURE-8 SHIELD  
What priestly order wore replicas of it?  
SALII  
What god besides Mars was their order connected with?  
HERCULES or QUIRINUS
3. What two proven commanders vied for the command of the East against Mithridates?  
GAIUS MARIUS & LUCIUS CORNELIUS SULLA  
What tribune, in return for political support, secured the passage of a law transferring  
the command from Sulla to Marius?  
SULPICIUS RUFUS  
How did Sulla respond to the loss of this command?  
MARCHED ON ROME & TOOK THE CITY BY FORCE
4. Who divorced his wife for adultery with Julius Caesar and shortly thereafter married  
Caesar's daughter?  
POMPEY (GNAEUS POMPEIUS MAGNUS)  
Name Caesar's daughter.  
JULIA  
What political alliance did the marriage of Pompey and Julia strengthen?  
FIRST TRIUMVIRATE
5. Which emperor closed all pagan temples in AD 391?  
THEODOSIUS I (THE GREAT)  
Name the bishop of Milan who exerted great influence over Theodosius?  
AMBROSE  
What work by what author did Ambrose revise as *de officiis ministrorum*?  
CICERO'S DE OFFICIIS

## MYTHOLOGY

1. Who was the faithful companion of Aeneas? ACHATES  
Who was Aeneas' Trojan wife? CREUSA  
Who was Creusa's father? PRIAM
  
2. What was the breastplate of Zeus and Athena called? AEGIS  
Whose head was depicted in the center of the aegis? MEDUSA'S  
Who made the aegis? HEPHAESTUS
  
3. Who was the maiden rescued by Perseus from a sea monster? ANDROMEDA  
Who was her mother? CASSIOPEIA  
Why was she being sacrificed to the sea monster? CASSIOPEIA HAD SAID THAT SHE  
(EITHER HERSELF OR HER DAUGHTER)  
WAS AS BEAUTIFUL AS THE NEREIDS
  
4. What deity protected the original oracle at Delphi before Apollo took it over? GAIA  
What guise did Apollo take to compel a ship full of Cretans to divert to Delphi and  
become his first priests there? A DOLPHIN  
What was the name of the first Pythia? PHENOMOE
  
5. What goddess plagued the women of Lemnos with a foul odor? APHRODITE  
What queen of the island received the Argonauts? HYPsipyle  
Who were the two sons Hypsipyle bore to Jaon?  
EUNEOS AND THAOS / NEBROPHONUS / DEIPHYLUS

## GRAMMAR / VOCABULARY

1. Listen carefully to the following paragraph, which I will read twice, and answer in  
English the question about it. **Hieme orienti, Caesar in Britanniam proficisci contendit  
quod Britannici auxilia Gallis dedērunt. Quā dē causā volēbat in insulā perspicere  
genus hominum, cognoscere loca, mōrēs, lēgēs.**  
When did Caesar go to Britain? IN THE BEGINNING OF WINTER  
What had the Britains recently done for the Gauls? GIVEN THEM AID  
What did Caesar want to learn about in Britain?  
THEIR PLACES, CUSTOMS, AND LAWS

2. Listen carefully to the following sentence, which I will read twice, and answer in Latin the question about it. **Helvētiī, omnium rērum inopiā adductī, lēgātōs dē dēditiōne ad Caesarem mīsērunt.**  
**Quī ad Caesarem mīssī sunt?** LĒGĀTĪ  
**Quā dē causā lēgātī ad Caesarem mīssī sunt?** (DĒ) DĒDITIŌNE  
**Cur Helvētiī dēdidērunt?** OMNIUM RĒRUM INOPĪĀ ADDUCTĪ SUNT
  
3. Change **aggrediēbantur** to subjunctive. AGGREDERENTUR  
Change **aggrederentur** to present. AGGREDIANTUR  
Change **aggrediantur** to perfect. AGGRESSĪ SINT
  
4. Change **magnum iter** to dative. MAGNŌ ITINERĪ  
Change **magnō itinerī** to plural. MAGNĪS ITINERIBUS  
Change **magnīs itineribus** to genitive. MAGNŌRUM ITINERUM
  
5. What use of the infinitive is found in this sentence: **Dolēre malum est.** SUBJECTIVE  
**Oblivīscī nōn possum quae volō.** COMPLEMENTARY  
**Volō tē dicere.** OBJECTIVE
  
6. What use of the subjunctive is found in this sentence: **Hōs latrōnēs interficiāmus.** HORTATORY  
**Quid agam, iūdicēs? quō mē vertam?** DELIBERATIVE  
**Utinam mē mortuum vīdissēs.** OPTATIVE
  
7. Give a synonym of **cōnor**. PERĪCLITOR / TEMPTŌ / EXPERIOR  
Give a synonym of **dēficiō**. DĒSUM  
Give a synonym of **rogō**. POSCŌ / PETŌ / QUAERŌ
  
8. Give an antonym of **nēmō**. ALIQUIS / QUIS / QUIPIAM  
Give an antonym of **silentium**. CLĀMOR / SONITUS / STREPTUS  
Give an antonym of **victor**. CAPTĪVUS
  
9. Differentiate in meaning between **ita** and **item**. ITA – SO

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...between orior and ōrdior.

ITEM -- LIKEWISE

ORIOR -- RISE

ŌRDIOR -- BEGIN

...between oblīvīscor and ulcīscor.

OBLĪVĪSCOR -- FORGET

ULCĪSCOR -- AVENGE

10. What two compounds of cēdō mean "leave?" EXCĒDŌ, DISCĒDŌ  
What compound of cēdō means "approach?" ACCĒDŌ  
What compound of cēdō means "yield?" CONCĒDŌ
11. What Latin noun related to fruor means "enjoyment?" FRŪCTUS  
What Latin noun related to iungō means "spouse?" CONTŪNX  
What Latin adjective related to pariō means "whirlwind?" TURBŌ
12. What Latin verb with what meaning is the root of the English verb "imbibe?" BIBO -- DRINK  
What derivative English adjective means "prone to drink?" BIBULOUS  
What French-influenced derivative means "a substance for drinking?" BEVERAGE
13. A minister is sometimes called a "pastor." What does that Latin noun mean? SHEPHERD  
What verb is it based on? PASCOR  
What staple of Italian food is derived from pascor? PASTA
14. What verb with what meaning is the root of "liable" (spell)? LIGO -- TIE, BIND  
What noun with what meaning is the root of "libel?" LIBER -- BOOK  
What noun with what meaning is the root of "lieutenant?" LOCUS -- PLACE
15. What Latin verb is the root of "vanquish?" VINCO  
...of "vault?" VOLVO  
...of "vaunt?" VANITAS
16. What is the meaning of the Greek word element common to "atom" and "appendectomy?" CUT  
...common to "lithograph" and "monolith?" STONE  
...common to "orthopedic" and "orthodox?" STRAIGHT, RIGHT