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Round C1

- I.      What Latin verb is the root of "interrogation" and "derogatory"?  
1100                      ROGO ROGARE = ASK
- Of prosper, despair and desperate?      SPERO, SPERARE = HOPE  
Of recur, occur and excursion?      CURRO, CURRERE = RUN
- II.      What Titan holds the world on his shoulders?      ATLAS  
3332
- What hero gave him brief relief?      HERACLES  
Where did Atlas go while Heracles held up the world?      TO THE GARDEN  
OF (HIS DAUGHTERS) THE HESPERIDES, TO FETCH THE GOLDEN APPLES
- III.      What is the enclitic suffix which indicates an interrogative  
728                      sentence?      -NE
- What introduces a question expecting the answer yes?      NONNE  
What introduces a question expecting the answer no?      NUM
- IV.      For what Latin words does the abbreviation NB stand?      NOTA BENE  
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- What does Rx stand for?      RECIPE  
What does AD stand for?      ANNO DOMINI
- V.      Who was the seventh king of Rome?      TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS  
5831
- What was the year of his downfall?      510 BC  
What tribe did he come from?      ETRUSCANS
- VI.      What was the name of the speaker's platform in the Forum?  
5589                      ROSTRUM (ROSTRA)
- What was the Senate house?      CURIA  
Between what two hills does the Forum lie?  
PALATINE AND CAPITOLINE
- VII.      What did the Greeks leave at Troy when they left, supposedly as a  
3329                      gift to Athena?      THE WOODEN HORSE
- What was in the horse?      GREEK SOLDIERS  
Who was Troy's king?      PRIAM
- VIII.      Who was the faithful wife of Odysseus?      PENELOPE  
3325

- Who was his son by her? TELEMACHUS  
Where was his kingdom? ITHACA
- IX. Make flumen longum accusative plural. FLUMINA LONGA  
1112  
Make it genitive plural. FLUMINUM LONGORUM  
Now make the river short in the ablative singular. FLUMINE BREVI
- X. Say in Latin, "You had seen." VIDERAS  
973  
"We will hear." AUDIEMUS  
"I was sitting." SEDEBAM
- XI. Who was the god of thieves? HERMES/MERCURY  
3323 *storms and lightning*  
Of ~~stormy weather?~~ ZEUS/JUPITER  
Of hunting? ARTEMIS/DIANA
- XII. What river flows through Rome? TIBER  
5913  
What town is at its mouth? OSTIA  
How many hills are in Rome? SEVEN
- XIII. What was the praenomen of the man we know as Julius Caesar?  
5997 GAIUS  
What was the year of his birth? 100 (102) BC  
What was his mother's gens? AURELIA
- XIV. Give the second person plural imperfect active of capio.  
877 CAPIEBATIS  
Make that form passive. CAPIEBAMINI  
Make capiebamini subjunctive. CAPEREMINI
- XV. Give the principal parts of the verb "send."  
871 MITTO, MITTERE, MISI, MISSUS  
Say: "I will be sent." MITTAR  
Say: "He will have sent." MISERIT
- XVI. What is the gender of pax? FEMININE  
800  
What is the gender of pons? MASCULINE  
What is the gender of dens? MASCULINE
- XVII. What family built the amphitheatre we call the Colosseum?

6066

THE FLAVIANS

How many of them were emperors? THREE  
Who was the last of them? DOMITIAN

XVIII. What hero did Hera try to kill in infancy by sending two serpents to  
3315 attack him in his cradle? HERACLES

Who was Heracles' real father? ZEUS  
Who was his mother? ALCMENE

XIX. Translate into English: Cibus parabas.  
809 "YOU WERE PREPARING THE FOOD."

Translate into Latin: "I was watching the children."  
LIBEROS SPECTABAM.  
"They have warned the girls." PUELLAS MONUERUNT.

