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UPPER DIVISION
ROUND ONE -- REVISED DRAFT**

1. What author in the sixth book of his masterpiece made an allusion to the death of
Marcellus, the nephew of Augustus? (PUBLIUS) VERGILIUS (MARO)
Who fainted when Vergil read this passage from the *Aeneid* to members of the imperial
family? (MARCELLUS' MOTHER) OCTAVIA
In the poem, what is Anchises showing Aeneas when they see Marcellus' spirit?
FUTURE (HEROES) OF ROME
2. Define **harundō**. REED, FISHING ROD, PEN, ARROW
Define **hirundō**. BIRD (spec. swallow or martin)
Define **hīrūdō**. LEECH
3. Which of Aeneas' wives died trying to flee from burning Troy? CREÜSA
What son of Aeneas and Creüsa remained with his father and escaped from Troy safely?
ASCANIUS / IÜLUS
To what place of refuge did Aeneas and Iulus escape immediately after the sack of Troy?
MT. IDA
4. Give an antonym of **possum**. NEQUEŌ
Give an antonym of **lateō**. PATEŌ, PANDŌ
Give an antonym of **laxō**. NECTŌ, VINCIŌ, LIGŌ, (CON)STRINGŌ
5. In the Circus Maximus, what was the usual number of horses yoked to a racing chariot?
FOUR
Before Domitian, how many chariot-racing syndicates raced in Rome? FOUR
By what four colors were these racing syndicates represented?
RED, WHITE, BLUE, & GREEN
6. Which of the following verbs is NOT a derivative of **pax**: pacify, appease, pay, impact?
IMPACT
What verb is the root of "impact"? PANGŌ (PANGERE)
What deponent verb shares a root with **pax**? PACISCOR
7. What tyrant's sacrifice of a child at the shrine of Zeus in Arcadia greatly offended the god?
LYCAON
As punishment, what happened thereafter every time a sacrifice was made there?
A MAN WAS TURNED INTO A WOLF
Under what conditions could the wolf become a man again?
IF IT WENT FOR A LONG TIME (8 OR 9 YEARS) WITHOUT EATING
HUMAN FLESH

8. Which Roman king secured a supply of salt by taking from the Etruscans the control of the salt pans close to the mouth of the Tiber? **ANCUS MARCIUS**
 What did Ancus build at Rome in order to bring the salt into the city? **PONS SUBLICIUS**
 Why was this bridge later destroyed? **TO TRY TO PREVENT LARS PORSENNA/ETRUSCANS FROM INVADING & CAPTURING ROME**
9. Translate: **Nōn ut edam vīvō sed ut vīvam edō.**
I DO NOT LIVE TO EAT, BUT I EAT TO LIVE
 Translate: **Quid faciam Rōmae? Circēnsēs mihī invīsī sunt.**
WHAT SHALL I/AM I TO DO IN/AT ROME? I HATE CIRCUS GAMES/CHARIOT RACES (or CIRCUS GAMES ARE HATEFUL TO ME)
 Translate: **Quī stultīs vidērī ērudītī volunt, stultī ērudītīs videntur.**
THOSE WHO WANT TO SEEM INTELLIGENT TO THE STUPID SEEM STUPID TO THE INTELLIGENT
10. Which of Julius Caesar's literary works covers the years 49 and 48 BC?
COMMENTARII DĒ BELLŌ CIVILI
 In which of Caesar's works does he discuss his military campaigns from 58 to 52 BC?
COMMENTARII DĒ BELLŌ GALLICŌ
 Who wrote an eighth book as a continuation of Caesar's *Dē Bellō Gallicō*?
(AULUS) HIRTIUS
11. According to one account, what deity was the owner of the *caduceus* before he gave it to Hermes?
APOLLO
 What did Apollo receive in return after he gave Hermes the *caduceus*? **THE LYRE**
 What musical instrument was said to have been invented by Apollo? **LUTE / CITHARA**
12. Latin has no present participle in the passive voice. Name one construction used in its place.
CLAUSE WITH DUM, CLAUSE WITH CUM
 Latin also has no perfect participle in the active voice. For five points, name one construction used to fill this vacancy.
see below for answers
 Name another.
 1. PERFECT PARTICIPLE IN ABLATIVE ABSOLUTE
 2. TEMPORAL CLAUSE (**CUM, POSTQUAM**, ETC.)
 3. UTILIZING THE PERFECT PARTICIPLE OF A DEPONENT VERB OF KINDRED MEANING SO THAT IT HAS AN ACTIVE MEANING
13. What cousin of Alexander the Great came to Italy to assist the Tarentines in their war with the Romans?
PYRRHUS
 At what two costly battles did Pyrrhus defeat the Romans? **HERACLEA & ASCULUM**
 After what battle in 275 B.C. did Pyrrhus leave Italy and return to his kingdom of Epirus?
BENEVENTUM / MALEVENTUM
14. Give the third person plural, pluperfect active indicative of **tendō**. **TETENDERANT**
 Give the same form for **tundō**. **TUTUDERANT**
 Give the Fourth principal parts for **tendō** and **tundō**. **TENTUS (TENSUS)**
TUNSUS (TŪSUS)

