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Round C1

- I. What deity had an oracle at Delphi?
 APOLLO or THEMIS or GAIA
- Who was Apollo's twin sister? ARTEMIS/DIANA
 On what island were these twins born? DELOS
- II. What was the name given to the bundle of rods enclosing
 an axe and carried by attendants as a symbol of
 authority?
 FASCES
- What attendants carried an official's **fasces**?
- LICTORES
- What were the rods called? VIRGAE
- III. What case's most basic use is as the indirect object?
 DATIVE
- What case goes with the prepositions **in** and **sub** when they
 show no motion? ABLATIVE
- What case goes with prepositions that show motion away
 from? ABLATIVE
- IV. Name the members of the First Triumvirate.
 CAESAR, POMPEY, CRASSUS
- In what year was the triumvirate formed? 60BC
 To what office was Caesar elected for 59BC? CONSULSHIP
- V. Change **pellitis** to singular. PELLIS
- Change **pellis** to passive. PELLERIS
 Change **pelleris** to future. PELLĒRIS
- VI. Name a labor of Heracles in which he has to kill a
 creature.
 THE HYDRA or THE NEMEAN LION

Name the other.

Name a labor in which he had to bring Eurystheus an inanimate object. HIPPOLYTE'S GIRDLE, GOLDEN APPLES

VII. What was the common adventure of Tiphys, Lynceus, Orpheus, Castor, Zetes and Calais?

THEY WERE ALL ARGONAUTS

Of what city was Jason the rightful king? IOLCUS

Who told Jason how to avoid the Symplegades?

PHINEUS

VIII. What would a Roman mean if he said **Tempestas bona est**?
THE WEATHER IS NICE

How would he in one word say, "It's raining"? PLUIT
How would he in one word say, "It's snowing"? NINGIT

IX. What sign of the Zodiac is Aries? RAM

What is the Bull? TAURUS
What are the Fish? PISCES

X. What two Greek leaders at Troy were brothers who had
married sisters?
MENALAUS AND AGAMEMNON

Who was the wife of Menelaus? HELEN
Who was the wife of Agamemnon? CLYTEMNESTRA

XI. The rape of what woman precipitated the end of the
C&S Roman monarchy?
p55 LUCRETIA

Who raped her? SEXTUS TARQUINIUS
Who was her husband? TARQUINIUS COLLATINUS

XII. Who opened Pandora's box? PANDORA

What was finally left in it? HOPE
Who was Pandora's husband? EPIMETHEUS

XIII. Who was Rome's first Christian emperor? CONSTANTINE

What Latin phrase supposedly appeared to Constantine,
assuring him victory? IN HOC SIGNO VINCES
Constantine became emperor early in what century?
THE FOURTH CENTURY AD

XIV. Who was the first emperor of Rome? AUGUSTUS

After what naval battle did Augustus emerge as the sole
power in Rome? ACTIUM
What was the year of the Battle of Actium? 31BC

XV.

Translate: **Stamus in valle.**

WE ARE STANDING IN THE VALLEY

Translate: **Stamus in vallo.**

WE ARE STANDING ON THE WALL/RAMPART.

Translate: **Stetimus in colle.**

WE STOOD ON THE HILL.

XVI. What Latin noun with what meaning is the root of the English verb "decapitate"?

CAPUT = HEAD

What word for the headings in a book comes from **caput**?

CHAPTERS

What derivative means the upper-case form of letters?

CAPITAL(IZED)

XVII. What Latin noun means "forest"? SILVA

What Latin noun means "sand"? ARENA/HARENA

What Latin noun means "tree"? ARBOR

XVIII. What does the English adjective "omniscient" mean?

ALL-KNOWING

What does "omnipotent" mean? ALL-POWERFUL

What does "omnivorous" mean?

ALL-DEVOURING, ALL-EATING

XIX. Change **ventus** to dative. VENTO

Change **vento** to plural. VENTIS

Change **ventis** to accusative. VENTOS

XX. What case would follow the adjective **memor**?

GENITIVE

What case would follow the adjective **idoneus**?

DATIVE

What case would follow the adjective **peritus**?