XX. What case is governed by trans? ACCUSATIVE  
808

By cum? ABLATIVE  
By pro? ABLATIVE

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Round C2

- I. 5593 Who was the fifth king of Rome? TARQUINIUS PRISCUS  
Who was his infamous son? TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS  
Who ruled in the period between them? SERVIUS TULLIUS
- II. 866 Make this verb form passive: **ducam.** DUCAR  
Make this passive: **capis.** CAPERIS  
Make this passive: **audis.** AUDIRIS
- III. 5619 What year was called the consulship of Julius and Caesar?  
59 BC  
Who was Caesar's co-consul that year? MARCUS BIBULUS  
In what year did Caesar serve his second consulship? 48 BC
- IV. 5909 In the time of Augustus, what competition did the Romans go to the circus to see? CHARIOT RACES  
What was Rome's oldest and largest circus? CIRCUS MAXIMUS  
How many laps were driven in a chariot race? SEVEN
- V. 869 Make this phrase plural: **supplicium durum.** SUPPLICIA DURA  
Make this plural: **montis omnis.** MONTIUM OMNIUM  
Make this plural: **navem bonam.** NAVES BONAS
- VI. 1093 Which word doesn't belong in a list of nouns: **aqua, dominus, ager, vester, tempus?** VESTER  
Which word doesn't belong in a list of verbs: **porto, ordo, sum, amo, fero?** ORDO  
Which word doesn't belong in a list of adjectives: **bonus, laurus, acer, altus, unus?** LAURUS
- VII. 704 Which declensions are almost exclusively feminine?  
FIRST AND FIFTH  
Name a first-declension masculine noun. NAUTA, AGRICOLA, PIRATA, POETA, INCOLA  
Name a fifth-declension masculine noun. DIES, MERIDIES
- VIII. Who was the foremost poet and musician of Greek mythology?

3437

## ORPHEUS

Who taught Orpheus the lyre? APOLLO  
 From what peril did Orpheus by singing save all his shipmates on the  
 Argo? THE SIRENS

IX.  
801

In "He is taller than I," what is the Latin word for "is"? EST

For "than"? QUAM  
 For "I"? EGO

X.  
6067

What foreign power fought Rome in the Punic Wars? CARTHAGE

How many wars were there? THREE  
 Where had Carthage's original settlers come from? PHOENICIA

XI.  
914

The motto of Trinity School in New York is *Labore et Virtute*. What  
 case are these nouns in? ABLATIVE

What use of the ablative is that? MEANS  
 The motto of the Chapin School is *Fortiter et Recte*. What part  
 of speech are *fortiter* and *recte*? ADVERBS

XII.  
1210

Supply and define the Latin verb at the root of "fragile."  
 FRANGO = BREAK

What derivative of the same verb means a piece of something?  
 FRAGMENT

What derivative of the same verb means specifically a breaking  
 of the rules? INFRACTION

XIII.  
3409

What was the home city of Agamemnon? MYCENAE

What was the home city of Nestor? PYLOS  
 What was the home city of Menelaus? SPARTA

XIV.  
3295

Who led the men of the the Argo? JASON

Who was its builder? ARGUS  
 What was Jason's goal? THE GOLDEN FLEECE

XV.  
3395

Whom did Narcissus love most? NARCISSUS

What nymph loved him unrequitedly? ECHO  
 Who had cursed Echo with her speech problem? HERA/JUNO

XVI.

What Greek deity was god of poetry and music? APOLLO

3324

Of marriage? HERA  
Of the harvest? DEMETER

XVII. What Roman praenomen was abbreviated D.? DECIMUS  
1115

What praenomen is taken from the name of a river? TIBERIUS  
How is Gaius abbreviated? C.

XVIII. Distinguish in meaning between the verbs pareo and paro.  
829 PAREO = OBEY PARO = PREPARE, GET

Distinguish in meaning between the nouns libri and liberi.  
LIBRI = BOOKS LIBERI = CHILDREN  
Distinguish in meaning between mille and miles.  
MILLE = 1000 MILES = SOLDIER

XIX. Who was the last of the Julio-Claudian emperors? NERO  
6032

Name the next dynasty. FLAVIAN  
How many emperors ruled between the Julio-Claudian and the  
Flavian dynasties? THREE

XX. Say in Latin, "My father was a good farmer."  
901 MEUS PATER ERAT BONUS AGRICOLA.

Say, "Brutus and Cassius were famous Romans."  
BRUTUS ET CASSIUS ERANT ROMANI CLARI.  
Say, "We are not Roman citizens."  
CIVES ROMANI NON SUMUS.

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Round C3

- I. 3308 Who were the disguised guests of Baucis and Philemon?  
ZEUS AND HERMES
- What was the mortal couple's only wish?  
TO DIE TOGETHER WHEN THE TIME CAME (or TO SERVE THE GODS ALWAYS)  
What happened when they died? THEY BECAME TREES  
(HE AN OAK, SHE A LINDEN/LIME)
- II. 1101 What English noun for "large crowd" is from the Latin adjective for many?  
MULTITUDE
- With the same suffix, give an English noun for isolation or loneliness.  
SOLITUDE  
Give an English noun for bravery with the same suffix.  
FORTITUDE
- III. 766 Give an English verb which comes from the comparative of bonus.  
AMELIORATE
- Name an English adjective from the comparative of malus.  
PEJORATIVE  
What kind of person comes from the superlative of bonus?  
OPTIMIST (-IC)
- IV. 6030 What are the three fixed points in a month according to which the Romans measured their dates?  
KALENDS, IDES AND NONES
- What four months have the Ides on the 15th?  
MARCH, MAY, JULY, OCTOBER  
What day are the Nones on eight months out of twelve? THE FIFTH
- V. 3294 Who was the daughter of Minos who sailed from Crete with Theseus?  
ARIADNE
- Where did he abandon her? NAXOS  
What god found her there and made her his consort? BACCHUS
- VI. 806 Translate the Latin adjective aeger. ILL, SICK
- Translate the noun morbus. DISEASE  
Translate the noun salus. HEALTH