15. What literary device besides alliteration can be found in the Latin phrase “**luctantīs ventōs tempestātēque sonōrās**”? CHIASMUS / HENDIADYS
 What literary device besides alliteration can be found in the Latin phrase “**manūs ac supplicēs vōcēs ad Tiberium tendēns**”? ZEUGMA / SYLLEPSIS
 What literary device besides alliteration can be found in the Latin phrase “**nōn indecōrō pulvere sordidī**”? LITOTES
16. **Ā quibus animalibus fit mel?** ĀB APIBUS
Quod nōmen est domuī apium? ALVUS (-Ō) / ALVEUS (-Ō) / ALVEĀRIUM (-Ō) / PRAESAEPĒ (-Ī) / PRAESIPIA (-AE)
Quam māteriam faciunt apēs in quā mel pōsitum est? CĒRAM / CĒRĀS
17. Which of the first century A.D. Roman emperors halted territorial expansion and expressly directed his successors to keep the empire within the borders which he had set? AUGUSTUS
 (PASS OUT THE HANDOUT)
 Please look at the handout and tell me the letter of the picture of the emperor who extended the empire to its greatest territorial extent. “F” (TRAJAN)
 Tell me the letter of the picture of the emperor who withdrew from some of the territory added by his predecessor because he could not defend the new borders. “E” (HADRIAN)
18. What tribe of substance abusers did Odysseus encounter on the Libyan coast? LOTUS-EATERS / LOTOPHAGI
 What effect did the fruit of the lotus have on the people?
 IT ROBBED THEM OF THE AMBITION TO DO ANYTHING MORE DEMANDING / MAKE THEM FORGET ABOUT EVERYTHING
 After he dragged his scouts back to the boat, what did Odysseus have to do to prevent his men from returning to the land of the Lotus-Eaters?
 HE CLAMPED THEM IN IRONS / HE RESTRAINED THEM
19. Which Roman writer was the first to collect the historical traditions of early Rome and unite them in a single narrative entitled *Annalēs*? QUINTUS ENNIUS
 In what meter is his *Annalēs* written? DACTYLIC HEXAMETER
 In what meter had previous Latin epics been written? SATURNIAN
20. What is the meaning of the Ciceronian idiom “**fidem fallere**”? TO BREAK A PROMISE
 What is the meaning of the Ciceronian idiom “**fidem facere**”? TO CONVINCE
 What is the meaning of the Ciceronian idiom “**fidēs pūblica**”? PROMISE OF IMMUNITY

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UPPER DIVISION
ROUND TWO -- REVISED DRAFT**

1. During the Trojan War, what two enemies exchanged their armor on account of the friendship of their ancestors? **DIOMEDES & GLAUCUS**
According to Diomedes, how was this friendship formed?
DIOMEDES' GRANDFATHER (OENEUS) ENTERTAINED GLAUCUS' GRANDFATHER (BELLEROPHON FOR 20 DAYS) AT HIS HOUSE / HOSPITALITY BETWEEN DIOMEDES' GRANDFATHER AND GLAUCUS' GRANDFATHER
How did Diomedes get the better end of the deal?
GLAUCUS' ARMOR WAS MADE OF GOLD WHEREAS DIOMEDES' WAS MADE OF BRONZE / GLAUCUS' ARMOR WAS WORTH 100 OXEN AND DIOMEDES' ARMOR WAS WORTH ONLY 9
2. What Latin verb with what meaning is the root of "pay"? **PĀCĀRE** – SUBDUE, IMPOSE
... of "plaintiff"? **PLANGERE** – BEAT, STRIKE, MOURN FOR SETTLEMENT ON
... of "culprit"?
PRAESTĀRE – , BE AVAILABLE, BE BEST, BE PREFERABLE, PREVAIL
3. Name a building or structure that was built in the *Campus Martius* by Augustus.
THEATER OF MARCELLUS, ARA PACIS, PORTICO OF OCTAVIA, HOROLOGIUM / SOLARIUM OF AUGUSTUS, SAEPTA IULIA (finished) & MAUSOLEUM OF AUGUSTUS
Name another.
Name a third.
4. What native Italian poet was the first to write an epic about a Latin subject?
GNAEUS NAEVIUS
What is the title of Naevius' great epic poem? **BELLUM PUNICUM** (or **POENICUM**)
Of what type of *fābulae* was Naevius the originator? **FĀBULA(E) PRAETEXTA(E)**
5. Name the Roman woman who accused her ex-lover Caelius of attempted murder.
CLODIA
Who successfully defended Caelius by impugning Clodia's character? **CICERO**
Whom did Cicero accuse Clodia of murdering?
(HER HUSBAND) Q. METELLUS CELER