ABLATIVE OR GENITIVE

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Round C2

- I. Spell the case which is abbreviated gen.
G-E-N-I-T-I-V-E
- What case is abbreviated loc.? LOCATIVE
What case is abbreviated dat.? DATIVE
- II. Name two labors of Heracles in which he has to bring
his quarry back alive to Eurystheus.
CERYNITIAN HIND, ERYMANTHIAN BOAR, CERBERUS,
MARES OF DIOMEDES, CATTLE OF GERYON, CRETAN BULL
- Name two more.
Name two more.
- III. **Quot oculi tibi sunt?** DUO
Quot bracchia tibi sunt? DUO
Quot aures tibi sunt? DUAE
- IV. What is an antonym of **mors**? VITA/NATUS
What is an antonym of **mare**? TERRA/HUMUS/CAELUM
What is an antonym of **mitto**? RECIPIO/REVOCO
- V. What English adjective describes patients that can walk?
AMBULATORY
- What derivative of **scribo** means "write about"?
DESCRIBE
What derivative of **scribo** means "write on"?
INSCRIBE
- VI. What companion of Aeneas shared the name of Aeneas'
grandfather?
CAPYS
- What Italian city did he found? CAPUA
What had he told the Trojans to do with the Trojan Horse?

BURN IT or PUSH IT INTO THE SEA

VII. Who murdered Servius Tullius?
TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS

At whose instigation? TULLIA'S
How did she mistreat her father's body?
DROVE HER CHARIOT OVER IT

- VIII. Translate: **Milites qui caesi sunt fortiter pugnabant.**
THE SOLDIERS WHO WERE KILLED FOUGHT BRAVELY.

Translate: "We have found the wives of the soldiers."

UXORES MILITUM INVĒNIMUS

Translate: "We must save the lives of all the children."

VITAE OMNIUM LIBERORUM NOBIS SERVANDAE SUNT.

VITAS OMNIUM LIBERORUM SERVARE DEBEMUS.

VITAS OMNIUM LIBERORUM NOBIS SERVARE NECESSE EST.

VITAS OMNIUM LIBERORUM NOS SERVARE OPORTET.

- IX. To "exculpate" someone is to free him of what?

GUILT

"Exonerate" is a synonym; what is literally removed from someone exonerated? A BURDEN

This might happen because a jury deliberated. Based on that word's literal meaning, what was the jury doing?

WEIGHING THE FACTS, THE EVIDENCE, ETC.

- X. Who was the uninvited guest at the wedding of Peleus and Thetis?

ERIS/DISCORDIA

What did she bring with her?

A GOLDEN APPLE MARKED "FOR THE FAIREST"

Who was the son of Peleus and Thetis? ACHILLES

- XI. What dynasty began with the emperor Vespasian?

THE FLAVIAN

What relation was Titus, Vespasian's immediate successor, to his successor Domitian?

BROTHER (BOTH WERE VESPASIAN'S SONS)

Vespasian began his reign in 69AD. How many other emperors had there been that year? THREE

- XII. What Roman general defeated the Carthaginians to end the Second Punic War?

P. CORNELIUS **SCIPIO AFRICANUS** MAJOR

Where was this battle in 202BC? ZAMA

Whose life is Scipio said to have saved at the Battle of

Ticinus? HIS FATHER'S

XIII. What noun related to the verb **rego** means "queen"?
 REGINA

What related noun means "palace"? REGIA
What related noun means "kingdom"? REGNUM

- XIV. Name a month in which the Ides fall on the thirteenth.
JANUARY, FEBRUARY, APRIL, JUNE, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER,
NOVEMBER, DECEMBER
- Name another.
Name another.
- XV. Change **luporum** to nominative. LUPI
- Change **lupi** to ablative. LUPIS
Change **lupis** to singular. LUPO
- XVI. Against what troublesome foreign king were these Romans
all sent: Sulla, Lucullus, Pompey?
MITHRIDATES VI
- Of what country was Mithridates king? PONTUS
What law gave Pompey this command? LEX MANILIA
- XVII. What case would follow the adjective **cupidus**?
GENITIVE
- What case would follow the adjective **dignus**?
ABLATIVE (GENITIVE)
What case would follow the adjective **plenus**?
ABLATIVE (GENITIVE)
- XVIII. Change **possumus** to second person. POTESIS
- Change **potestis** to third person. POSSUNT
Change **possunt** to singular. POTESIS
- XIX. Who was Zeus' oldest sister? HESTIA
- Who was his youngest sister, but still older than he?
HERA
Who was his oldest brother, but still younger than
their three sisters? HADES
- XX. What nymph detained Odysseus for seven years?
CALYPSO
- Who was Odysseus' patient wife? PENELOPE

What was Odysseus' island kingdom? ITHACA

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Round C3

- I. How many people traditionally attended a full-sized Roman dinner party?