- VII. Distinguish between the verb forms **potui** and **posui**.  
 870 POTUI = I COULD, I WAS ABLE POSUI = I PUT, I PLACED
- Distinguish between **maneo** and **moneo**.  
 MANEO = I STAY, I REMAIN MONEO = I WARN, I ADVISE  
 Distinguish between **civis** and **civitas**.  
 CIVIS = CITIZEN CIVITAS = CITIZENSHIP, STATE
- VIII. Translate: "The boys hear the man."  
 1113 PUERI VIRUM AUDIUNT.
- The men hear the boys. VIRI PUEROS AUDIUNT.  
 The boy will hear the men. PUER VIROS AUDIET.
- IX. Who was the mother of Castor and Pollux? LEDA  
 3426
- Who were their sisters? HELEN AND CLYTEMNESTRA  
 Who was Leda's husband? TYNDAREUS
- X. Of what fruit did Persephone eat a part, giving birth to the  
 3248 myth of the seasons? POMEGRANATE
- Who was Persephone's mother? DEMETER  
 Who was her father? ZEUS
- XI. Name the tenses formed from the present stem of a Latin  
 979 verb. PRESENT, IMPERFECT, FUTURE
- What principal part is used for the perfect active system?  
 THE THIRD  
 What principal part is used for the perfect passive system?  
 THE FOURTH
- XII. What was the date of the First Triumvirate? 60 BC  
 5844
- What was the date of the Second? 43 BC  
 Which member of the First died first? CRASSUS
- XIII. Quot bracchia habes? DUO  
 765
- Quot capita habes? UNUM  
 Quot oculos habes? DUO (DUOS)
- XIV. What god killed a turtle the day he was born? HERMES  
 3394
- Name Hermes' two grandfathers. CRONUS AND ATLAS
- XV. What did the phrase **Mare Nostrum** mean to a Roman?



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THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA

What else might a Roman call it? MARE INTERNUM  
 What port at Italy's heel was the port of departure to Greece?  
 BRUNDISIUM (now Brindisi)

XVI.  
 1075

How must two nouns in apposition agree? ONLY IN CASE  
 How must a relative pronoun agree with its antecedent?  
 GENDER AND NUMBER  
 How must an adjective agree with its noun?  
 GENDER, NUMBER AND CASE

XVII.  
 685

How many tenses are there in Latin? SIX  
 How many moods? FOUR  
 How many voices? TWO

XVIII.  
 5940

What do we call the succession of rulers beginning with Nerva?  
 THE FIVE GOOD EMPERORS  
 Who was the last of them? MARCUS AURELIUS  
 Who co-ruled with Marcus Aurelius for the first years of his  
 reign? (LUCIUS) VERUS

XIX.  
 5859

For what show of stamina was Gaius Mucius famous?  
 HE BURNED OFF HIS RIGHT HAND TO SHOW ROMAN BRAVERY  
 To what Etruscan king did he make this demonstration?  
 LARS PORSENA  
 What cognomen did it earn him? SCAEVOLA ("LEFTY")

XX.  
 1122

What is the plural of **equi**? EQUORUM  
 What is the plural of **equiti**? EQUITIBUS  
 What is the plural of **equitis**? EQUITUM

