

# 2015 Virginia Senior Classical League State Finals Round

## Level 1-A

**NOTE TO MODERATORS:** in answers, information in parentheses is optional, extra information. A slash ( / ) indicates an alternate answer. Underlined portions of a longer, narrative answer indicate required information.

### ROUND ONE

1. **TOSSUP:** Who was the first Roman emperor to directly succeed his father when he assumed the imperial throne in 79 A.D.? **ANS:** TITUS  
**BONUS:** What city did Titus famously sack in 70 A.D.? **ANS:** JERUSALEM
  2. **TOSSUP:** Which Greek hero was falsely accused of attempting to seduce Anteia, the wife of his host, Proetus? **ANS:** BELLEROPHON  
**BONUS:** To what king, his father-in-law, did Proetus send Bellerophon? **ANS:** IOBATES
  3. **TOSSUP:** What are the case and use expressed by the Latin phrase **tertiā hōrā**? **ANS:** ABLATIVE OF TIME WHEN  
**BONUS:** What are the case and use expressed by the Latin phrase **trēs hōrās**? **ANS:** ACCUSATIVE OF DURATION OF TIME
  4. **TOSSUP:** Of the animals **asinus, cervus, ursula, tigris, testūdō** – which is best described by the following Latin sentence: **Quod animal maximās aurēs habet**? **ANS:** ASINUS  
**BONUS:** **Quod animal valdē tardē ambulat**? **ANS:** TESTŪDŌ
  5. **TOSSUP:** Welcome to the **Bibliothēca Rōmāna**! What book, which might have been called **Mūrum et Virōrum** by the Romans, is a novel set in the Great Depression by John Steinbeck? **ANS:** *OF MICE AND MEN* (ACCEPT ANYTHING THAT IS A LITERAL TRANSLATION)  
**BONUS:** What children's book concerning the same kind of animal in the tossup might be called in Latin "**Sī mūrī crustulum das**"? **ANS:** *IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE* (ACCEPT ANYTHING THAT IS A LITERAL TRANSLATION)
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6. **TOSSUP:** Imprisoned in Tartarus, first by Uranus, then by Cronus, what race of monstrous giants would eventually be freed by Zeus to aid him in his war against the Titans?  
**ANS:** THE CYCLOPES  
**BONUS:** What service did the Cyclopes agree to perform for Zeus so that he would not return them to their prison? **ANS:** THEY FORGED ZEUS' THUNDERBOLTS
  7. **TOSSUP:** There must be something about Arpinum. Name both of the famous Romans of the Republican period who could claim the title of **novus homo** and came from Arpinum?  
**ANS:** CICERO & MARIUS

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**BONUS:** In what year did Marius hold his final consulship, dying before he could complete his term of office? **ANS:** 86 BC

8. **TOSSUP:** Where did the Romans win their first naval battle against the Carthaginians during the First Punic War? **ANS:** MYLAE

**BONUS:** Who was the Roman commander who secured this victory? **ANS:** GAIUS DUILIUS

9. **TOSSUP:** In the Roman Forum, what was the function of a **basilica**? **ANS:** LAW COURT

**BONUS:** What was the Latin term for the elected official who presided over a **basilica**? **ANS:** PRAETOR

10. **TOSSUP:** Give the correct Latin for the word “lion” in the following English sentence: The wolf was attacked by the lion. **ANS:** (Ā/AB) LEŌNE

**BONUS:** Now, assuming the wolf is male, give the correct Latin for the word “wolf” in the same sentence. **ANS:** LUPUS

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11. **TOSSUP:** Discounted by Eurystheus, which labor of Heracles required him to use several rivers to complete? **ANS:** THE FIFTH LABOR / CLEANING THE AUGIEAN STABLES

**BONUS:** Which of Hercules’ other labors was discounted by Eurystheus, and why? **ANS:** THE LERNAEAN HYDRA, BECAUSE IOLAUS HAD GIVEN HERACLES AID (THE TORCH WITH WHICH HE BURNED THE SEVERED HEADS OF THE HYDRA).

12. **TOSSUP:** Translate only the verb of the following sentence from Latin into English:

**Cuniculus miser cōnsūptus est ā lupō.** **ANS:** WAS / HAS BEEN EATEN / CONSUMED / DESTROYED

**BONUS:** Now translate the entire sentence. **ANS:** THE MISERABLE / WRETCHED / SAD BUNNY / RABBIT WAS / HAS BEEN EATEN / CONSUMED / DESTROYED BY A (THE) WOLF

13. **TOSSUP:** Which of the following animal names, if any, derives from a Latin root: poodle, giraffe, whale, ferret, puma? **ANS:** FERRET

**BONUS:** Speaking of animals, I’m hungry. Which of the following words for a type of food, if any, does NOT derive from Latin: venison, fowl, poultry, beef, pork? **ANS:** FOWL

14. **TOSSUP:** Caligula had some crazy ideas. One of these had to do with giving Incitatus a political office. But, what was Incitatus? **ANS:** (CALIGULA’S FAVORITE) HORSE

**BONUS:** Caligula believed that Incitatus was the reincarnation of what famous horse that had belonged to Alexander the Great? **ANS:** BUCEPHALUS

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15. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice. Then answer the question that follows in English.

**Multī mūrēs erant sollicitī, quod fēlēs semper eōs vexābat. Sī mūrēs celeriter nōn currēbant, fēlēs saepe eōs necāvit. Ōlim mūrēs, postquam fēlēs ūnā nocte decem ex mūribus interfēcit, convēnērunt. Necesse erat eīs aliquid dē fēle facere. Sed mūrēs cōsentīre nōn poterant et nihil fēcērunt. Itaque fēlēs omnēs mūrēs cōsūpsit.**

The question: What finally prompted the mice to gather? **ANS: THE CAT KILLED TEN MICE (IN ONE NIGHT)**

**BONUS:** What did the mice do about the cat? **ANS: NOTHING**

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16. **TOSSUP:** If a Latin-speaking deer met a Latin-speaking bull in a field outside Rome, how might the deer say “hello, bull” using correct Latin? **ANS: SALVĒ TAURE / BŌS**

**BONUS:** Also using correct Latin, how would the bull say “Hello, deer”? **ANS: SALVĒ CERVE / CERVA**

17. **TOSSUP:** After assisting her mother in the birth of her twin, which goddess would later defeat the twin giants Otus and Ephialtes when they attacked Olympus? **ANS: ARTEMIS**

**BONUS:** How did Artemis defeat these giants? **ANS: SHE EITHER SENT (OR BECAME) A DEER AND RAN BETWEEN THEM. THEY THEN KILLED EACH OTHER HAVING ERRANTLY THROWN SPEARS TO KILL THE DEER.**

18. **TOSSUP:** What slave was responsible for leading a Roman child to school and serving as his or her tutor? **ANS: PAEDAGŌGUS**

**BONUS:** What is the term for a Roman slave trader? **ANS: MANGŌ**

19. **TOSSUP:** What queen of the Iceni tribe revolted against the Empire during the reign of Nero? **ANS: BOUDICCA**

**BONUS:** What queen revolted during the reign of Aurelian? **ANS: ZENOBIA**

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20. **TOSSUP:** In Arthur Conan Doyle’s *The Hound of the Baskervilles*, Sherlock Holmes investigates a family supposedly cursed by a diabolical hound. What Latin phrase might the novelist have used to warn people about the dog? **ANS: CAVĒ CANEM**

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**BONUS:** The 1960s television show, *Rawhide*, featured a cattle drive. What Latin phrase might be used in the counting of cattle by counting the number of heads that you saw?

ANS: **PER CAPITA**

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### ROUND TWO

1. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following Latin sentence into English: **Nōlī in mēnsā stāre, Lavinia!** ANS: DON'T STAND ON THE TABLE, LAVINIA!  
**BONUS:** Now translate this sentence from Latin into English: **Nōnne Lavinia in mēnsā stāt?** ANS: LAVINIA IS STANDING ON THE TABLE, ISN'T SHE? / ISN'T LAVINIA STANDING ON THE TABLE?
2. **TOSSUP:** Once held by Julius Caesar, what position in Rome referred to the chief priest? ANS: **PONTIFEX MAXIMUS**  
**BONUS:** What name was given to the chief priest of Jupiter who was forbidden to touch metal, ride a horse, or see a corpse? ANS: **FLĀMEN DIĀLIS**
3. **TOSSUP:** Time for a return visit to the **Bibliothēca Rōmāna!** What children's book might the Romans have called **Ōva Prasina Pernaque?** ANS: GREEN EGGS AND HAM  
**BONUS:** What book about a horse might the Romans have called **Nigra Pulchritūdō?** ANS: BLACK BEAUTY
4. **TOSSUP:** What was the collective name given to Eteocles, Hippomedon, Parthenopaeus, Tydeus, Capaneus, Polyneices, and Adrastus? ANS: SEVEN AGAINST THEBES  
**BONUS:** Which of the Seven, who boasted that not even Zeus himself could prevent him from gaining the walls, was shown otherwise by a perturbed Zeus, who struck him dead with a lightning bolt? ANS: CAPANEUS
5. **TOSSUP:** What ruler of a nearby city fought against Rome in an attempt to restore Tarquinius Superbus to the throne? ANS: LARS PORSENNA  
**BONUS:** What was the name of the city where Porsenna was king? ANS: CLUSIUM

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6. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following English sentence into Latin: Lavinia does not understand the man's words. ANS: **LAVINIA VERBA VIRI NŌN INTELLEGIT**  
**BONUS:** Now translate this English sentence into Latin: Lavinia cannot understand because Lavinia is a dog. ANS: **LAVINIA NŌN POTEST INTELLEGERE QUOD LAVINIA EST CANIS.**

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7. **TOSSUP:** Which Greek hero in the Trojan War gained fame for wounding two gods in battle? **ANS:** DIOMEDES  
**BONUS:** Name the two deities that he wounded. **ANS:** APHRODITE & ARES
8. **TOSSUP:** Which Roman Emperor issued the Edict of Milan, which made it legal to be Christian? **ANS:** CONSTANTINE  
**BONUS:** In what year, the year after a famous victory, did he issue this edict?  
**ANS:** 313 A.D.
9. **TOSSUP:** What use of the ablative case is found solely in sentences with passive voice verbs and is almost always introduced with the preposition **ā/ab**? **ANS:** (ABLATIVE OF) AGENT  
**BONUS:** What other use of the ablative is notable in that it will sometimes be seen with the preposition **cum** as in the phrase **summā cum laude**, but can also be seen without a preposition, as in the sentence “**Discipulī curā labōrābant**”? **ANS:** (ABLATIVE OF) MANNER
10. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice. Then answer the question that follows in English.