NINE

How many couches were they on? THREE
What was the room called? TRICLINIUM

- II. What Latin noun for "mound" or "defensive earthwork" is the root of an English verb for "overstate" or "stretch the truth"?

AGGER (spell)

Spell the English verb. E X A G G E R A T E
What Latin verb is the root of **agger**? GERO

- III. What is an antonym of **parvus**? MAGNUS

What is an antonym of **lentus**? CELER/RAPIDUS/VELOX
What is an antonym of **citra**? TRANS/ULTRA

- IV. What are **hiberna**? (AN ARMY'S) WINTER QUARTERS

What is the root noun that means "winter"? HIEMS
What is the antonym of **hiems**? AESTAS

- V. What office was created in 443BC to maintain the roll of citizens?

CENSOR

How many censors were elected to serve each term?
TWO
What was the term of office for censors? EIGHTEEN MONTHS

- VI. Translate: "My teacher is here with me."
MEUS MAGISTER MECUM ADEST. (or MEA MAGISTRA)

Translate: **Nos quattuor amici sumus.**

WE FOUR ARE FRIENDS.

Translate: "We have learned the Latin language well."
LATINAM LINGUAM BENE DIDICIMUS/NOVIMUS.

- VII. What English noun familiar to farmers comes from **traho**?
TRACTOR
What Latin verb meaning "plow" gives us "arable"? ARO
What Latin noun with what meaning is the root of
agricola? AGER = FIELD, FARM

VIII. Who was the boatman who carried the souls of the dead across the Styx?

CHARON

What was the region of Hades for virtuous souls?

THE ELYSIAN FIELDS

What was the region for the wicked? TARTARUS

IX. What deity punished Ino and Athamas with madness?

HERA

What had they done to offend her? **THEY SHELTERED**

DIONYSUS, SON OF SEMELE, INO'S SISTER

How did Athamas' madness manifest itself?

HE SHOT AND KILLED HIS SON LEARCHUS

X. What lover in mythology turned the mulberry red with his blood?

PYRAMUS

From whose blood sprang the anemone? ADONIS

What youth was killed by a discus thrown by Apollo

and was turned by the grief-stricken god into a flower?

HYACINTHUS

XI. Which of the following was not an emperor: Caligula, Claudius, Germanicus, Tiberius?

GERMANICUS

What was the relationship of Germanicus to Claudius?

BROTHER

What was the relationship of Germanicus to Caligula?

FATHER

XII. What two groups of brothers fought each other during the war between the Romans and the Albans?

THE HORATII AND THE CURIATII

During whose reign was the city of Alba Longa destroyed?

TULLUS HOSTILIUS

How did the Romans execute Mettius Fufetius, the king of the Albans? TIED HIM BETWEEN TWO CHARIOTS AND...

XIII. Change **vixerat** to present. VIVIT
 Change **vivit** to plural. VIVUNT
 Change **vivunt** to future perfect. VIXERINT

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- XIV. In which declensions can you find masculine nouns?
ALL FIVE
- In which declensions can you find feminine nouns?
ALL FIVE
- In which declensions can you find neuter nouns?
SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH
- XV. What Latin phrase with what meaning is abbreviated
p.a.?
PER ANNUM
- What Latin phrase is abbreviated h.a.?
HOC ANNO
- What Latin phrase is abbreviated p.d.?
PER DIEM
- XVI. Name a mood in which you find Latin verbs.
INDICATIVE, IMPERATIVE, INFINITIVE, SUBJUNCTIVE
- Name another.
Name another.
- XVII. Who led the Myrmidons at Troy? ACHILLES
- From what creatures had the Myrmidons sprung? ANTS
- Who prayed for the repopulation of his island Aegina
and received as an answer this transformation?
KING AEACUS
- XVIII. Who made the first lyre? HERMES/MERCURY
- What did he use for a frame? TURTLE SHELL
- To whom did he give the lyre? APOLLO
- XIX. In what two years were Pompey and Crassus co-consuls?
70BC AND 55BC
- In what year was Pompey sole consul? 52BC
- What province was he given at the time of his second
consulate? SPAIN
- XX. Change **spes** to accusative singular. SPEM

Change **spem** to genitive.
Change **spei** to ablative.