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Round C10

- I. 3415 What is the name given to the race of men sprung from ants on the island of Aegina? MYRMIDONS
- What king watched over this transformation? AEACUS
- Who commanded an army of Myrmidons at Troy? ACHILLES
- II. 6046 To what god did Augustus Caesar dedicate his forum in 2 BC? MARS ULTOR
- Where had he made the pledge to build this forum? PHILIPPI
- What forum was dedicated by Julius Caesar in 46 BC? THE FORUM JULIUM (or FORUM CAESARIS)
- III. 1185 What is the first person singular future active indicative of scribo? SCRIBAM
- Of canto? CANTABO
- Of scio? SCIAM (SCIBO is found in Plautus)
- IV. 5986 What was the name of the grain supply in ancient Rome? ANNONA (or RES FRUMENTARIA)
- What officials were in charge of it during the last centuries of the Republic? THE AEDILES
- What official was created to maintain it during the time of Augustus? THE PRAEFECTUS ANNONAE
- V. 5965 Who was the wife of Romulus? HERSILIA
- What tribe was she from? SABINES
- When she was deified, what was her new name? HORA (HORA QUIRINI)
- VI. 3433 What king was torn to pieces by his mother and her sisters while they were under the influence of Bacchus? PENTHEUS
- Who was his mother? AGAVE
- Their cruelty to whom was avenged by this carnage? THEIR SISTER SEMELE
- VII. 1203 Define the verb munire. FORTIFY, BUILD (A ROAD)
- Define punire. PUNISH
- Define unire. UNITE, UNIFY

- VIII. 898 Quem sonum facit vacca? MOO  
 Quem sonum facit ovis? BAA  
 Quem sonum facit porcus? OINK
- IX. 1021 What does **superabit** mean? HE/SHE WILL CONQUER  
 What does **persuaserant** mean? THEY HAD PERSUADED  
 What does **docebamini** mean? Y'ALL WERE (BEING) TAUGHT
- X. 1030 What Latin adjective gives us the noun "ingratitude"? GRATUS  
 What Latin pronoun gives us the noun "egotist"? EGO  
 What Latin noun gives us the verb "exaggerate"? AGGER
- XI. 955 What is the present infinitive of the verb **eo**? IRE  
 What is the perfect infinitive? IISSE or IVISSE or ISSE  
 What is the future infinitive? ITURUS ESSE
- XII. 976 What is the meaning of the Latin noun **sagitta**? ARROW  
 Of the noun **arcus**? BOW  
 Of the noun **pilum**? SPEAR, JAVELIN
- XIII. 848 Based on derivation, which is the unrelated word: anniversary, versatile, divergent, irreversible? DIVERGENT  
 Which is the unrelated word: vociferous, ferocious, collate, conifer? FEROCIOUS  
 Which is the unrelated word: constant, obstacle, stable, stoical? STOICAL
- XIV. 1074 Make **ducite** singular. DUC  
 Make **regite** singular. REGE  
 Make **facite** singular. FAC
- XV. 5911 What gladiator led thousands of slaves against the Romans from 73 to 71 BC? SPARTACUS  
 They camped on the slopes of what mountain near Naples? VESUVIUS  
 What was the punishment for those not killed in battle? CRUCIFIXION (ALONG THE APPIAN WAY)
- XVI. 1076 What preposition goes with the dative of agent? NONE

With the ablative of agent? A/AB  
With the ablative of means? NONE

- XVII. What Roman woman is famous for swimming the Tiber? CLOELIA  
6027  
What Roman free woman was killed by her father to prevent her  
rape by Appius Claudius? VERGINIA  
Who betrayed her city to the Sabines and was thrown from the rock  
which now bears her name? TARPEIA
- XVIII. What creature's blood made Heracles' arrows poisonous?  
3349 THE HYDRA'S  
Whose blood made Heracles' robe fatal to him? THE CENTAUR NESSUS'  
Whom did the dying Nessus deceive into dipping the robe in his  
blood? HERACLES' WIFE DEIANEIRA
- XIX. The sight of what caused Aegeus to throw himself into the sea?  
3359 SAILS OF THE WRONG COLOR (BLACK)  
What did the sails erroneously indicate to Aegeus?  
THAT THESEUS WAS DEAD  
What success was Theseus returning from? KILLING THE MINOTAUR
- XX. What was the name of the river of forgetfulness? LETHE  
3410  
What is the name of the section of torments in the underworld?  
TARTARUS  
What is the pleasant section of the underworld?  
THE ELYSIAN FIELDS (ELYSIUM)