**Māter, postquam tōtam diem labōrāverat, ad villam revēnit. Fīlia mātērī haec celeriter dīxit: “Māter, tē exspectābam. Cibus nōn cōnsūmpsī. Cibus multum et optimum quam celerrimē cōnsūmere volō. Ubi est mea cēna? Perībō, sī mox cēnam nōn cōnsūmpserō.” Deinde māter, tamen dēfessa, ad culinam tardē prōcessit.** (repeat)

The question. What did the daughter say would happen if she did not get dinner soon?  
**ANS:** THAT SHE WOULD DIE

**BONUS:** What did the mother do at the end of the passage? **ANS:** SHE WENT (SLOWLY) TO THE KITCHEN (PRESUMABLY TO MAKE THE BRAT DINNER)

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11. **TOSSUP:** Let's see if we can get Lavinia and all the other dogs a little better trained before dinner starts. Command all the dogs to sit. **ANS:** **ŌMNĒS CANĒS, SEDĒTĒ!**  
**BONUS:** Congratulations! The dogs have been trained! Unfortunately, someone let the dogs out after all our hard work. What Latin question word would you use to find out who let the dogs out? **ANS:** **QUIS / QUI** (IN THE PLURAL)
12. **TOSSUP:** What general won the **corōna cīvica** for leading the Romans to victory against a rival city, but later defected to that city and fought against Rome? **ANS:** CORIOLANUS

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**BONUS:** Which two of his relatives persuaded Coriolanus to desist before he marched to Rome itself? **ANS:** HIS MOTHER AND SISTER (VETURIA & VOLUMNIA)

13. **TOSSUP:** If you are truly looking for plenty of food, look no further than your Thanksgiving table. What symbol of Thanksgiving contains the Latin words for “plenty” and “horn”?

**ANS:** CORNUCOPIA

**BONUS:** Another staple at Thanksgiving is grain. What is the Latin word for “grain”?

**ANS:** FRŪMENTUM

14. **TOSSUP:** What nymph, the daughter of the river god Peneus, was turned into a laurel tree as she fled from Apollo? **ANS:** DAPHNE

**BONUS:** Who shot Daphne with an arrow of lead so that she would forever reject Apollo? **ANS:** EROS / CUPID

15. **TOSSUP:** Love that chicken from Popeye’s! Popeye’s claims that their chicken is *bona fide* (*pronounce as non-Latinist would!*). What does the Latin phrase **bonā fidē** actually mean?

**ANS:** IN GOOD FAITH

**BONUS:** One reason that fast food tastes so good is that has added sodium and it’s a LOT more than one grain. What Latin phrase translates as “with a grain of salt”?

**ANS:** CUM GRĀNŌ SALIS

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16. **TOSSUP:** Give the genitive plural form of the Latin noun **canis, canis**. **ANS:** CANUM

**BONUS:** Well done! **Canis** is a Latin noun that can be tricky to decline in the genitive plural because it appears to meet all of the qualifications to be an I-stem noun. What is the genitive plural ending for third declension nouns that are I-stems? **ANS:** -IUM

17. **TOSSUP:** At what small fortress and supply base near the Aufidus River did Hannibal inflict a devastating loss on the Romans in 216 B.C.? **ANS:** CANNAE

**BONUS:** The disaster at Cannae came on the heels of another defeat the previous year when Hannibal defeated the troops of Gaius Flaminius at what battle? **ANS:** LAKE TRASIMENE

18. **TOSSUP:** Which elder satyr was the foster-father and mentor of Dionysus? **ANS:** SILENUS

**BONUS:** In some versions, what king’s hospitality and care for a drunken Silenus prompted Dionysus to grant that king a wish that turned out to have disastrous results? **ANS:** MIDAS’

19. **TOSSUP:** Which member of the First Triumvirate was the last to die? **ANS:** JULIUS CAESAR

**BONUS:** Which member of the Second Triumvirate was the first to die?

**ANS:** MARC ANTONY / MARCUS ANTONIUS

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20. **TOSSUP:** The name of what lightly-sweetened cookie (that your certamen question-writer happens to enjoy with coffee) literally derives from the Latin for “twice-cooked”? ANS: BISCOTTI / BISCUIT

**BONUS:** What just as delicious French treat derives from the Latin verb meaning “to grow”? ANS: CROISSANT

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### ROUND THREE

1. **TOSSUP:** Which wise Greek warrior was the oldest at Troy? **ANS:** NESTOR  
**BONUS:** Whom did Nestor advise to don Achilles' armor and join the battle? **ANS:** PATROCLUS
2. **TOSSUP:** What son of Philip V, who shares his name with a mythological hero, succeeded his father as king of Macedon in 179 B.C.? **ANS:** PERSEUS  
**BONUS:** In what battle of 168 B.C. was Perseus defeated by the Romans?  
**ANS:** PYDNA
3. **TOSSUP:** The Latin suffix **-anus** is not the only way to make a noun into an adjective. For example, the adjective **niveus/nivea/niveum** means "snowy" and comes from the Latin noun **nix**, meaning "snow." Given that information, translate the following Latin sentence into English: **Ego virum niveum aedificāre nōlō.** **ANS:** I DO NOT WANT TO BUILD A SNOWMAN.  
**BONUS:** Now translate this Latin sentence into English: **Cūr tū virum niveum aedificāre nōn vultis?** **ANS:** WHY DON'T YOU WANT TO BUILD A SNOWMAN?
4. **TOSSUP:** What was the significance of a **mappa** at the Circus Maximus? **ANS:** THE DROPPING OF THE **MAPPA** SIGNIFIED THE START OF A RACE  
**BONUS:** What was the **calx** at the Circus Maximus? **ANS:** FINISH LINE
5. **TOSSUP:** In 2001, Disney-Pixar released *Monsters, Inc.* What Latin verb, with what meaning, is at the ultimate root of the word "monsters"? **ANS:** **MONEŌ, MONĒRE** - TO WARN; ADVISE  
**BONUS:** In 2013, Disney-Pixar released *Monsters University*. What Latin verb, with what meaning, is at the root of the word "university"? **ANS:** **VERTŌ, VERTERE** - TO TURN

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6. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice. Then answer the **quaestio** that follows in LATIN.

**Puer parentēs nōn habēbat. Ōlim lupa eum prope flūmen invēnit et cum parvīs lupīs suīs cūrāvit. Puer parvus mox ferōx factus est! Puer etiam lupam mātrem vocāvit. Ūnō diē lupa tigrem terribilem in silvā vīdit et dē puerō sollicita erat quod tigris hominēs cōsumere amābat. (Moderator, repeat passage one time)**

**Quaestio: Quod animal lupa unō diē in silvā vīdit? ANS: TIGREM (TERRIBLEM)**  
**BONUS: Ubi lupa puerum invēnit? ANS: AD / PROPE FLŪMEN**



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7. **TOSSUP:** Given that the Latin word for “snow” is **nix, nivis**, say in Latin: Give us snow!  
**ANS: DĀ(TE) NŌBĪS NIVEM!**  
**BONUS:** Too. Much. Snow. It needs to go away. Therefore, command Marcus to carry the snow to the river in Latin. **ANS: FER / PORTĀ, MARCE, NIVEM AD FLŪMEN!**
8. **TOSSUP:** What sorceress from the epic poetry of Homer dwelled on the island of Aeaea?  
**ANS: CIRCE**  
**BONUS:** What other sorceress was Circe’s niece through her brother Aeetes? **ANS: MEDEA**
9. **TOSSUP:** Which late third-century Roman Emperor divided the empire among two senior **Augusti** and two junior **Caesares**, thus creating the Tetrarchy? **ANS: DIOCLETIAN**  
**BONUS:** Whom did Diocletian appoint as his co-Augustus in 286 A.D.?  
**ANS: MAXIMIAN**
10. **TOSSUP:** In *Frozen*, after Elsa accidentally leaves her kingdom locked in permanent winter, she exiles herself. Since the people of Arendelle might not have wanted to see her return, what Latin phrase would have best described her as a person who was unwelcome?  
**ANS: PERSŌNA NŌN GRĀTA**  
**BONUS:** Let’s say that I wrote a book that explained how *Frozen* was inspired by Hans Christian Andersen’s *The Snow Queen*. If I wanted to add a footnote explaining to my reader that I had made a reference “in the work cited”, what Latin abbreviation would I use? **ANS: OP. CIT.**
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11. **TOSSUP:** What were **liquāmen** and **garum**? **ANS: (TYPES OF) FISH SAUCE**  
**BONUS:** A **garum**-soaked piece of bread might be washed down with some **mulsum**. What was **mulsum**? **ANS: WINE MIXED WITH HONEY**
12. **TOSSUP:** Lucius Verginius killed his own daughter so that she might avoid the hands of which Decemvir? **ANS: APPIUS CLAUDIUS**  
**BONUS:** Marriage between patricians and plebeians was legalized by the passing of the **Lex Canuleia** in 445 B.C. By what earlier code of laws had intermarriage between plebeians and patricians been outlawed? **ANS: THE TWELVE TABLES**
13. **TOSSUP:** What great mythological hunter was killed by a scorpion sent by either Gaea or Hera? **ANS: ORION**  
**BONUS:** According to Hesiod, who was Orion’s father? **ANS: POSEIDON**

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14. **TOSSUP:** What title character from an animated movie has a name that is also the Latin word meaning “no one”? **ANS: NEMO / NĒMŌ**  
**BONUS:** What famous line from that movie might have rendered in Latin as: **Piscēs amīcī sunt, nōn cibī.** **ANS: FISH ARE FRIENDS, NOT FOOD (ACCEPT ANY OTHER LITERAL TRANSLATION)**
15. **TOSSUP:** Give the third person singular imperfect passive indicative form of the verb whose third and fourth principal parts are **tulī, lātum.** **ANS: FERĒBĀTUR**  
**BONUS:** Now, keeping everything else the same, make that form future.  
**ANS: FERĒTUR**

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16. **TOSSUP:** Once again using the 3<sup>rd</sup> declension noun **nix, nivis** for “snow”, translate the word for “snow” in the following sentence from English into Latin: There was so much snow this winter! **ANS: NIX**  
**BONUS:** Now, given that **nix, nivis** is a feminine noun, translate this sentence from English into Latin: Snow is not my friend. **ANS: NIX NŌN EST AMĪCA MEA / MIHI**
17. **TOSSUP:** What queen of Thebes, renowned for her beauty, was punished by Apollo and Artemis because she had dared to say that she was better than their mother, Leto? **ANS: NIOBE**  
**BONUS:** One of the criteria Niobe had used to reach her conclusion is that Leto had borne only two children while she herself had given birth to how many? **ANS: 14**
18. **TOSSUP:** How did Heracles accidentally cause the death of the centaur Pholus?  
**ANS: WHILE PHOLUS WAS ENTERTAINING HIM, PHOLUS WOUNDED HIMSELF WITH ONE OF HERACLES’ POISONED ARROWS**  
**BONUS:** Pholus had also driven the neighboring centaurs mad while he was entertaining Heracles. How? **ANS: HE HAD GIVEN HERACLES WINE BELONGING TO THE CENTAURS. WHEN THEY SMELLED IT, THEY WENT MAD.**
19. **TOSSUP:** From 343 B.C. to 290 B.C., against what enemy people did the Romans fight a series of three wars? **ANS: THE SAMNITES**  
**BONUS:** At what decisive battle in 295 B.C. did the Roman General Decius Mus sacrifice himself in hopes of ensuring victory? **ANS: SENTINUM**