SPEI
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Round C10

- I. What son of Poseidon blew a conch shell trumpet?
TRITON
- Whom did he direct out of a lake in Africa?
JASON or THE ARGONAUTS
- A clod of earth he gave them later became what?
THE ISLAND OF THERA (CALLISTE)
- II. Change the verb form **regis** to plural. REGITIS
- Change the noun form **regis** to plural. REGUM
- Change **regis** to perfect. REXISTI
- III. What Spartan mercenary was instrumental in Carthaginian success against Rome in the First Punic War?
XANTHIPPIUS
- Who was the defeated Roman general? REGULUS
- What was the year of Regulus' defeat in Africa?
255BC
- IV. Change **pater** to dative. PATRI
- Change **patri** to plural. PATRIBUS
- Change **patribus** to genitive. PATRUM
- V. What lay at the center of a Roman **castra**?
PRAETORIUM (general's tent, staff tent)
- In a permanent camp, the praetorium became the general's quarters. What was the name of the headquarters tent?
PRINCIPIA
- What was the principal road through camp? VIA PRINCIPALIS
- VI. What is the difference between a deponent and a semi-deponent verb?
DEPONENT = ENTIRELY PASSIVE IN FORM, ACTIVE IN MEANING
SEMI-DEPONENT = DEPONENT IN PERFECT SYSTEM ONLY

What is a defective verb? ONE MISSING ANY FORMS -
OFTEN USED TO MEAN MISSING ENTIRE PRESENT SYSTEM
Give an example of a reduplicated perfect?
DIDICI, SPOPONDI, FEFELLI, PEPERI, ETC.

Round C10, Page 2

- VII. What Latin noun is the root of "ounce"? UNCIA
- What Latin noun is the root of "pound"? PONDUS
- What Latin verb is the root of "pint"? PINGO
- VIII. What hero was sent to find the Golden Fleece? JASON
- What sorceress aided him? MEDEA
- Name the ship he sailed on. ARGO
- IX. What god invented the lute or cithara? APOLLO
- What satyr foolishly challenged Apollo to a competition
 in music? MARSYAS
- What was Marsyas' instrument? FLUTE
- X. To what kingdom did Paris have to go to fetch Helen?
 SPARTA
- Who was the king? MENELAUS
- Where was Menelaus' brother Agamemnon king? MYCENAE
- XI. What Latin noun with what meaning is the root of
 "donate"? DONUM = GIFT
- What verb is the most basic root of "captivate"? CAPIO
- Name and define the verb at the root of "derogatory"? ROGO = ASK
- XII. How must a relative pronoun agree with its antecedent?
 GENDER AND NUMBER
- What determines its case? ITS USE IN ITS OWN CLAUSE
- What is the process by which it sometimes shares its
 antecedent's case despite its function within its own
 clause? CASE BY ATTRACTION
- XIII. **Surge et stans in uno pede iunge manus super caput.**
 PLAYER SHOULD STAND ON ONE FOOT AND CLASP HANDS ABOVE
 (OR ON TOP OF) HIS/HER HEAD.

Surgite, omnes, et ponite manus sub mentis.

WHOLE TEAM SHOULD STAND AND PUT HANDS BENEATH THEIR CHINS.

Dux, tene umeros socii tui. CAPTAIN SHOULD GRAB THE SHOULDERS OF A TEAMMATE.

- XIV. Who was the ringleader of a conspiracy to assassinate Nero which led to the deaths of prominent authors?

GAIUS CALPURNIUS **PISO**

Who was commander of Gallia Lugdunensis who began a rebellion against Nero? **VINDEX**

Who led the army that crushed Vindex' rebellion?

LUCIUS VERGINIUS RUFUS

- XV. What animals carried Dionysus across a river and were placed in the heavens as constellations?

ASSES

What further reward did the god give to one of them?