6. Translate: **Aliquī dīcunt patriam amīcitiae praepōnendam esse.**
SOME SAY THAT (ONE’S) COUNTRY OUGHT
TO BE PLACED AHEAD OF FRIENDSHIP
Translate: **Praepōnātur patria amīcitiae dum salūs patriae in perīculō sit.**
LET THE COUNTRY BE PUT AHEAD OF FRIENDSHIP
SO LONG AS THE COUNTRY’S SAFETY IS IN DANGER
Translate: **Quī sunt quī salūtem patriae putent esse in perīculō?**
WHO ARE THERE WHO THINK THAT THE SAFETY
OF THE COUNTRY IS IN DANGER
7. Using the verb **relinquō**, translate into Latin the dependent subjunctive clause in the following sentence using your best Latin prose: “The gates of the city were shut in order that no one might leave the city”. **NĒ QUIS URBEM RELINQUERET**
Again, using the verb **relinquō**, translate into Latin the dependent subjunctive clause in the following sentence using your best Latin prose: “The fear of all the enemy was so great that no one had left the city”. **UT NĒMŌ URBEM RELĪQUISSET**
How would you best translate the phrase “in order that nothing” into Latin when using a purpose clause? **NĒ QUID**
8. Whose girdle was thought to bestow some magical properties on its possessor and was involved in one of the labors of Hercules? **HIPPOLYTA/E**
Of what tribe was Hippolyta the queen? **THE AMAZONS**
What daughter of Eurystheus desired the girdle of Hippolyta so badly that he sent Hercules to fetch it? **ADMETE**
9. Who was the author of the first surviving biography in Latin? **CORNELIUS NEPOS**
What is the title of Nepos’ collection of biographical sketches? **DĒ VIRĪS ILLUSTRIBUS**
To what man, whose life is one of the biographies, did Nepos dedicate this work? **ATTICUS**
10. Some nouns are defective and occur only in plural form. What is the meaning of the plural-only noun **crepundia**? **(A CHILD’S) RATTLE**
What is the meaning of **cūnae**? **CRIB, NEST, CRADLE (OF SMALL ANIMAL)**
What is the meaning of **nūndinae**? **A MARKET DAY, MARKET**
11. What use of the dative case is found in the following: **Karthāginī iam nōn nūntiōs mittam superbōs?** **LOCAL, PLACE TO WHICH**
... **Ecce tibi Marcus!** **ETHICAL (ask for more information if reference is given)**
... **vītam adulēscētibz vīs aufert.** **SEPARATION**
12. What kind of satire is a work such as Seneca the Younger’s *Apocolocyntosis*, which is a mixture of prose and poetry? **MENIPPEAN SATIRE**
Which of Seneca the Younger’s works is a collection of 124 letters addressed to his friend Lucilius? **EPISTULAE MORALĒS**
Which of Seneca the Younger’s works is an examination of natural phenomena from a Stoic standpoint? **NATURALĒS QUAESTIONĒS**

13. Listen carefully to the following Latin passage, which I will read twice, and answer IN LATIN the question about it.
Quīdam homō duōs filiōs habēbat, frūgī et luxuriōsum. Ōlim profectī, sunt captī ā pīrātīs. Luxuriōsus aeger esse coepit et mortuus est. Alter, ruptīs vinculis, fūgit et domum reversus est.
Quī ā pīrātīs captī sunt? (DUŌ) FĪLĪ (CUIUSDAM HOMINIS)
Quālis erat filius quī mortuus est? LUXURIŌSUS / AEGER
Quid fēcit filius frūgī ut domum revertī posset? VINCULA RŪPIT
14. What sorceress tried to kill Theseus when he arrived in Athens? MEDEA
What poisonous plant did Medea put in Theseus' wine? ACONITE
What son of Medea and Aegeus would have been Aegeus' successor had Medea succeeded in her plot? MEDUS
15. Which Roman emperor trusted his mother Julia Domna to carry out important state business? CARACALLA
Who was the husband of Julia Domna and the father of Caracalla? SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS
Julia Domna committed suicide shortly after learning of Caracalla's assassination by what praetorian prefect? (MARCUS OPELLIUS) MACRINUS
16. Consider this line from Vergil, which I will read as if prose: **“Conticuēre omnēs intentīque ōra tenēbant”**. Where would you find the elisions in that line?
BETWEEN **CONTICUĒRE** AND **OMNĒS** & BETWEEN **INTENTĪQUE** AND **ŌRA**
(PASS OUT THE HANDOUT)
**“Dīxerat, atque illam media inter tālia ferrō
conlāpsam aspiciunt comitēs, ēsemque cruōre
spūmantem sparsāsque manūs. It clāmor ad alta
ātria: concussam bacchātur Fāma per urbem.”**
Please look at the handout, which contains a picture from page 41 of the Vatican Vergil codex, written at approximately A.D. 400. How many dactyls are in the first line?
THREE
Now look at line two. What are the words which exemplify ecthipsis?
CONLĀPSAM & ASPICIUNT
17. What Latin noun is common to the abbreviations **f.v.** and **f.r.**? **FOLIUM (-Ō)**
What is the meaning of the abbreviation **f.r.**?
ON THE FRONT OF THE / RIGHT-HAND PAGE
What is the meaning of the abbreviation **f.v.**?
ON THE BACK OF THE / LEFT-HAND PAGE
* *F.V.* = *FOLIŌ VERSŌ* / *F.R.* = *FOLIŌ RECTŌ*
18. Give the supine forms for **sepeliō**. **SEPULTUM, SEPULTŪ**
... **nūbō**. **NŪPTUM, NŪPTŪ**
... **nascor**. **NĀTUM, NĀTŪ**

19. What in Rome were named *Appia, Julia, Claudia, & Marcia*? AQUEDUCTS
Which of these was Rome's first aqueduct? AQUA APPIA
Which of these was the first elevated aqueduct and is still in use? AQUA MARCIA
(*Acqua Pia* or *Marcia-Pia*)
20. According to one source, what Calydonian prince killed Aeëtes, king of Colchis? MELEAGER
Whom did Meleager marry after his return to Calydon? CLEOPATRA
Who was the daughter of Meleager and Cleopatra? POLYDORA

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ROUND THREE -- REVISED DRAFT**

1. Which emperor's *thermae*, built over the site of part of Nero's *Domus Aurea*, was the first of the huge imperial bath complexes? TRAJAN'S (also accept TITUS')
Which emperor's *thermae*, built in the northeastern part of Rome, was the largest of these complexes? DIOCLETIAN'S
Which emperor's *thermae* was built in the south central section of Rome between the *Via Appia* and the *Via Ardeatina*? CARACALLA'S