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20. **TOSSUP:** Identify the case and use of the pronoun in the following Latin sentence: **Deī multa magnaue dona nōbīs dedērunt.** **ANS: DATIVE – INDIRECT OBJECT**  
**BONUS:** Now identify the case and use of the pronoun in this Latin sentence: **Cūr barbarī pācī nōn student?** **ANS: DATIVE – SPECIAL VERB**

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### EXTRAS

#### Language

1. **TOSSUP:** Give the nominative plural feminine form of the pronoun **quī**. ANS: **QUAE**  
**BONUS:** Take that nominative plural feminine form and make it neuter, keeping everything else the same. ANS: **QUAE**
2. **TOSSUP:** There are several ways to say “yes” in Latin when responding to a question. Give one way to say “yes” in Latin. ANS: **ITA / ITA VĒRŌ / SĪC / VĒRŌ / VERĒ / CERTĒ**  
**BONUS:** Give another. ANS: (see above)
3. **TOSSUP:** **Quid significat “salūs” Anglicē?** ANS: **HEALTH / SAFETY / SALVATION / WELFARE**  
**BONUS:** **Quid significat “vēr” Anglicē?** ANS: **SPRING**
4. **TOSSUP:** Translate the verb of the following sentence from Latin into English: **Lupus magnus vulnerābitur ā virō.** ANS: **WILL BE WOUNDED**  
**BONUS:** Now translate the entire sentence. ANS: **THE BIG / LARGE WOLF WILL BE WOUNDED BY THE MAN.**
5. **TOSSUP:** What case would you use if you told someone in Latin to go to the Forum? ANS: **ACCUSATIVE**  
**BONUS:** What case would you use if you told someone for how many miles they should walk? ANS: **ACCUSATIVE**
6. **TOSSUP:** Give the English verb derived from **brevis, breve** that means “to shorten, especially as in a condensed version of a book.” ANS: **ABRIDGE**  
**BONUS:** Give the English noun derived from **ars, artis** that means “a lack of activity.” ANS: **INERTIA**
7. **TOSSUP:** Which of the following, if any, is NOT derived from the Latin noun **bellum**: **bellicose, duel, revel, rebel, battle?** ANS: **BATTLE**  
**BONUS:** What Latin verb is at the root of the English verb “obey”? ANS: **AUDIŌ, AUDĪRE**
8. **TOSSUP:** Give the Latin phrase and meaning used to describe the neoclassical architecture prevalent in the American South through the early 1860s. ANS: **ANTE BELLUM**  
**-BEFORE THE WAR**  
**BONUS:** Give the Latin motto, along with its translation, of the U.S. Marines.

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ANS: **SEMPER FIDĒLIS** – ALWAYS FAITHFUL

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### Myth

1. **TOSSUP:** Who was warned in a dream to flee the fall of Troy because it was his destiny to found a new city for the Trojans? **ANS:** AENEAS  
**BONUS:** What Trojan's ghost appeared to Aeneas in that dream to warn him that Troy's doom was imminent? **ANS:** HECTOR'S
2. **TOSSUP:** What son of Iapetus and brother of Prometheus was punished by Zeus for siding with the Titans in the Titanomachy? **ANS:** ATLAS  
**BONUS:** What other brother of Prometheus accepted Pandora as his bride? **ANS:** EPIMETHEUS
3. **TOSSUP:** What reckless youth died because he tried to drive the chariot of the sun but was not able to control it? **ANS:** PHAËTHON  
**BONUS:** What god finally had to kill Phaëthon because his inability to control the chariot was endangering the earth and the heavens? **ANS:** ZEUS
4. **TOSSUP:** What famous prophet was chosen to mediate the argument between Zeus and Hera about which gender enjoys the physical act of love more? **ANS:** TEIRESIAS  
**BONUS:** When Teiresias opined that women enjoy physical love more, Hera was infuriated. What did she do to punish Teiresias? **ANS:** SHE BLINDED HIM

### History

1. **TOSSUP:** Who was the Roman commander who oversaw the final destruction of Carthage? **ANS:** SCIPIO AEMILIANUS  
**BONUS:** What is Scipio said to have done as he watched the destruction of Carthage? **ANS:** HE WEPT
2. **TOSSUP:** What battle of 390 B.C. paved the way for the first sacking of Rome by a foreign enemy? **ANS:** (BATTLE OF) ALLIA RIVER  
**BONUS:** Who was the Gallic commander at that battle who later said, in response to the complaints of the Romans, *vae victis*? **ANS:** BRENNUS
3. **TOSSUP:** Which TWO of the emperors of 69 A.D. were assassinated? **ANS:** GALBA & VITELLIUS  
**BONUS:** How did Otho die? **ANS:** SUICIDE (HE STABBED HIMSELF)
4. **TOSSUP:** In what Roman province was the emperor Septimius Severus born? **ANS:** AFRICA (specifically, the city of Leptis Magna)  
**BONUS:** From what man who had purchased the imperial throne at a de facto auction held by the Praetorian Guard did Severus obtain the throne? **ANS:** DIDIUS JULIANUS

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### Culture

1. **TOSSUP:** What area of the Roman world was known in Latin as **Helvētia**? ANS: Switzerland  
**BONUS:** What did the Romans call Scotland? ANS: **CALĒDONIA**
2. **TOSSUP:** What toga known for its dark coloring indicated that the wearer was in mourning? ANS: **TOGA SORDIDA / TOGA PULLA**  
**BONUS:** Which garment was a brilliant white, sometimes brightened with chalk, and signified that its wearer was running for public office? ANS: **TOGA CANDIDA**
3. **TOSSUP:** What kind of Roman wagon was a four-wheeled chariot with benches, a removable top usually made of canvas, and is best known to some modern-day Latin students as being constantly “**in fossā**”? ANS: **RAEDA**  
**BONUS:** How many wheels were on the conveyance known as a **lectīca**? ANS: 0 (IT WAS A LITTER)
4. **TOSSUP:** What two items of a Roman bride’s clothing were traditionally dyed a brilliant yellow-orange color? ANS: HER VEIL AND HER SHOES  
**BONUS:** What was the Latin term for a bridal veil? ANS: **FLAMMEUM**



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### FINAL ROUND

- TOSSUP:** Using only one Latin word, translate the last two words of this well-known rhyme from English into Latin: Roses are red; violets are blue; sugar is sweet and so are you.  
**ANS: ES**  
**BONUS:** Nicely done! Now use only one word in Latin to translate the last two words of this less well-known rhyme from English into Latin: Moses supposes his toes-es are roses but Moses supposes erroneously, for Moses, he knows-es his toes-es aren't roses as Moses supposes his toes-es to be. **ANS: ESSE**  
**BONUS:** April showers bring May flowers, but apparently Mayflowers bring Pilgrims, at least according to our grade school teachers. Translate the verb of the following English sentence into Latin: There are pilgrims in my flowers! **ANS: ĪNSUNT / SUNT**
- TOSSUP:** What two-word Latin phrase that contains the name of a flower is used to indicate that what transpires at a meeting should be kept confidential? **ANS: SUB ROSĀ**  
**BONUS:** The yucca flower is a member of the lily family. It can grow to be as tall as a small tree. It also happens to be the state flower of New Mexico, so give the Latin motto with its English translation for the state of New Mexico? **ANS: CRESCIT EUNDŌ – IT GROWS BY GOING / IT GROWS AS IT GOES**  
**BONUS:** Flowers are beautiful, but that beauty is fleeting. What Latin phrase, with what meaning, describes the fleeting wonders of the physical life? **ANS: SĪC TRĀNSIT GLORIA MUNDĪ – THUS PASSES THE GLORY OF THE WORLD**
- TOSSUP:** Abducted while picking flowers in a field, which daughter of Demeter was forced to live in the underworld for a third of the year? **ANS: PERSEPHONE**  
**BONUS:** Why was she forced to live in the underworld for a third of the year? **ANS: SHE HAD EATEN POMEGRANATE SEEDS (GIVEN TO HER BY HADES)**  
**BONUS:** Which famous Greek hero once tried to kidnap Persephone from the underworld with his friend, Pirithous? **ANS: THESEUS**
- TOSSUP:** Which of the Five Good Emperors, who had the longest reign since Augustus, was given his agnomen after securing the deification of his predecessor Hadrian? **ANS: ANTONINUS PIUS**  
**BONUS:** In what modern-day country did Antoninus Pius build a defensive wall? **ANS: GREAT BRITAIN / UNITED KINGDOM / ENGLAND**  
**BONUS:** In a rare move, Antoninus Pius chose two successors. Who were they? **ANS: MARCUS AURELIUS & LUCIUS VERUS**
- TOSSUP:** The name of the gladiolus flower is derived from Latin and tells us that the plant is shaped like what? **ANS: A (SMALL) SWORD**  
**BONUS:** Which of the following flower names, if any, is derived from Latin: briar, daisy, fern, heather, holly? **ANS: NONE OF THEM**

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**BONUS:** So many botanical terms are derived from Latin! There is a plant known as *opis auriflora* for example. The word “auriflora” tells us that the flowers of that plant are shaped like what part of the body? **ANS:** EAR

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6. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice. Then answer the questions that follow in English.

**Hodiē est diēs natālis meus! Ego igitur multōs flōrēs ab omnibus, quī mē amant, accipere exspectō. Nōne vōs mihi rosās mīsistis? Quid? Si multōs flōrēs nōn accēperō, vituperābō et lacrimābō et omnia iaciam. Cavēte omnēs! (repeat)**

**The question:** From whom does the speaker of this passage expect to receive flowers?

**ANS:** EVERYONE (WHO LOVES HIM / HER)

**BONUS:** What three things does the speaker say will happen if he or she does not receive lots of flowers? **ANS:** (HE / SHE WILL) CURSE, CRY, & THROW (EVERYTHING)

**BONUS:** What warning is given at the end of this passage? **ANS:** EVERYONE, BEWARE!

7. **TOSSUP:** Known in the ancient world as the passageway between Scylla and Charybdis, what modern strait lies between Sicily and Italy? **ANS:** THE STRAIT OF MESSINA

**BONUS:** What other modern waterway was known to the Romans and Greeks as the Pillars of Hercules? **ANS:** THE STRAIT OF GIBRALTAR

**BONUS:** Serving as part of the border modern Europe and Asia, this strait separates the Black Sea from the Sea of Marmara. It got its name, meaning “cow-ford,” from the wanderings of Io. **ANS:** THE BOSPORUS

8. **TOSSUP:** If the question “Where can we possibly travel to so that we can escape all of this snow” were put into Latin, what interrogative would be the first word of the sentence?