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Round C100

- I. 1163 What root verb gives us the English adjective and noun "concrete"? CRESCO
- The adjective "discrete" (spell!)? CERNO  
The adjective "discreet" (spell!)? CERNO
- II. 3247 What two gods built the walls of Troy? POSEIDON AND APOLLO
- Under what king? LAOMEDON  
Who killed Laomedon? HERACLES
- III. 3257 Who was Aeneas' bitterest divine enemy throughout his travels? HERA/JUNO
- Why? THE TROJANS' DESCENDANTS WOULD CONQUER HER BELOVED CARTHAGE  
How does she first seek to destroy the Trojan refugees?  
SHE HAS AEOLUS SEND A STORM AT SEA
- IV. 724 How many participles does a regular, transitive Latin verb have? 4
- How many more could it have, but for which Latin has no form? 2  
Which two participial possibilities do not exist?  
PRESENT PASSIVE AND PERFECT ACTIVE
- V. 3287 What sprang from the blood of the Gorgon Medusa's severed head? THE WINGED HORSE PEGASUS (and CHRYSIAOR)
- By what god was Medusa pregnant at the time of her death? POSEIDON  
What deity gave Bellerophon the bridle with which to tame Pegasus?  
ATHENA
- VI. 5829 What minor goddess, a patroness of childbirth and of fountains, was the consort of Rome's King Numa? EGERIA
- What important change did he supposedly make in the calendar?  
CHANGED IT FROM TEN MONTHS TO TWELVE  
What important building was supposedly his home?  
THE REGIA, IN LATER ERAS THE PONTIFEX MAXIMUS' HOME
- VII. 1116 Using alliterative words, give the nominative phrase for "happy cat." FELES (or FAELES or FELIS) FELIX
- For "reasonable horse." EQUUS AEQUUS  
For "tall elm tree." ULMUS ALTA

VIII. Of the six indicative tenses, how many have no corresponding  
805 subjunctive? TWO

Which two? FUTURE AND FUTURE PERFECT  
What rule of syntax determines what tense of the subjunctive  
follows what tense of the main verb? SEQUENCE OF TENSES

IX. Who was the father of the monster Cacus? HEPHAESTUS/VULCAN  
3342  
How did he try to cover his theft of Heracles' cattle?  
HE LED THEM BACKWARD  
On what hill of the future Rome did Cacus live? PALATINE

X. A meal was cooked in what room of the Roman house? CULINA  
5912  
Where was it served? IN THE TRICLINIUM  
What distinguished a summer triclinium from a winter one?  
SUMMER ONES FACED NORTH, WINTER ONES SOUTH

XI. Who besieged and captured Saguntum in 219 BC? HANNIBAL  
5965  
Hannibal intended to win the war against Rome with a bold  
invasion of Italy. Give the place and date of two of his  
victories over the Romans.  
TICINUS (218) P. SCIPIO  
TREBIA (218) SCIPIO AND SEMPRONIUS LONGUS  
TRASIMENE (217) FLAMINIUS  
CANNAE (216) PAULUS AND VARRO  
Give the losing Roman generals in the battles you just named.

XII. Who was elected Pontifex Maximus in the same year Cicero was  
6042 elected consul? JULIUS CAESAR  
Who was Caesar's last *magister equitum*? M. AEMILIUS LEPIDUS  
Who was Caesar's last co-consul? MARC ANTONY

XIII. Give one person the command to use. UTERE  
680  
Make that command plural. UTIMINI  
Say "I will use an animal." ANIMALI UTAR

XIV. Complete this analogy: *feminis* : *viris* :: \_\_\_\_\_ : *filiis*.  
900 FILIABUS  
Complete these analogies: *bonus* : *malus* :: *latus* : \_\_\_\_\_. ANGUSTUS  
*Magnus* : *parvus* :: \_\_\_\_\_ : *cum*. SINE

XV. What natural pair is *aves* *apesque*? THE BIRDS AND THE BEES

922

Agentes et latrones? COPS AND ROBBERS  
Panis et mel? BREAD AND HONEY

XVI.  
1149

Fac sonum muris. SQUEAK

Fac sonum anseris. HONK  
Fac sonum columbae. COO

XVII. 5942 What fortified plateau on the shore of the Dead Sea is a symbol of Jews' resistance to oppression? MASADA

During a revolt in 66 AD, Jewish zealots captured the fortress.  
When did a Roman army retake it? 73 AD  
After that six-month siege in 73, what Roman commander  
retook Masada? FLAVIUS SILVA (Peter O'Toole)

XVIII. 1211 What do you know from Latin when you read that someone was decapitated? THAT HE WAS BEHEADED

What do you know when someone was defenestrated?  
THAT HE WAS THROWN OUT A WINDOW  
When something was regurgitated?  
SPEWED UP FROM/THROUGH THE THROAT

XIX. 3430 Who was condemned to death for burying her brother's dead body? ANTIGONE

What was the method of execution? SHE WAS BURIED ALIVE (ENTOMBED)  
How did she die? SHE HANGED HERSELF IN THE TOMB

XX. 984 Give the three active infinitives of tango.. TANGERE, TETIGISSE, TACTURUS ESSE

Do the same for fero. FERRE, TULISSE, LATURUS ESSE  
Do the same for volo wish. VELLE, VOLUISSE, ---