2. The Latin phrase "**per mē licet**" figuratively means "I have no objection". What does it mean literally? IT IS ALLOWED/PERMITTED/LAWFUL THROUGH ME
The Latin phrase "**dē asinī umbrā disceptāre**" figuratively means "to fight over trifles". What does it mean literally? TO FIGHT OVER/DISPUTE/ARGUE ABOUT
THE SHADOW OF AN ASS/DONKEY
The Latin phrase "**parēs cum paribus facillimē congregantur**" figuratively means "birds of a feather flock together". What does it mean literally? EQUALS MOST/VERY EASILY FLOCK TOGETHER/ASSEMBLE WITH EQUALS

3. Whose plays were commonly said to have been written by Scipio Aemilianus or Laelius? PUBLIUS TERENTIUS AFER / TERENCE
This charge was made because Terence was not a native speaker of Latin. Where had Terence been born? CARTHAGE / AFRICA
Terence was also charged with incorporating material from one Greek play into another. What is the Latin name for this practice? CONTAMINATIO

4. Differentiate in meaning between **fallō** and **fullō**.
FALLŌ – DECEIVE, TRICK, CHEAT, VIOLATE, COUNTERFEIT
FULLŌ – FULLER, LAUNDERER, DRY-CLEANER
... between **feriō** and **ferveō**. **FERIŌ** - STRIKE, FLOG, KNOCK, KILL, DESTROY, TRICK, CUT OPEN
FERVEŌ - BOIL, BE INTENSELY HOT, FOAM, BE EAGER
... between **angō** and **unguō**. **ANGŌ** - THROTTLE, CHOKE, STRANGLE, SMOTHER, CAUSE ANGUISH, BE DISTRESSED
UNGUŌ - SMEAR WITH OIL, DRESS FOOD WITH OIL, ANNOINT

5. According to Ovid, who was transformed into a tree because she unknowingly killed the disguised nymph Lotis by picking a blossom? DRYOPE
Who was the husband of Dryope? ANDRAEMON
Who was the son of Dryope? AMPHISSUS

6. Make the phrase **ille frūctus** ablative plural. **ILLIS FRŪCTIBUS (-UBUS)**
Change **illis frūctibus** to singular. **ILLŌ FRŪCTŪ**
Change **illō frūctū** to genitive plural. **ILLŌRUM FRŪCTUUM**

7. What Latin poet addresses Venus as the goddess of creation even though his poem argues against the existence of the gods and their intervention in the affairs of mankind?
(TITUS) LUCRETIUS (CARUS)
Whose philosophical theory of life does Lucretius elucidate in his *Dē Rērum Naturā*?
EPICURUS'
Name the two Greeks whose atomic theory of the universe is incorporated into Epicurus' philosophy.
LEUCIPPUS & DEMOCRITUS
8. What Trojan War widow missed her husband so badly that she had a statue of him made?
LAODAMIA / POLYDORA
What erroneous impression resulted when a slave saw her caressing the statue?
THE SLAVE TOLD LAODAMIA' FATHER THAT SHE HAD A LOVER
Who was the father of Laodamia?
ACASTUS
9. What type of Roman public building was the architectural predecessor of the early Christian church?
BASILICA
Basilicas were usually named after their builders. What was the name of the basilica in the forum begun by Julius Caesar and finished by Augustus?
BASILICA IULIA
What Greek building served the same basic function as a basilica?
STOA
10. Which of the following Latin nouns does not belong because of gender:
rūs, pīgnus, tellūs, aequor, marmor? TELLŪS
... grūs, porticus, carō, fāgus, vulgus? VULGUS
... mordex, īgnis, rēnēs, tribus, fūstis? TRIBUS
11. Translate: **Quintus Ennius tria corda habēre sēsē dīcēbat.**
QUINTUS ENNIUS SAID THAT HE HAD THREE HEARTS
Translate: **Ennius hoc dīcēbat quod loquī Graecē, Oscē, et Latīnē scīret.**
ENNIUS SAID THIS BECAUSE HE KNEW HOW
TO SPEAK IN GREEK, OSCAN, AND LATIN
Translate: **Mithridātēs autem, rēx clārus, quīnque et vīgintī gentium linguās eloquenter loquēbātur.**
HOWEVER MITHRIDATES, THE FAMOUS KING, ELOQUENTLY
SPOKE LANGUAGES OF TWENTY-FIVE TYPES/NATIONS/TRIBES
12. Who was the king of Thebes when Antigone committed suicide? CREON
What son of Creon was the fiancé of Antigone? HAEMON
What wife of Creon hanged herself after she found out about the death of Haemon?
EURYDICE / ENIOCHA
13. Name the wife of L. Tarquinius Priscus whom tradition credits for his succession to the kingship of Rome.
TANAQUIL / GAIA CAECILIA
According to Livy, what sign did Tanaquil see and interpret that Tarquinius was to be king?
EAGLE STEALS & REPLACES HIS CAP/HAT
Whom did Tanaquil convince the people to follow until her husband recovered from a serious wound?
SERVIUS TULLIUS