**ANS:** **QUŌ**

**BONUS:** If, as response to that question, you were asked in Latin, “Where do you come from? It didn’t really snow all that much this winter”, what would be the first word of that sentence? **ANS:** **UNDE**

**BONUS:** And finally, if you decide that there’s no escape, it snows everywhere, what Latin adverb would you use to say “everywhere”? **ANS:** **UBIQUE / PASSIM**

9. **TOSSUP:** What sarilegious act was performed by Odysseus’ men on the island of Thrinacia? **ANS:** THEY SLAUGHTERED/ATE THE (SACRED) CATTLE OF HELIUS

**BONUS:** Zeus sent a lightning storm shortly thereafter that destroyed Odysseus’ fleet. How many men survived the shipwreck? **ANS:** 1 (ONLY ODYSSEUS)

**BONUS:** On what island did Odysseus wash ashore after this shipwreck? **ANS:** OGYGIA / THE ISLAND OF CALYPSO

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10. **TOSSUP:** Make the Latin verb form **spectāre** passive. ANS: **SPECTĀRĪ**  
**BONUS:** Now make the Latin verb form **sedēre** passive. ANS: **SEDĒRĪ**  
**BONUS:** Finally, make the Latin verb form **capere** passive. ANS: **CAPĪ**

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11. **TOSSUP:** Asculum, Heraclea, and Beneventum were all battle sites fought by Rome against which mercenary from Epirus hired by the city of Tarentum? ANS: **PYRRHUS**  
**BONUS:** Pyrrhus was the second cousin of what great Macedonian conqueror of Persia? ANS: **ALEXANDER THE GREAT**  
**BONUS:** What Roman general eventually defeated Pyrrhus at the Battle of Beneventum in 275 B.C.? ANS: **CURIUS DENTATUS**
12. **TOSSUP:** Which of the Greek gods had the epithet “Psychopompos,” a name detailing his duty as the bearer of souls to the Underworld? ANS: **HERMES**  
**BONUS:** Which of the Greek gods had the epithet “Ennosigaios,” a name meaning “Earth-shaker”? ANS: **POSEIDON**  
**BONUS:** Which of the Greek gods had the epithet “Hekatebelos,” a name meaning “Far-striker” and seen often in Book I of the *Iliad*? ANS: **APOLLO**
13. **TOSSUP:** Which Roman emperor, whose name derives from a type of Gallic cloak, murdered his brother, built an extravagant bath complex, and let his mother Julia Domna carry out the legal work of his reign? ANS: **CARACALLA**  
**BONUS:** Who was Caracalla’s brother, whom he lured into his mother’s apartment where he had centurions waiting to attack? ANS: **GETA**  
**BONUS:** Caracalla passed the **Constitūtiō Antoniniāna** in 212 A.D. What did this law do? ANS: **GRANTED CITIZENSHIP TO ALL FREE INHABITANTS OF THE EMPIRE**
14. **TOSSUP:** What term designated a female Roman head of household? ANS: **MĀTERFAMILIĀS**  
**BONUS:** What term refers to the power that a Roman master had over the slaves in his household? ANS: **PĀTRIA POTESTAS**  
**BONUS:** What is the name for the ceremony at which a woman laid a newborn baby at the feet of the father? If the father picked up the baby, it was accepted into the family; if not, the child was exposed ANS: **SUSCEPTIŌ**
15. **TOSSUP:** Translate both of the pronouns in the following Latin sentence into English: **Hī flōrēs sunt quōs amō.** ANS: **HĪ – THESE; QUŌS – (ONES) THAT / WHICH**  
**BONUS:** Now translate this entire sentence into English: **Flōrēs quōs amābās ab illō puerō captī sunt.** ANS: **THE FLOWERS THAT YOU WERE LIKING / LOVING / LIKED / LOVED HAVE BEEN SEIZED / CAPTURED / TAKEN BY THAT BOY.**

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**BONUS:** Finally, translate this sentence into English: **Ille puer tē amat et tibi flōrēs quōs cēpit dāre vult.** **ANS:** THAT BOY LIKES / LOVES YOU AND WANTS TO GIVE YOU THE FLOWERS THAT HE SEIZED / CAPTURED / TOOK.

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16. **TOSSUP:** Acca Larentia, Titus Tatius, and Numitor are all associated with which king of Rome? **ANS:** ROMULUS

**BONUS:** Mettius Fufetius, the Horatii, and the war with Alba Longa are all associated with which king of Rome? **ANS:** TULLUS HOSTILIUS

**BONUS:** Demaratus of Corinth, Lucumo, and Tanaquil are all associated with which king of Rome? **ANS:** TARQUINIUS PRISCUS

17. **TOSSUP:** Welcome back to *Bibliothēca Rōmāna*! What novel from the early 1900s might the Romans have called **Hortus Secrētus**? **ANS:** THE SECRET GARDEN (ACCEPT ANY OTHER LITERALLY CORRECT TRANSLATIONS)

**BONUS:** What book by Alison Weir, describing a period of English history, might the Romans have called **Bella Rosārum**? **ANS:** THE WARS OF THE ROSES (ACCEPT ANY OTHER LITERALLY CORRECT TRANSLATIONS)

**BONUS:** Finally, what book, later made into a movie starring Sean Connery, might the Romans have called **Nōmen Rosae**? **ANS:** THE NAME OF THE ROSE (ACCEPT ANY OTHER LITERALLY CORRECT TRANSLATIONS)

18. **TOSSUP:** In Book 24 of the *Iliad*, who disguises himself and drives a wagon into the Greek camp to beg Achilles for the return of Hector's body? **ANS:** PRIAM

**BONUS:** In their council, the gods were mostly in favor of Hector's body being returned to his father, but there were three who dissented. Who were these three deities, Troy's most resolute enemies? **ANS:** HERA, POSEIDON, & ATHENA

**BONUS:** When Zeus finally decrees that Hector's body will be given back, which goddess of the rainbow is sent down to tell Thetis to advise her son to accept the ransom offer? **ANS:** IRIS

19. **TOSSUP:** Give the case and use of the Latin word for "girl" found in this sentence: **Flōrēs puellārum sunt pulchrī**. **ANS:** GENITIVE - POSSESSION

**BONUS:** What other use of the genitive can be found in this sentence? **Multi flōrum in illō campō sunt mortuī**. **ANS:** PARTITIVE / OF THE WHOLE

**BONUS:** How many genitive words in total can be found in this Latin sentence? **Flōrēs mortuī pedibus animalium ferōrum interfectī sunt**. **ANS:** 2

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20. **TOSSUP:** For the final ten years of his reign, from what island in the Tyrrhenian Sea did Tiberius govern? **ANS:** CAPRI

**BONUS:** Almost immediately upon Tiberius' ascension to the throne, what son of Julia the Elder and Agrippa died under very suspicious circumstances? **ANS:** AGRIPPA POSTUMUS

**BONUS:** Name both wives of Tiberius. **ANS:** VIPSANIA and JULIA THE YOUNGER

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**OVERTIME: Only use in the event of a tie, which should be broken by simple mathematical majority.**

1. **TOSSUP:** Which two of the conspirators in the murder of Julius Caesar both committed suicide at Philippi? ANS: BRUTUS & CASSIUS
2. **TOSSUP:** Which Greek commander and member of the House of Atreus was killed by his wife and her lover immediately after he returned from Troy? ANS: AGAMEMNON
3. **TOSSUP:** What English derivative of the Latin adjective meaning “swift” means “to begin to reduce speed”? ANS: DECELERATE
4. **TOSSUP:** What state’s Latin motto is “**Ad astra per aspera**”? ANS: KANSAS’
5. **TOSSUP:** Give the dative singular for the Latin phrase “**fēlix rēs.**” ANS: **FĒLICĪ REĪ**

**DOUBLE-OVERTIME: Only use in the event of a second tie, which should be broken by simple mathematical majority.**

1. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following sentence into English: **Militēs in Campō Martiō dīlīgenter exercēbunt.** ANS: THE SOLDIERS WILL TRAIN DILIGENTLY IN THE CAMPUS MARTIUS.
2. **TOSSUP:** What name was given to the authority held by Roman kings in the monarchy, consuls in the Republic, and dictators in times of emergency? ANS: **IMPERIUM**
3. **TOSSUP:** Of the Latin nouns **pēs, pars, pōns, pompa,** and **pōculum,** which is best described by this Latin sentence: **Imperātor triumphāns eam per Rōmae viās dūxit.** ANS: **POMPA**
4. **TOSSUP:** At whose wedding did Eris throw the Golden Apple of Discord? ANS: PELEUS AND THETIS’ WEDDING

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5. **TOSSUP:** What son of Theodosius the Great was ruling the western empire at the time of Alaric's invasion of Rome? ANS: HONORIUS

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**NOTE TO MODERATORS:** in answers, information in parentheses is optional extra information. A slash (/) indicates an alternate answer. Underlined portions of a longer, narrative answer indicate required information.

### ROUND ONE

1. **TOSSUP:** *Quid Anglicē significat “vix”?*      **ANS:** SCARCELY / HARDLY / BARELY / WITH DIFFICULTY  
    **BONUS:** *Quid Anglicē significat adverbium “hic”?* **ANS:** HERE / IN THIS PLACE / AT THIS POINT
2. **TOSSUP:** According to Hesiod, what was the name of the vast emptiness that was the first being, even before any of the gods, to come into existence? **ANS:** CHAOS  
    **BONUS:** What was the name of the daughter of Chaos whose name is Greek for “night”? **ANS:** NYX
3. **TOSSUP:** What is the case and use of the word “body” in the following Latin sentence? *Tum verō Aenēas subitīs exterritus umbrīs corripit ē somnō corpus.* **ANS:** ACCUSATIVE, DIRECT OBJECT  
    **BONUS:** What are the case and use of the word “temple” in the following Latin sentence? *Hic Hammōne satus . . . templa Iōvī centum latīs immānia rēgnīs, centum ārās posuit.* **ANS:** ACCUSATIVE, DIRECT OBJECT
4. **TOSSUP:** Which king of Rome established the Vestal Virgins? **ANS:** NUMA POMPILIUS  
    **BONUS:** Which king of Rome succeeded Numa Pompilius? **ANS:** TULLUS HOSTILIUS
5. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice, and then answer in LATIN the **quaestio** that follows.