14. What poet was forbidden by Nero to write or perhaps only to recite his verses publicly?
(MARCUS ANNAEUS) LUCANUS
What title did Lucan give to his epic on the conflict between Caesar and Pompey?
BELLUM CIVILE (not **PHARSALIA**)
To what crime did Lucan confess and implicate others in the fruitless hope that he would
be spared? CONSPIRING AGAINST NERO / JOINING PISO'S CONSPIRACY
15. Differentiate between the noun form **ōrā** and the verb form **ōrā**.
ŌRĀ (noun) – ABLATIVE. SING. OF **ŌRA** (COASTLINE, SHORE)
ŌRĀ (verb) – 2ND PERSON SNG, PRES. ACT. IMPERATIVE OF **ŌRŌ** (BEG, SPEAK)
... between the verb form **fīde** and the adjective form **fīde**.
FĪDE (verb) – 2ND PERSON SNG, PRES. ACT. IMPERATIVE OF **FĪDERE** (TRUST)
FĪDE – VOCATIVE SINGULAR OF **FĪDUS** (FAITHFUL)
... between the noun form **suī** and the verb form **suī**.
SUĪ (noun) – DATIVE SINGULAR OF **SŪS** (SWINE)
SUĪ (verb) – PRESENT PASSIVE INFINITIVE OF **SUŌ** (SEW, SUTURE)
16. What founder of Pallantium sent his own son to join forces with Aeneas? EVANDER
Who was the father of Evander? HERMES / MERCURY(-IUS)
Who was the gallant son of Evander? PALLAS
17. What Roman military engineer, after having served Julius Caesar and then Octavian,
compiled a treatise on architecture and engineering?
(MARCUS) VITRUVIUS (POLLIO)
Give the Latin title of Vitruvius' work. **DĒ ARCHITECTURĀ (LIBRĪX)**
In which of his works does Frontinus tell us that Vitruvius was responsible for
standardizing water pipe sizes? **DĒ AQUĪS (URBIS RŌMAE)** or
DĒ AQUAE DUCTŪ
18. What Latin word, a derivative of **torqueō, torquēre**, is a noun meaning “instrument of
torture”? **TORMENTUM**
What Latin word, a derivative of **rōdō, rōdere** is a noun meaning “means of nibbling”?
ROSTRUM
What Latin word, a derivative of **caedō, caedere**, is a noun meaning “result of
quarrying”? **CAEMENTUM**
19. Whose portrait on the coin, minted to celebrate her marriage to Mark Antony, was the first
for a Roman woman? OCTAVIA'S
To whom had Mark Antony been married immediately before Octavia? FULVIA
Which of Antony's children by Cleopatra did Octavia raise along with her own and
Fulvia's? CLEOPATRA SELENE

20. Listen carefully to the following Latin passage, which I will read twice, and answer IN ENGLISH the question about it.

Pauper et dīves inimīcī fuērunt – utrīque trēs liberī. Bellum incidit cīvitātī. Dīves, dux creātus, profectus est in castra. Rūmor ortus est ab eō prōdī rem publicam.

What rumor arose?

THAT THE RICH MAN (LEADER, GENERAL)
WOULD BETRAY THE STATE

(PASS OUT HANDOUT)

The handout you have just been given contains the full passage. You have 15 seconds to examine it. (WAIT 15 SECONDS)

–rest of passage –

...Prōcēdit pauper in contiōnem et accūsāt dīvitem prōditiōnis. Hōc absente populus lapidibus liberōs eius occidit. Reversus dīves est victor ā bellō. Petit ad supplicium filiōs pauperis. Pater sē offert. At contrādīcit dīves.

What happened to the rich man's three children?

(WHEN THE RICH MAN WAS ABSENT) THE PEOPLE STONED
HIS CHILDREN TO DEATH

What did the rich man want in retaliation when he returned from battle?

THE PAUPER'S THREE CHILDREN KILLED

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SEMI-FINAL ROUND -- REVISED DRAFT**

1. According to Homer, Helen climbed above the walls of what gate when she went to see the
duel between Paris and Menelaüs? SCAEAN GATE
Who called upon Helen to name the various heroes of the Greeks? PRIAM / PODARCES
When Helen was pointing out the various heroes of the Greeks, whose absence did she
specifically notice? THE ABSENCE OF (HER BROTHERS) CASTOR AND
POLLUX / POLYDEUCES

2. What use of the genitive case is found in “**virtutēs continēntiae, gravitātis, iūstitiae,
fideī**”? SPECIFICATION / RESPECT
... “**Dēsine mollium tandem querēllārum**”? SEPARATION
... “**Habeō parvī Marsum augurem**”? (INDEFINITE) VALUE

3. What Roman priesthood was so circumscribed by taboos that its holder could not have a
political career? FLAMEN DIALIS
To what social class must the *Flamen* and his wife belong? PATRICIAN
Describe the hat which the *Flamen Dialis* was required to wear.
WHITE (LEATHER) CONICAL (CALLED THE *APEX* - WITH A SPRIG OF OLIVE or
A SPIKE OF OLIVE WOOD AT THE TOP)

4. Using **confiteor**, translate into Latin the protasis of the following condition: If you had
confessed, you would have been punished less severely.
SĪ CONFESSUS (-A / -UM) ESSĒS
or SĪ CONFESSĪ (-AE / -A) ESSĒTIS
... If you should confess, you would be punished with a lesser penalty.
SĪ CONFITEĀRIS (-RE)
SĪ CONFITEĀMINĪ
Change your answer to future more vivid. SĪ CONFITĒBERIS, SĪ CONFITĒBIMINĪ
or SĪ CONFESSUS (-A / -UM) ERIS, SĪ CONFESSĪ (-AE / -A) ERITIS

5. What Latin poet died a few months after his patron and friend Maecenas in 8 BC?
HORACE / Q. HORATIUS FLACCUS
What two men introduced Horace to Maecenas? VERGIL & VARIUS RUFUS
Which books of what collection of lyric poems, published in 23 BC, did Horace address to
Maecenas? ODES (*CARMINA*) BOOKS I - III
(Book IV was published in 15 BC)

6. What part of your body comes from a Greek word meaning “fence”? DIAPHRAGM
What is the meaning of the Greek noun at the root of “phlebitis”? VEIN
What is the meaning of the Greek verb at the root of “dystrophy”? NOURISH

7. On certain works of what Greek comedian did Plautus model his *Cistellaria*, *Bacchides*,
and *Poenulus*? MENANDER
... *Casina* and *Rudens*? DIPHILUS
... *Mercator* and *Trinummus*? PHILEMON
8. Listen carefully to the following Latin passage, which I will read twice, and answer IN
ENGLISH the question about it.
**Quaerunt multī cūr Vergilius Aenēam primum ad Italiam vēnisse dixerit, cum
paulō post dīcat Antēnozem ante adventum Aenēae fundāsse civitātem.
Antēnor nōn ad Italiam vēnit, sed ad Galliam Cisalpīnam, quae nōn erat pars
Italiae annō urbis Aenēiae conditae!**
What do many people ask in regard to Aeneas and Antenor?
WHY VERGIL SAID THAT AENEAS CAME TO ITALY FIRST
(WHEN A LITTLE LATER HE SAYS THAT ANTENOR HAD
FOUNDED A CITY BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF AENEAS)
According to the passage, where was Antenor the first to found a city? CISALPINE GAUL
* *DO NOT PROMPT*
Why then, according to the passage, was Antenor NOT the first to come to Italy?
BECAUSE CISALPINE GAUL WAS NOT PART
OF ITALY WHEN AENEAS FOUNDED HIS CITY
9. What pair of mythological dwarfs were warned by their mother “to beware of the
black-bottomed man”? CERCOPE / PASSALUS & ACMON
To whom does this prophecy refer? HERACLES / HERCULES
How did Heracles punish them after he caught them stealing his weapons?
(HE TIED THEIR FEET TO A POLE AND) CARRIED THEM OFF ON HIS
SHOULDERS HANGING UPSIDE DOWN
10. What name is given to the oligarchs who ruled Athens at the end of the Peloponnesian
War? THIRTY TYRANTS
What long time associate of Socrates was the leader of the extremists? CRITIAS
Name the victorious Spartan commander who supported the rule of the Tyrants.
LYSANDER
11. Give a synonym of **fiō**.
ACCIDŌ, ĒVENIŌ, CONTINGŌ, LĀBOR, PRŌLĀBOR, ALLĀBOR
Give a synonym of **supplicō**. **ŌRŌ, OBSECRŌ, ROGŌ, PŌSCŌ, QUAERŌ,**
PETŌ, POSTULŌ, FLĀGITŌ
Give a synonym of **excitō**. **COMMOVEŌ, INCITŌ, INSTIGŌ, IRRITŌ, SUSCITŌ,**
AGITŌ, CIEŌ
12. Whom did Veturia and Volumnia stop from leading an army against Rome?
(GNAEUS MARCIUS) CORIOLANUS
What enemy army was Coriolanus leading against Rome?
VOLSCIANS / VOLSCIAN ARMY / *VOLSCI*
Why had Coriolanus been exiled from Rome? TYRANNICAL CONDUCT
(or OPPOSING DISTRIBUTION OF GRAIN TO STARVING PLEBS)

13. Who was the charioteer of Amphiaraüs? BATON / ELATO
 What was Baton's fate during the siege of Thebes by the "Seven Against Thebes"?
 HE VANISHED/WAS ENGULFED IN A CHASM
 (WITH HIS MASTER AND CHARIOT)
 Who was about to spear Amphiaraüs in the back when Zeus split the earth open to engulf
 Baton and his master? PERICLYMENUS
14. What 2nd century AD author of many apologetic and theological works was the first major
 writer in Latin to proclaim and defend Christianity?
 (QUINTUS SEPTIMIUS FLORUS) TERTULLIANUS
 What later Christian author dedicated *Institutionē Divinae*, a work justifying
 Christianity to educated pagans, to the emperor Constantine?
 (L. CAELIUS/CAECILIUS FIRMIANUS) LACTANTIUS
 What classical author greatly influenced the language and style of Lactantius' works?
 (MARCUS TULLIUS) CICERO
15. What is the meaning of the Latin verb at the root of "polite"?
 POLISH, HULL (GRAIN), CLEAR GROUND BY WEEDING, GIVE FINISH TO
 What is the meaning of the Latin verb at the root of "redolent"?
 (GIVE OFF A) SMELL, BE FRAGRANT OR ODOROUS, STINK
 What is the meaning of the Latin verb at the root of "succinct"?
 GATHER UP, GIRD UP, SURROUND CLOSELY, HEM AROUND, SURROUND,
 ENCIRCLE
16. (PASS OUT THE VISUALS--REMIND THE PLAYERS NOT TO OPEN THE VISUALS
 UNTIL THEY ARE TOLD TO DO SO--WHEN EVERYONE HAS A VISUAL, SAY
 "PLEASE OPEN THE VISUAL NOW")
 This family tree shows the family of Cadmus. Name the mythological character identified
 by the letter "B". ECHION
 Name the mythological character identified by the letter "D". LEARCHUS
 Name the mythological character identified by the letter "C". NYCTEIS
17. Against whom did Lucilla, the daughter of Marcus Aurelius, lead a revolt in AD 182?
 COMMODUS (HER BROTHER)
 Lucilla may have poisoned her first husband, her father's co-emperor. Name him.
 L. VERUS
 Name Commodus' mistress who was involved in the plot which succeeded in killing the
 "Herculean" emperor. MARCIA
18. What Silver Age poet may have been criticizing the emperor Nero in the first and fourth of
 his six satires? (AULUS) PERSIUS (FLACCUS)
 Persius died very young. Who revised his satires before publication and may have toned
 them down? CORNUTUS
 Which of Persius' satires eulogizes Cornutus? FIFTH
19. Give both of the possible present active infinitives for **edō**. **ĒSSE, EDERE**
 Give both of the possible second person singular imperatives of **edō**. **ĒS, EDE**
 Give both possible forms for the second person plural, present active imperatives of **edō**.
ĒSTE, EDITE