**Initiō dī in summō Olympō habitābant; Tītānī in terrā habitābant. Tītānī invidiōsī autem longīs bellīs pugnābant et Olympum occupāre temptābant. Dēnique post multōs annōs dī Olympī Tītānōs superāvērunt. Post victōriam Iuppiter in conciliō deōrum et deārum dixit, “Nōn iam Tītānī terram habēbunt; sub terrā in Tartarō obscurō semper habitābunt. Ego et terram et caelum habēbō.”** (repeat)

**Quaestio:** *Ubi Tītānī post bella contrā deōs vivēbant?* **ANS:** SUB TERRĀ / IN TARTARŌ

**BONUS:** *Cūr Tītānōs Iuppiter punīvit?* **ANS:** (QUOD) (TĪTĀNĪ) OLYMPUM OCCUPĀRE TEMPTĀBANT / ... OLYMPUM OPPUGNĀBANT / ETC.

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6. **TOSSUP:** Who was the warrior maiden who fought with the Rutulians in the war against Aeneas and the Trojans? **ANS:** CAMILLA  
**BONUS:** What Trojan ally killed Camilla? **ANS:** ARRUNS
7. **TOSSUP:** Say in Latin: I am able to run through the woods quickly. **ANS:** **CELERITER PER SILVĀS CURRERE POSSUM**  
**BONUS:** Say in Latin: “Will you be able to see the stars tonight?”  
**ANS:** **POTERISNE HĀC NOCTE VIDĒRE STELLĀS / ... SIDERA?**
8. **TOSSUP:** From the following list, which does not belong because of meaning and why: **māla, ōva, uvae, strigilēs, nucēs?** **ANS:** **STRIGILĒS- NOT A FOOD**  
**BONUS:** Define the four foods from the list: **ANS:** APPLES, EGGS, GRAPES, NUTS
9. **TOSSUP:** Give the third person singular, future indicative of **sum, esse.** **ANS:** **ERIT**  
**BONUS:** Make that perfect tense. **ANS:** **UIT**
10. **TOSSUP:** Name two members of the First Triumvirate? **ANS:** (ANY TWO OF) (GAIUS JULIUS) CAESAR, (MARCUS LICINIUS) CRASSUS, (GNAIUS) POMPEIUS/POMPEY  
**BONUS:** Which of the three triumvirs was nicknamed “Magnus,” at first ironically, by the dictator Sulla? **ANS:** (GNAIUS) POMPEIUS/POMPEY
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11. **TOSSUP:** Of the Latin words or phrases **cotīdiē, in mensā, Mārcus Tullius Cicero, pluit,** and **post mortem,** which is an appropriate answer to the question **quaenam tempestas est?**  
**ANS:** **PLUIT**  
**BONUS:** What are we saying about the weather if we shout **nix, nix, abi!**  
**ANS:** “SNOW, SNOW, GO AWAY!” / WE WANT THE SNOW TO GO AWAY / ETC.
12. **TOSSUP:** Who was the Roman goddess of the hearth? **ANS:** VESTA  
**BONUS:** Vesta’s priestesses were the Vestal Virgins. What was the punishment of a Vestal if she were no longer a virgin? **ANS:** SHE WOULD BE BURIED ALIVE.
13. **TOSSUP:** Which of the following, if any, is NOT derived from the same Latin root as the others: common, communist, municipal, remunerative? **ANS:** ALL THE SAME  
**BONUS:** Which of the following, if any, is NOT derived from the same Latin root as the others: royal, viceroy, regal, reign, realm? **ANS:** ALL THE SAME
14. **TOSSUP:** At a Roman funeral, the eldest male relative was often responsible for the **laudātio.** What was this? **ANS:** EULOGY/ SPEECH OF PRAISE  
**BONUS:** There might also be a **conclāmātio.** What was this? **ANS:** THE RITUAL SHOUTING OF THE DEAD PERSON’S NAME (3X)

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15. **TOSSUP:** Which emperor's death marked the end of the Julio-Claudian dynasty and ushered in the Year of the Four Emperors? **ANS:** NERO

**BONUS:** Who was Nero's famous mother, who wielded significant power behind the throne until she was murdered, likely by his order? **ANS:** AGRIPPINA THE YOUNGER

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16. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following sentence into English: **Dum pacem Rōmānī servant, portae templī sunt clausae?** **ANS:** WHILE THE ROMANS KEEP PEACE, THE DOORS OF THE TEMPLE ARE CLOSED

**BONUS:** Translate: **Dum bellum Rōmānī gerunt, portae sunt apertae et deus Rōmānōs iūvat?** **ANS:** WHILE THE ROMANS WAGE WAR, THE DOORS ARE OPENED AND GOD HELPS THE ROMANS.

17. **TOSSUP:** Who was the only female member of the Argonauts? **ANS:** ATALANTA

**BONUS:** What musician, according to some traditions, was also a member of this voyage? **ANS:** ORPHEUS

18. **TOSSUP:** Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation Q.E.D. **ANS:** **QUOD ERAT DĒMŌNSTRANDUM** / THAT WHICH HAD TO BE DEMONSTRATED

**BONUS:** Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation op. cit. **ANS:** **OPERE CITĀTŌ** / THE WORK CITED

19. **TOSSUP:** Where did Constantine defeat his rival Maxentius in AD 312 to secure control over the Roman Empire? **ANS:** MILVIAN BRIDGE

**BONUS:** What city did Constantine found on the site of ancient Byzantium twelve years later to serve as the Empire's seat of power in the East? **ANS:** CONSTANTINOPE

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20. **TOSSUP:** Welcome to the **Cinema Romāna**! What independent movie, one of 2014's best, would the Romans simply have called **Pueritia**? **ANS:** BOYHOOD (N.B. Also accept any accurate literal translation)

**BONUS:** The director of *Boyhood*, Richard Linklater, also filmed a series of movies, each spaced nine years apart, about the ongoing relationship of two characters who first meet by chance on a train in Vienna. What is the title of the second of these films, set in Paris, in which the characters have only a few hours in the afternoon to catch up in their first encounter in nine years? The Romans would have called this movie **Ante Solis Occāsum**. **ANS:** BEFORE SUNSET (N.B. Also accept any accurate literal translation)

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## ROUND TWO

1. **TOSSUP:** Give the accusative singular of the phrase **virtus magna**. **ANS: VIRTŪTEM MAGNAM**  
**BONUS:** Make that dative. **ANS: VIRTŪTĪ MAGNAE**
2. **TOSSUP:** What legendary Roman statesman was called from his plow to become dictator and save Rome? **ANS: (LUCIUS QUINCTIUS) CINCINNATUS**  
**BONUS:** Against what people did Cincinnatus lead a Roman army at Mt. Algidus?  
**ANS: THE AEQUI/AEQUIANS**
3. **TOSSUP:** From what Latin verb, with what meaning, does the English word “incredulous” derive? **ANS: CREDŌ/CREDERE, TO TRUST/BELIEVE**  
**BONUS:** Give the Latin verb and its meaning at the ultimate root of “voluptuous”.  
**ANS: VOLŌ/VELLE, (TO) WANT/WISH**
4. **TOSSUP:** Which of the following creatures did Heracles bring back to Eurystheus alive: the Nemean Lion, the Lernaean Hydra, the Erymanthian Boar, the Stymphalian Birds?  
**ANS: ERYMANTHIAN BOAR**  
**BONUS:** Who gave Heracles a pair of bronze krotala, similar to castanets, to use in his effort to rout the Stymphalian Birds? **ANS: ATHENA**
5. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice, and answer in ENGLISH the question that follows.

**Pyrrhus erat rēx Ēpīrī. Cīneās, quī erat lēgātus in Pyrrhī castrīs et reliquōs lēgātōs auctōritāte et virtūte superābat, cōsiliīs Pyrrhī nōn probātīs, multā cum libertāte rēgem monēbat. Quondam Pyrrhus Cīneae familiārī dīxit: “In Italiam prōcēdere et cīvitatē Rōmānam cum celeritāte superāre parō.”** (repeat)

The question: With respect to what did Cineas surpass the other legates? **ANS: (WITH RESPECT TO) AUTHORITY AND VIRTUE**

**BONUS:** What did Pyrrhus tell Cineas? **ANS: (THAT) HE WAS PREPARING TO (PROCEED INTO ITALY AND) DEFEAT THE ROMAN STATE/ROME (WITH SPEED)**

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6. **TOSSUP:** What was the name of the multi-day Roman festival held during the time of the winter solstice, during which masters and slaves traded places for one day? **ANS: SATURNALIA**  
**BONUS:** What fertility festival was held by the Romans mid-February? **ANS: LUPERCALIA**

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7. **TOSSUP:** Where did the Romans finally defeat Pyrrhus, King of Epirus, in 275 BC? **ANS:** BENEVENTUM/MALEVENTUM

**BONUS:** Pyrrhus employed a military “technology” previously unknown to the Romans, which they at times called Lucanian oxen. What was this “technology”?

**ANS:** (WAR) ELEPHANTS

8. **TOSSUP:** Differentiate in meaning between the words **tamen** and **tandem**.? **ANS:** NEVERTHELESS AND FINALLY (RESPECTIVELY)

**BONUS:** Differentiate in meaning between the words **lepus** and **lupus**. **ANS:**

HARE/RABBIT/ETC AND WOLF (RESPECTIVELY)

9. **TOSSUP:** Who in Greek mythology are known as the Atreidae, or “descendants of Atreus”? **ANS:** AGAMEMNON, MENELAUS

**BONUS:** What were the names of the sisters whom they married? **ANS:**

CLYTEMNESTRA, HELEN

10. **TOSSUP:** Say in Latin: “Charon was carrying the dead across the river.” **ANS:** **CHARON MORTUŌS TRANS FLŪMEN/RĪVUM PORTĀBAT/FERĒBAT**

**BONUS:** Say in Latin: “Cupid struck the god and the virgin with arrows.” **ANS:**

**CUPIDUS/AMOR DEUM ET VĪRGINEM SAGITTĪS PELLĒBAT**

(and all the other verb options based on either vocabulary or tense:... **PEPULIT/PERCUTIEBAT/ PERCUSSIT/ ICIT/ FERIĒBAT**)

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11. **TOSSUP:** How many Flavian emperors were there? **ANS:** THREE

**BONUS:** Name all three in chronological order. **ANS:** VESPASIAN, TITUS, DOMITIAN

12. **TOSSUP:** Tyrrhenian pirates captured which Greek deity while traveling? **ANS:** DIONYSUS

**BONUS:** Into what creatures did he transform the pirates? **ANS:** DOLPHINS

13. **TOSSUP:** Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation R.I.P. **ANS:** **REQUIĒSCAT IN PĀCE**, MAY HE REST IN PEACE

**BONUS:** Give the Latin and English for the common medical abbreviation b.i.d.? **ANS:**

**BIS IN DIĒ** / TWICE IN A DAY

14. **TOSSUP:** What did Latin nickname by which the Romans referred to the Mediterranean Sea? **ANS:** **MARE NOSTRUM / MARE INTĒRNUM**

**BONUS:** Which body of water within the Mediterranean, off the western coast of Italy, originally carried the designation **Mare Nostrum** due to Roman hegemony over Sicily, Sardinia, and Corsica following the First Punic War? **ANS:** TYRRHENIAN SEA / **MARE TYRR(H)ĒNUM**

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15. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following Latin sentence into English using the word **sē** to mean “themselves”: **Animālia sē dēfendere nōn poterant.** ANS: THE ANIMALS COULD NOT/ WERE NOT ABLE TO DEFEND THEMSELVES

**BONUS:** Translate: **Quod vulnera sunt grāvia, animālia fūgere nōn possunt.** ANS: BECAUSE (THEIR) WOUNDS WERE GRAVE/SERIOUS, THE ANIMALS ARE NOT ABLE TO RUN AWAY/FLEE/ESCAPE.

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16. **TOSSUP:** What emperor, remembered mostly for making a wise choice of heir, took over after the assassination of Domitian and became the first of the Five Good Emperors? ANS: NERVA

**BONUS:** Who was this heir, who expanded Rome to its greatest territorial reach and was considered by some to be the greatest emperor in Roman history? ANS: TRAJAN

17. **TOSSUP:** Give the Roman numerals for the year of the fall of the Western Roman Empire, 476 A.D. ANS: CDLXXVI

**BONUS:** Romans would not have known that year as “476” but as 1229 A.U.C.; give that number in Roman numerals as well. ANS: MCCXXIX

18. **TOSSUP:** What are the case and use of the word “angry words” in the following Latin sentence? **Arachnē autem superba irātīs clāmāvit verbīs.** ANS: ABLATIVE OF MEANS/INSTRUMENT

**BONUS:** Why can’t the word “goddess” be considered an ablative of means in this sentence? **Arachnē tandem in arāneam ā deā mūtāta est.** ANS: ABLATIVE OF AGENT / A LIVING ENTITY OR DEITY IS NOT A MEANS / ABLATIVE OF MEANS DOES NOT FOLLOW A PREPOSITION SUCH AS **Ā/AB**

19. **TOSSUP:** To avoid the Trojan War, which Greek hero pretended to be insane by plowing his fields and sowing salt instead of grain? ANS: ODYSSEUS

**BONUS:** Who exposed Odysseus’s trick? ANS: PALAMEDES

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20. **TOSSUP:** Welcome to the **iPodus Romānus!** What current hit can be loosely rendered in Latin as **Putāns Sonōrē?** ANS: THINKING OUT LOUD (OR “LOUDLY” OR SOMETHING SIMILAR) (N.B. Also accept any accurate literal translation)

**BONUS:** What other popular song, this one by a former Disney Star, would the Romans have called **Vincula?** ANS: CHAINS (N.B. Also accept any accurate literal translation)

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## ROUND THREE

1. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice, and answer in LATIN the **quaestio** that follows.

**Quōdam in oppidō Ītaliae ōlim nātus est puer, quī Columbus appellābātur. Diū in patris officīnā labōrāvit. Sed quod prope erat mare, puer saepe ad lītus ibat et nāvēs, quae ē portū ad terrās exībant diversās, vidēbat. In nāvibus erant hominēs multī, et Columbus mare ipse trānsīre saepe voluit; tum autem pecūniam nūllam habēbat.**  
(repeat)

**Quaestio: Quod Columbus saepe facere voluit? ANS: (COLUMBUS) MARE TRĀNSĪRE (SAEPE VOLUIT)**

**BONUS: Cūr Columbus saepe ad lītus ibat? ANS: (PATRIS) OFFICĪNA PROPE MARE ERAT**

2. **TOSSUP:** Who led the Romans in the decisive battle against the Macedonian king Philip V at Cynoscephalae? **ANS: (TITUS QUINCTIUS) FLAMININUS** (N.B. Do NOT accept Flaminius)

**BONUS: In what year did Flamininus defeat Philip V at Cynoscephalae? ANS: 197 BC**

3. **TOSSUP:** Give the Latin root and its meaning from which we derive “canary,” “canicular,” and “canine.” **ANS: CANIS, DOG**

**BONUS: Give the Latin root and its meaning from which we derive “comfort,” “effort,” and “fortify.” ANS: FORTIS, STRONG**

4. **TOSSUP:** Just before he flooded the world, Jupiter visited a man who revolted him by trying to serve him human flesh. Who was this Arcadian man? **ANS: LYCAON**

**BONUS: Into what did Jupiter transform Lycaon? ANS: A WOLF**

5. **TOSSUP: Respondē aut Latīnē aut Anglicē: Quot annōs habēs? ANS: STUDENT SHOULD GIVE HIS/HER AGE**

**BONUS: Respondē solum Anglicē: Quā horā domō hodiē discessistī? ANS: ONE STUDENT SHOULD GIVE THE TIME HE/SHE LEFT FROM HOME**

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6. **TOSSUP:** What Roman general and politician, a **novus** homo from the town of Arpinum, held a then-unprecedented five consecutive consulships from 104 to 100 BC? **ANS: (GAIUS) MARIUS**

**BONUS: Name Marius's archrival who defeated Marius's followers to become dictator and end the civil wars of the 80s B.C.**

**ANS: (LUCIUS CORNELIUS) SULLA (FELIX)**

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7. **TOSSUP:** Give the accusative singular of the phrase **carmen longum**.  
**ANS: CARMEN LONGUM**  
**BONUS:** Make that plural.      **ANS: CARMINA LONGA**
8. **TOSSUP:** What is the Latin word for uncle on the mother's side and literally means "little grandfather"? **ANS: AVUNCULUS**  
**BONUS:** What is the Latin word for uncle on the father's side? **ANS: PATRUUS**
9. **TOSSUP:** What are the case and use of the word "one" in the following Latin sentence?  
**dedimus summam certāminis ūnī.** **ANS: DATIVE, INDIRECT OBJECT**  
**BONUS:** What are the case and use of the word "one" in the following Latin sentence?  
**unius ob iram prodimur atque Italīs longē disiungimur ōrīs.**      **ANS: GENITIVE, POSSESSION**
10. **TOSSUP:** What insult to him by Agamemnon prompted Achilles' withdrawal from the Trojan War? **ANS: AGAMEMNON STOLE HIS PRIZE, BRISEIS.**  
**BONUS:** What event prompted Achilles' return? **ANS: THE DEATH OF HIS FRIEND PATROCLUS**
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11. **TOSSUP:** Give and translate the motto of Mississippi. **ANS: VIRTŪTE ET ARMĪS; BY VALOR AND ARMS (or equivalent)**  
**BONUS:** Give and translate the motto of New Mexico.      **ANS: CRESCIT EUNDŌ; IT GROWS AS IT GOES (or equivalent)**
12. **TOSSUP:** Who trapped and destroyed a Roman army of three legions and their auxiliaries under the command of Quinctilius Varus in 9 A.D.? **ANS: ARMINIUS / "HERMAN THE GERMAN"**  
**BONUS:** Where did Arminius, a Cherusci chieftain who had previously collaborated with the Romans, lure his erstwhile allies into a trap?      **ANS: TEUTOBERG FOREST/TEUTOBERGER WALD**
13. **TOSSUP:** Say in Latin: "Soon the king will give help to the city." **ANS: MOX REX URBĪ AUXILIUM DABIT/ ... IUVĀBIT (with **auxilium** omitted)**  
**BONUS:** Say in Latin: "The citizens will never trust the king."  
**ANS: NUMQUAM CĪVĒS RĒGĪ CRĒDENT**
14. **TOSSUP:** What Roman magistrate, not part of the Cursus Honorum, was in charge of games and public works? **ANS: AEDILE / AEDILIS**  
**BONUS:** Which Roman magistrates during the time of the Republic were in charge of the accuracy of weights and measures in the marketplace and the maintenance of the **annona**, or grain supply?      **ANS: AEDILE / AEDILIS**

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15. **TOSSUP:** Who was the god who gave Odysseus a bag of winds to sail home? **ANS:**  
AEOLUS

**BONUS:** Aeolus also played a role in Vergil's **Aeneid**. What divinity convinced him to unleash the winds to blow Aeneas off course? **ANS:** JUNO

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16. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following Latin sentence into English: **Iuppiter multam aquam in terram mīsit quod virī et fēminae fuerunt mali.** **ANS:** JUPITER SENT MUCH WATER/ A LOT OF WATER ONTO THE EARTH BECAUSE THE MEN AND WOMEN WERE EVIL/ BAD

**BONUS:** Translate: **Aqua alta oppida celāvit et omnēs hominēs interfēcit.**  
**ANS:** THE DEEP WATER COVERED THE TOWNS AND KILLED ALL THE PEOPLE.