20. Give the second person plural, imperfect active subjunctive for **plangō**. **PLANGERĒTIS**
Change **plangerētis** to pluperfect. **PLANXISSĒTIS**
Change **planxissētis** to passive. **PLANCTĪ (-AE/-A) ESSĒTIS**

**1998 NJCL CERTAMEN
UPPER DIVISION
FINAL ROUND -- REVISED DRAFT**

1. Differentiate in meaning between **dēligō**, **dēligere** and **dēligō**, **dēligāre**.
DĒLIGERE – PLUCK OFF, PICK OFF, CHOOSE, ENROLL
DĒLIGĀRE – TIE UP, FASTEN, BANDAGE
... between **glīs** and **glīscō**. **GLĪS** – DORMOUSE
GLĪSCŌ – SWELL, INCREASE, GROW IN POWER
... between **germen** and **grāmen**. **GERMEN** – SHOOT, SPROUT, FLOWER-BUD
GRĀMEN – GRASS, PLANT, HERB

2. The 1998 NCAA College World Series provided some of the most memorable moments for serious college baseball fans as records were shattered, and it is with little surprise that one of America's favorite sports has a classical root. What is the meaning of the Greek root of "baseball"?
STEP / WALK / PLATE / GROUND / PEDESTAL (βάσις) or (TO) WALK (βαίνω)
Any college baseball fan would know that LSU's Alex Box Stadium is one of the toughest place to play in. Give the meaning of the Greek root preserved in the word "stadium". **A FIXED STANDARD OF LENGTH (600 GREEK OR 606 3/4 ENGLISH FEET, ABOUT 1/8 OF A ROMAN MILE) / STADE / RACE-COURSE**
Most college baseball players are superb athletes. Give the ultimate Greek root of "athlete". **PRIZE, AWARD**

3. Who came, as envoys, to Troy to negotiate the return of Helen?
MENELAÛS & ODYSSEUS
What Trojan elder protected the envoys from others who would have harmed them, a deed which was repaid the night Troy fell? **ANTENOR**
What was placed over the door to protect the household of Antenor from the attacking Greeks? **A LEOPARD SKIN**

4. What is the title commonly given to a collection of biographies of Roman emperors, Caesars, and usurpers from AD 117 to 284? **HISTORIA AUGUSTA**
How many authors were believed to have composed the *Historia Augusta*? **SIX**
Name one of these six authors. **AELIUS SPARTIANUS, JULIUS CAPTOLINUS, VOLCATIUS GALLICANUS, AELIUS LAMPRIDIUS, TREBELLIVS POLLIO, & FLAVIUS VOPISCUS**

5. Name the wife of one of the conspirators who was aware of the plot to assassinate Julius Caesar. **PORCIA (THE WIFE OF BRUTUS)**
Name the mother of Brutus who had been Caesar's mistress for many years and whose daughter was married to Cassius. **SERVILIA**
Name the wife of Julius Caesar who urged him not to go to the Senate meeting on the Ides of March. **CALPURNIA**

6. The term “Dioscuri” literally means “sons of Zeus,” and usually refers to Castor and Pollux. Based on the definition of the word, what two early kings of Thebes might be considered as the “Theban Dioscuri”? **AMPHION & ZETHUS**
 Who was the mother of the “Theban Dioscuri”? **ANTIOPE**
 In what form did Zeus pursue Antiope? **A SATYR**
7. What Jewish priest was often referred to by Jerome as “the Greek Livy” on account of his literary works? **(FLAVIUS) JOSEPHUS**
 What is the Latin title of Josephus’ account of the Jewish War against the Romans? **BELLUM JUDAICUM**
 In what language was his work written before being translated into Greek? **ARAMAIC**
8. Say in Latin: three-fifths. **TRĒS QUĪNTAE (PARTĒS)**
 Say in Latin: one-seventh. **SEPTIMA PARS**
Quae sunt duae sextae et sexta pars? **DĪMIDIA PARS / DĪMIDIUM**
 (IF **TRĒS SEXTAE [PARTĒS]** IS GIVEN, SAY “SIMPLIFY THAT FRACTION”)
9. Who laid the foundations for Macedonian power by uniting Macedonia and forging a professional army? **PHILIP II**
 With what battle formation did Philip train his army to fight? **PHALANX**
 What Athenian invited Philip to lead all of Greece against Persia? **ISOCRATES**
10. Make the phrase **as amissus** plural. **ASSĒS AMISSĪ (MUST SPELL)**
 Make the phrase **femur fractum** plural. **FEMORA/FEMINA FRACTA**
 Make the phrase **carbasus candida** plural. **CARBASA CANDIDA**
11. A *consul suffectus* was appointed to fill a vacancy in the consulship. What is the title of the person appointed to rule in the event of the death of both consuls? **INTERREX**
 Who was eligible to be selected as the *interrex*? **PATRICIAN SENATORS**
 How long was the term of an *interrex*? **FIVE DAYS**
12. What modern weapon derives its name from the Roman name for a certain long, round fish that applied a numbing electric shock to anyone who touched it, and ultimately from a Latin verb meaning “be numb”? **TORPEDO**
 What English adjective meaning “shy and modest” derives from a Latin noun meaning “delay”? **DEMURE**
 What English verb meaning “entice by beguiling methods” derives from a Latin phrase meaning “without eyes”? **INVEIGLE (ab oculis)**
13. In which of his speeches of 56 B.C. did Cicero attempt to unite the aristocratic party in an effort to defeat the First Triumvirate? **PRO SESTIŌ**
 Which of Cicero’s enemies brought up the charge of rioting against Sestius? **P. CLODIUS PULCHER**
 What speech dealing with the same case, also delivered in 56 B.C., is an attack on a witness against Sestius? **IN VATINIUM**