17. **TOSSUP:** What emperor, known by a nickname derived from a beloved article of clothing, succeeded his father Septimius Severus and expanded suffrage to all free men with the **Constitutio Antoniniana**? **ANS:** CARACALLA

**BONUS:** Who had been Caracalla's brother and co-ruler until Caracalla had him killed?  
**ANS:** GETA

18. **TOSSUP:** What is the idiomatic meaning of the Latin phrase “**fābulam agere**”?  
**ANS:** TO ACT IN A PLAY

**BONUS:** What is the idiomatic meaning of the Latin phrase “**castra ponere**”?  
**ANS:** TO PITCH CAMP

19. **TOSSUP:** Who was the Roman goddess of fruit trees, loved by Vertumnus?  
**ANS:** POMONA

**BONUS:** Who was a suitor rejected by Pomona and changed by Circe into a woodpecker? **ANS:** PICUS

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20. **TOSSUP:** When recognized, perform the following commands: **Nolī surgere, sed tacitē iacē in terrā.** **ANS:** PLAYER MUST LIE DOWN ON THE GROUND SILENTLY (AND NOT STAND)

**BONUS:** When recognized, perform the following commands: **Rogā Anglicē moderātōrem hanc quaestiōnem, “Quot manūs certāminis hīc adsunt?”**  
**ANS:** ONE PLAYER MUST ASK THE MODERATOR IN ENGLISH HOW MANY TEAMS ARE PRESENT

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#### Language

1. **TOSSUP:** Give the Latin root and its meaning from which we derive “duel,” “bellicose,” and “belligerent.”      **ANS: BELLUM, WAR**  
    **BONUS:** Give the Latin root and its meaning from which we derive “courage,” “record,” and “cordial.”      **ANS: COR, HEART**
2. **TOSSUP:** Differentiate in meaning between the Latin verbs **servō** and **serviō**.  
    **ANS: (TO) PROTECT/SAVE, (TO) SERVE (RESPECTIVELY)**  
    **BONUS:** Different in meaning among **ver**, **hiems**, and **aestas**.  
    **ANS: SPRING, WINTER, SUMMER (RESPECTIVELY)**
3. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following sentence from Latin to English: **Incolae aegrī in agrīs laborāre nōn iam poterant.**      **ANS: THE SICK INHABITANTS WERE NO LONGER ABLE TO WORK IN THE FIELDS.**  
    **BONUS:** Now translate: **Incolae rēgnī, quamquam nūllam pecūniam habēbant, bene labōrābant.**      **ANS: THE INHABITANTS OF THE KINGDOM, ALTHOUGH THEY HAD NO MONEY, WERE WORKING WELL.**
4. **TOSSUP:** What use of the Ablative is in this sentence? **liberī magnā cum celeritāte currēbant.**      **ANS: MANNER**  
    **BONUS:** What two uses of the Ablative are in this sentence? **Aut disce dē Rōmānīs aut discēde dē lūdō.**      **ANS: OBJECT OF PREPOSITION & PLACE FROM WHERE**
5. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following sentence into English: **Hora cēnae fuit et populus aderat, sed rex solus aberat.**      **ANS: IT WAS THE HOUR/ TIME OF/FOR DINNER AND THE PEOPLE WERE PRESENT, BUT THE KING ALONE WAS ABSENT.**  
    **BONUS:** Translate: **Quod rex nunc est avis, nōn iam aderit in regiā.**  
    **ANS: BECAUSE THE KING IS NOW A BIRD, HE WILL NO LONGER BE (PRESENT) IN THE PALACE.**
6. **TOSSUP:** Welcome to the **Ipod Romānus!** Young the Giant, a great up-and-coming band, has two separate songs (with two separate English names) on their first album that can both be translated with the same Latin noun, “**Insulae**.” Given your knowledge of Latin vocabulary, what must be these two song titles?      **ANS: APARTMENT, ISLANDS**  
    **BONUS:** Young the Giant also shares a song name with another great indie band, Portugal. The Man\*, which can be translated simply as “**Undae**.” What is this song?  
    \*N.B. to the moderator, the band is called: “Portugal. The Man”  
    **ANS: WAVES**



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### Myth

1. **TOSSUP:** What disguise did Jupiter use to seduce Alcmena, the mother of Hercules? ANS: HER HUSBAND [AMPHITRYON]  
**BONUS:** What disguise did he use when courting Juno? ANS: A CUCKOO BIRD
2. **TOSSUP:** Who wrote the following plays: **Ajax, Philoctetes, Oedipus the King, Antigone**? ANS: SOPHOCLES  
**BONUS:** Who wrote the **Oresteia**, our only complete trilogy of Greek tragedies? ANS: AESCHYLUS
3. **TOSSUP:** What sort of creature was Celaeno, whom Aeneas and crew encountered at Strophades? ANS: A HARPY  
**BONUS:** What dire event does she predict will happen to Aeneas and company as a result of hunger? ANS: THEY WILL EAT THEIR TABLES.
4. **TOSSUP:** Which hero arrived in Iolcus with only one sandal? ANS: JASON  
**BONUS:** Which hero had to retrieve a pair of sandals and a sword left for him by his father from underneath a boulder? ANS: THESEUS
5. **TOSSUP:** Which of Apollo's loves cheated on him with a mortal man but was already carrying their child, Asclepius, in her womb when he shot her down? ANS: CORONIS  
**BONUS:** Which of Apollo's loves chose to marry a mortal man named Idas over him? ANS: MARPESSA
6. **TOSSUP:** Who was the son of Odysseus that journeyed to Pylos and Sparta to try to learn about his father's whereabouts? ANS: TELEMACHUS  
**BONUS:** Who was the son of Agamemnon who had to kill his mother Clytemnestra to avenge his father's murder? ANS: ORESTES
7. **TOSSUP:** Who was the Muse of love poetry? ANS: ERATO  
**BONUS:** Who was the Muse of epic poetry? ANS: CALLIOPE

### History

1. **TOSSUP:** Who was the last king of Rome, expelled from the city amidst a scandal in 510 BC? ANS: (LUSCIUS) TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS  
**BONUS:** At what battle in 496 B.C. did the Romans defeat Tarquinius Superbus, who was attempting to win back his throne, and the Latin League? ANS: LAKE REGILLUS
2. **TOSSUP:** What tribune of the people was murdered by an angry mob in 133 BC over his proposals to enact land redistribution away from wealthy plantation-holders? ANS:

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TIBERIUS (SEMPRONIUS) GRACCHUS (PROMPT FOR MORE INFORMATION IF PLAYER ANSWERS "GRACCHUS")

**BONUS:** What general, responsible for the final destruction of Carthage, was one of Tiberius Gracchus's primary political opponents?      **ANS:** (P. CORNELIUS) SCIPIO AEMELIANUS

3. **TOSSUP:** Which Ptolemaic monarch was alternately an ally and enemy of Rome's leaders until she and her Roman paramour were defeated at the Battle of Actium?    **ANS:** CLEOPATRA

**BONUS:** Who was her partner, once an ally of Julius Caesar and a member of the Second Triumvirate, who aligned himself with her against Octavian?    **ANS:** MARC ANTONY

4. **TOSSUP:** Which Julio-Claudian emperor retired to Capri later in his career due to stress?    **ANS:** TIBERIUS (CLAUDIUS NERO CAESAR)

**BONUS:** Which emperor, in an act of political theater, made Incitatus, his horse, a senator?    **ANS:** GAIUS (JULIUS CAESAR GERMANICS) / CALIGULA

5. **TOSSUP:** Who, after ruling from 222 to 235 A.D., was the last emperor of the Severan dynasty?    **ANS:** (MARCUS AURELIUS) SEVERUS ALEXANDER

**BONUS:** Who had adopted Severus Alexander as his Caesar in 221 A.D., thus marking him for succession to the throne?    **ANS:** ELEGABULUS / BASSIANUS

## Culture

1. **TOSSUP:** What garment would a young man put on for the first time at the Liberalia, during his coming-of-age ceremony?    **ANS:** TOGA VIRILIS / TOGA PURA

**BONUS:** Name the amulet or charm that was dedicated to the household gods during this ceremony:    **ANS:** BULLA

2. **TOSSUP:** Which river is farthest north? Po, Nile, Rubicon, Tiber    **ANS:** PO

**BONUS:** Today, if an action is referred to as "crossing the Rubicon," what does that suggest about the action?    **ANS:** THERE IS NO GOING BACK/IRREVOCABLE

3. **TOSSUP:** What temple in the **Forum Caesāris** was constructed by Caesar to commemorate his supposedly godly lineage?    **ANS:** TEMPLE OF VENUS GENETRIX

**BONUS:** What was the name for the small temple located in the **atrium** that house the household gods?    **ANS:** LARĀRIUM

4. **TOSSUP:** Which of the following in ancient Rome would teach **nārratiō**, **dēclāmātiō**, and **suāsōria**: **grammaticus**, **rhētor**, **lūdī magister**, **tīrō**?    **ANS:** RHĒTOR

**BONUS:** Which was in charge of teaching his students how to read, write, and analyze poetry, but in Latin and Greek?    **ANS:** GRAMMATICUS

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### FINAL ROUND

1. **TOSSUP:** Hopefully none of you are thinking seriously about college just yet. That being said, both Harvard and Yale are good, classic schools with good, classical Latin mottoes. Give both of these Latin mottoes and specify to which university they belong. **ANS:** **VĒRITĀS, HARVARD; LŪX ET VĒRITĀS, YALE**  
**BONUS:** Both of those mottoes are really quite original. Johns Hopkins University, though, is far more interesting, despite keeping to the same theme. Give the Latin and English.  
**ANS:** **VERITĀS VŌS LIBERĀBIT**, THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE  
**BONUS:** The University of Columbia also has a rather interesting motto, this time choosing something a bit more diverse, namely “**In lūmine tuō vidēbimus lūmen.**” Give the English for this motto.  
**ANS:** IN THY/YOUR LIGHT WE SHALL/WILL SEE LIGHT
2. **TOSSUP:** Spell the Latin word for the number XVII. **ANS:** **S-E-P-T-E-N-D-E-C-I-M**  
**BONUS:** Give the Latin word for the number LXX? **ANS:** **SEPTUAGINTA**  
**BONUS:** Give the Roman numerals for **SEPTUACENTĪ**. **ANS:** DCC
3. **TOSSUP:** With what dramatic action did Odysseus reveal his return to the suitors on Ithaca? **ANS:** HE SHOOTS AN ARROW THROUGH A ROW OF [TWELVE] AXES. / HE WINS THE CONTEST OF THE BOW (FOR PENELOPE’S HAND IN MARRIAGE).  
**BONUS:** Who is the ringleader of the suitors who appropriately is the first one slain?  
**ANS:** ANTINOUS  
**BONUS:** What detail about their living arrangements finally convinces Penelope that Odysseus has returned? **ANS:** THEIR BED HAD BEEN BUILT AROUND THE TRUNK OF (AN OLIVE) TREE (AND COULD NOT BE MOVED).
4. **TOSSUP:** What emperor, famous for his many construction projects, rebuilt the Pantheon, build the Temple of Venus and Roma, and established a wall across Britain? **ANS:** (PUBLIUS AELIUS) HADRIAN(US)  
**BONUS:** Whom did Hadrian name as his heir on the condition that this soon-to-be emperor adopt Marcus Aurelius and Lucius Verus as his successors? **ANS:** (TITUS AURELIUS FULVUS BOIONIUS) ANTONINUS PIUS  
**BONUS:** Hadrian also provoked the ire of several religious groups. Which religion received particularly harsh treatment from Hadrian, at least in part because of the Bar Kokhba revolt in the Middle East? **ANS:** JUDAISM
5. **TOSSUP:** Differentiate in meaning among the words **ōs** and **os**. **ANS:** MOUTH & BONE (RESPECTIVELY)  
**BONUS:** Which of the following does not belong because of meaning: **collum**, **supercilium**, **manus**, **currus**. **ANS:** **CURRUS**  
**BONUS:** Of the words **hostis**, **hospes**, **campus**, and **domus**, which is being described by this Latin sentence? **Est homo quī suīs amicīs multum vīnum dat.**

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ANS: **HOSPES**

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6. **TOSSUP:** What was the term given to the slave-dealers in ancient Rome? ANS:

**MANGŌNĒS**

**BONUS:** What was done to the feet of newly-arrived slaves before they were sold?

ANS: WHITENED WITH CHALK

**BONUS:** If a slave had FUG branded on his forehead, what did that indicate about the slave? ANS: HE HAD TRIED TO RUN AWAY / FUG = **FUGITIVUS**

7. **TOSSUP:** Translate the following Latin sentence into English: **Deī apud Philemōnem Baucemque diū manēbant.** ANS: THE GODS STAYED AT PHILEMON AND BAUCIS' HOUSE/ AMONG P & B FOR A LONG TIME.