14. Translate: **Formīcae, quamvīs parvae sint, animalia māgnī labōris sunt.**
 ANTS, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE SMALL, ARE CREATURES OF GREAT TOIL
 Translate: **Formīcae operantur tamquam sī hūmānī sint.**
 ANTS WORK AS IF THEY WERE HUMAN
 Translate: **Formīcae intelligunt sē, sī nōn labōrāverint, ēsurītūrās esse.**
 THE ANTS UNDERSTAND THAT, IF THEY DON'T WORK, THEY WILL BE HUNGRY
15. According to Homer, who was the only other mortal who knew about the secret of
 Odysseus' bed besides Penelope and Odysseus? ACTORIS
 How did Actoris learn the secret of Odysseus' bed?
 SHE WAS PENELOPE'S HANDMAIDEN AND SHE TENDED THE DOORS
 OF ODYSSEUS' BEDCHAMBER
 Who had given Actoris to Penelope as her handmaiden?
 (PENELOPE'S FATHER) ICARIUS
16. What conjunction would be required to translate the dependent clause into Latin for this
 sentence: Jack scarcely restrained himself from going up the hill? QUĪN
 . . . Jack did not fear that he would break his crown. NĒ
 . . . Jill went up the hill so they could fetch a pail of water more easily. QUŌ
17. Of what city on the Moselle River was the *Porta Nigra* a major entrance?
 TRIER / *AUGUSTA TREVERORUM*
 Name one of the two tetrarchs who had their imperial residence at Trier.
see below for answer
 Name another. CONSTANTIUS (I or CHLORUS) AND CONSTANTINE (I)
18. Which of the extant plays of Aeschylus was the third tragedy in the tetralogy of *Laius*,
Oedipus, and the satyr play *The Sphinx*?
SEVEN AGAINST THEBES / *Ἑπτὰ ἐπὶ Θήβας*
 According to Aristophanes, *Seven Against Thebes* and one other of Aeschylus' extant
 plays was "full of war." What is that other play, which was based upon an
 historical event? *THE PERSIANS* / *Πέρσαι*
 In which of Aristophanes' works is Aeschylus made to defend his use of "high-flown"
 language? *THE FROGS* / *Βάτραχοι*
19. Who filled the bedchamber of Admetus with snakes because he had forgotten to include
 her in his wedding-sacrifice? ARTEMIS / DIANA
 Who, having been courted by two gods, boasted that she was more beautiful than Artemis
 and was punished for this impiety? CHIONE
 What daughter of Meropes was shot by Artemis because she had stopped worshipping her?
 ETHEMEA

20. (PASS OUT THE VISUALS--REMIND THE PLAYERS NOT TO OPEN THE VISUALS UNTIL THEY ARE TOLD TO DO SO--WHEN EVERYONE HAS A VISUAL, SAY "PLEASE OPEN THE VISUAL NOW")

The handout in front of you is a picture of the sarcophagus of Lucius Cornelius Scipio Barbatus and was the oldest sarcophagus discovered in 1782 when the tomb of the Scipios on the Via Appia was excavated. This inscription, in Saturnian meter, was most likely chiseled into the side of the sarcophagus approximately 50 years after the death of Scipio Barbatus.

Cornelius Lucius Scipio Barbatus, [-] Gnaivod patre / prognatus, fortis vir sapiensque, – quoius forma virtutei parisuma / fuit, – consol, censor, aidilis quei fuit apud vos; – Taurasia<m>, Cisauna<m> / Samnio capit, – subigit omne<m> Loucanam opsidesque abdoucit.

There are many words in the inscription which contain forms archaic to classical

Latin. Name three of those and their classical equivalents. *see below for answers*
Name four more.

GNAIVOD = GNAEO

QUOIUS = CUIUS

VIRTUTEI = VIRTUTI

PARISUMA = PARISSIMA

CONSOL = CONSUL

AIDILIS = AEDILIS

QUEI = QUI

LOUCANAM = LUCANAM

OPSIDES = OBSIDES

ABDOUCIT = ABDUCIT

Translate the inscription from **fortis** to **vos**.

– A BRAVE AND WISE MAN, WHOSE LOOKS WERE VERY EQUAL TO HIS
VALOR, WHO WAS AEDILE, CONSUL, (AND) CENSOR AMONG YOU --