**BONUS:** Translate: **Deī narrāvērunt veteribus fābulam in quā non deī sed pauperēs fuērunt.** ANS: THE GODS TOLD THE OLD PEOPLE A STORY IN WHICH THEY WERE NOT GODS BUT POOR PEOPLE.

**BONUS:** Translate: **Veterēs rogāvērunt, “Unde vēnistis? Quō istis? Quī estis?”**

ANS: THE OLD PEOPLE ASKED, “WHENCE CAME YOU/ WHERE DID YOU COME FROM? WHITHER ARE YOU GOING/ TO WHERE ARE YOU GOING? WHO ARE YOU?”

8. **TOSSUP:** Which of these was **not** a child of Echidna: Cerberus, Orthrus, Typhon, Hydra, Chimera? ANS: TYPHON

**BONUS:** Who was the mother of Typhon? ANS: GAIA

**BONUS:** How were the Giants of the Gigantomachy created? ANS: FROM DROPS OF OURANOS'S BLOOD [FALLING ON GAIA WHEN CRONUS CASTRATED OURANOS WITH A SICKLE]

9. **TOSSUP:** Give the third person plural, future, active indicative for the verb **nūntiō**. ANS: **NŪNTIĀBUNT**

**BONUS:** Give the same form for **pūniō**. ANS: **PŪNIENT**

**BONUS:** Give the same form for **tollō**. ANS: **TOLLENT**

10. **TOSSUP:** Where did the Romans win their first naval battle ever against the Carthaginians in 260 B.C.? ANS: MYLAE

**BONUS:** The Romans also won the decisive battle of the First Punic War in a naval engagement in 241 B.C. Where was this battle? ANS: AEGATES ISLANDS

**BONUS:** Who was the Roman commander in this battle? ANS: (GAIUS LUTATIUS) CATULUS

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11. **TOSSUP:** Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice, and answer in ENGLISH the question that follows.

**Vir mihi par deō esse vidētur. Ille, si fas est, superāre divōs vidētur, ille quī, quod prope tē sedet, tē laetam spectat et audit. Hoc vidēre omnēs meōs sensūs eripit. Miser sum, nam ubi te, Lesbia, aspiciō, nec cantāre nec putāre nōn possum. Heu, miser sum!**  
(repeat)

The question: What TWO things can the speaker not do when he looks at Lesbia? **ANS:** (HE CAN) NEITHER SING NOR THINK

**BONUS:** Articulate two of the ways the speaker describes the other man throughout the passage. **ANS:** (any two of:) HE SEEMS EQUAL TO A GOD / SEEMS TO SURPASS THE GODS/SITTING NEAR LESBIA / WATCHING LESBIA / LISTENING TO LESBIA

**BONUS:** What happens to the speaker when he sees Lesbia with the other man? **ANS:** ALL OF HIS SENSES ARE TAKEN AWAY (OR SOME CLOSE VARIANT)

12. **TOSSUP:** In Book III of the *Iliad*, Menelaus basically defeats Paris in a duel, but what deity saves Paris by whisking him off to safety? **ANS:** APHRODITE

**BONUS:** Who shortly after this duel is prompted by the goddess Athena to break the truce between the Greeks and Trojans by shooting Menelaus with an arrow? **ANS:** PANDARUS

**BONUS:** Menelaus later kills what son of Priam who married Helen after the death of Paris? **ANS:** DEIPHOBUS

13. **TOSSUP:** What case and use is the word “farmer” in the following Latin sentence? **Mittite, agricolae, vestrōs puerōs ad agrōs!** **ANS:** VOCATIVE, DIRECT ADDRESS

**BONUS:** What case and use is the word “me” in the following Latin sentence? **Da mihi rāmum aureum!** **ANS:** DATIVE, INDIRECT OBJECT

**BONUS:** What case and use is “shield” in the following Latin sentence? **Fer ad mē, amice, scūta nova.** **ANS:** ACCUSATIVE, DIRECT OBJECT

14. **TOSSUP:** Give the Latin and English for the common derivational root of all the following foods: “sausage,” “salami,” and “salsa.” **ANS:** **SAL**, SALT/WIT

**BONUS:** What English word for “fixed compensation” suggests how the ancient Romans valued the ability to purchase salt? **ANS:** SALARY

**BONUS:** What is the meaning of the Latin verb at the root of the words “salient” and “sally”? **ANS:** JUMP/LEAP

15. **TOSSUP:** In what year did Pompey and Crassus first serve as consuls together? **ANS:** 70 B.C.

**BONUS:** When did they next serve together as consuls? **ANS:** 55 B.C.

**BONUS:** In what year did the senate make Pompey sole consul? **ANS:** 52 B.C.

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16. **TOSSUP:** A column in Rome with a spiral frieze commemorates whose defeat of the Dacians? **ANS:** TRAJAN'S  
**BONUS:** Whose arch commemorates his sack of the temple of Jerusalem? **ANS:** TITUS  
**BONUS:** The Rostra was the Speaker's Platform, but why was it called that? **ANS:** IT WAS DECORATED WITH THE BRONZE PROWS/BEAKS OF CAPTURED ENEMY SHIPS
17. **TOSSUP:** Say in Latin: "Romulus' men wanted to build a wall around the town."  
**ANS:** VIRĪ/HOMINĒS RŌMULĪ MŪRUM CIRCUM OPPIDUM AEDIFICĀRE VOLUĒRUNT/ ... VOLĒBANT/ CUPĪĒBANT/ CUPĪVĒRUNT  
**BONUS:** Say in Latin: "It was necessary for Romulus' men to build a wall."  
**ANS:** NECESSE ERAT VIRĪS/HOMINIBUS RŌMULĪ AEDIFICĀRE MŪRUM  
**BONUS:** Say in Latin: "Don't jump over my wall, Remus."  
**ANS:** NŌLĪ SALĪRE SUPER MEUM MŪRUM, REME
18. **TOSSUP:** Who was the last emperor of the Western Roman Empire? **ANS:** ROMULUS AUGUSTULUS  
**BONUS:** When was he deposed? **ANS:** AD 476  
**BONUS:** Who was the last emperor of the combined Roman Empire until his death in 395 A.D. when he split the empire and left half to each of his two sons? **ANS:** THEODOSIUS (I/THE GREAT)
19. **TOSSUP:** Who was the dragon that guarded the tree that grew the apples of the Hesperides? **ANS:** LADON  
**BONUS:** Who was the father of the Hesperides? **ANS:** ATLAS  
**BONUS:** After he was slain by Hercules, Ladon became what constellation?  
**ANS:** DRACO

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20. **TOSSUP:** When recognized, perform the following commands: **Dīcens nōmen tuum, errā circum camerām.** **ANS:** STUDENT SHOULD WANDER AROUND THE ROOM SAYING HIS/HER NAME  
**BONUS:** Now perform these commands: **Rapite, omnēs sociī, manūs et saltāte laete.**  
**ANS:** ALL TEAMMATES SHOULD GRAB HANDS AND DANCE HAPPILY  
**BONUS:** Now perform this command: **Dīc mihi Anglicē Virginiām optimām civitātem linguā Latīnā esse.** **ANS:** ONE STUDENT MUST TELL MODERATOR IN ENGLISH THAT VIRGINIA IS THE BEST STATE AT/WITH RESPECT TO LATIN

### \*FINAL SCORE UPDATE\*



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**OVERTIME: Only use in the event of a tie, which should be broken by simple mathematical majority.**

1. **TOSSUP:** Translate, using the word **eum** to mean “him”: **Rex, nōmine Picus, aberat quod Circe eum in avem mūtāvit.**      **ANS: THE KING, NAMED PICUS, WAS ABSENT BECAUSE CIRCE CHANGED HIM INTO A BIRD**
2. **TOSSUP:** Tiberius nearly fell victim to a plot against him by his longtime friend and confidant Sejanus. What was Sejanus's official position under Tiberius?      **ANS: CAPTAIN OF THE PRAETORIAN GUARD**
3. **TOSSUP:** What hero survives the Calydonian Boar Hunt, only to have his life snuffed out by his mother after a quarrel in which he slays his uncles? **ANS: MELEAGER**
4. **TOSSUP:** Etymologically speaking, if you were to fly somewhere on the Prime Meridian, where (or when) might you say you are?      **ANS: THE FIRST MIDDAY/NOON**
5. **TOSSUP:** Distinguish the occasions on which a Roman would wear the **toga picta** and the **toga candida**. **ANS: TOGA PICTA = WORN BY VICTORIOUS GENERALS/IN A TRIUMPHAL PROCESSION VS. A TOGA CANDIDA = WORN BY POLITICAL CANDIDATES/DURING THE CAMPAIGN FOR AN PUBLICLY ELECTED OFFICE**

**DOUBLE-OVERTIME: Only use in the event of a second tie, which should be broken by simple mathematical majority.**

1. **TOSSUP:** Which emperor, during the period of military anarchy, was a former praetorian prefect until he assassinated Gordian the III and took over the throne? He is perhaps best remembered now as the emperor who led the one-thousandth-anniversary celebration of the founding of Rome. **ANS: PHILIP THE ARAB / PHILIP (I) / (MARCUS JULIUS) PHILIPPUS**
2. **TOSSUP:** Who wrestled the river-god Achelous for the hand of his bride Deianira? **ANS: HERACLES**
3. **TOSSUP:** What use of the ablative is found in the following Latin sentence? **liberī quibuscum parentēs currēbant erant perterritī.**      **ANS: ACCOMPANIMENT**

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4. **TOSSUP:** Sometimes masters allowed slaves certain liberties, including the right to certain ownerships. What was the name for a slave's slave?      **ANS: VICĀRIUS**
5. **TOSSUP:** When recognized, perform the following command: **surge et ululā quasi tū es lupus sub lūna plēnā.** **ANS: PLAYER STANDS AND HOWLS LIKE A WOLF (BENEATH A FULL MOON)**

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