SPEECH

What deity, offended by something the ass said, killed the talking mule? **PRIAPUS**

- XVI. Rome's hills traditionally numbered how many? **SEVEN**

Do they all lie on the same side of the Tiber? **YES**

What bank is it - east or west? **EAST**

- XVII. Which of these verbs is not in the same conjugation as the others: **monstro, amo, fluo, voco?**

FLUO

Which of these nouns is not of the same gender as the others: **filia, arma, aqua, laurus?** **ARMA**

Which of these adjectives does not drop the **-e-** in its stem: **noster, miser, pulcher, piger?** **MISER**

- XVIII. What member of the First Triumvirate was the richest man in town?

CRASSUS

Where did Crassus die? **THE BATTLE OF CARRHAE (PARTHIA)**

Who was offered but did not take the spot on the triumvirate that went to Crassus? **CICERO**

- XIX. What Latin word is abbreviated **vs.**?

VERSUS

What Latin phrase is abbreviated **ad loc.**? AD LOCUM
What Latin phrase is abbreviated **ad val.**? AD VALOREM

XX. Marcus has gotten a 50 on his vocabulary quiz. What symbol is written on the top of his wax tablet?

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What is the Latin word for "fifty"? QUINQUAGINTA
What is the abbreviation for five hundred? D

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I. LANGUAGE

1. What declension is marked by the genitive singular ending **-is**?
THE THIRD
2. Change **audīs** to passive. **AUDĪRIS**
3. What is the antonym of **odium**? AMOR
4. What is the genitive plural of **senex**? SENUM
5. **Monstra mihi tuum collum.** PLAYER SHOULD POINT TO HIS NECK
6. Distinguish in meaning between the adjectives **novus** and **novem**.
NOVUS = NEW NOVEM = NINE
7. What case is abbreviated abl.? ABLATIVE
8. What case is used for the noun of direct address? VOCATIVE
9. What Latin noun with what meaning is the root of "anniversary"?
ANNUS = YEAR
10. What Latin verb with what meaning is the root of
"meritorious"? MEREIO/MEREOR = EARN, DESERVE
11. What is the vocative singular of **socius**? SOCI
12. What do you share with a comrade, based on the word's
etymology? A ROOM
13. **Quot colla vobis omnibus sunt?** QUATTUOR
14. Change **vehes** to perfect. VEXISTI

II. MYTHOLOGY

1. What maiden's kidnapping led to the seasons? PERSEPHONE'S
2. Who solved the Sphinx' riddle? OEDIPUS
3. What god ruled the Underworld? HADES
4. Who was Heracles' nephew and companion? IOLAUS
5. Whom did Jason carry across a stream?
THE DISGUISED HERA/JUNO
6. In what form did the god Aesculapius come to Rome? SNAKE

III. HISTORY

1. What river divides Latium from Etruria? THE TIBER
2. Who was Hannibal's brother? HASDRUBAL or MAGO
3. What was the toga worn by preteen boys? TOGA PRAETEXTA
4. Where did Caesar say, "The die is cast"? AT THE RUBICON
5. What trusted associate of Augustus was the father of Tiberius'
first wife? M. VIPSANIUS AGRIPPA
6. Who was a son-in-law first of Agrippa and then of Augustus?

TIBERIUS

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Round C100

- I. For adultery with whom did Pompey divorce his wife Mucia?
JULIUS CAESAR
- Who was the father of his next wife? JULIUS CAESAR
Who was the stepfather of his first wife? SULLA
- II. (Moderator holds up three fingers.) **Quot digitos tollo?**
TRES (DIGITOS TOLLIS)
- (Moderator holds up thumb.) **Quod nomen huic est?**
POLLEX (ILLI EST NOMEN)
(Moderator makes a fist.) **Quod nomen huic est?**
PUGNUS (ILLI EST NOMEN)
- III. Name a member of the Trojan royal house who was
slain by Pyrrhus.
PRIAM, POLITES, POLYXENA, ASTYANAX, EURYPYLUS
- Name another.
Name another.
- IV. Translate: "There's a very big circus in Rome."
EST CIRCUS MAXIMUS ROMAE.
- Translate: "We have seen the river in the city."
FLUMEN/FLUVIUM IN URBE VIDIMUS.
- Translate: "Have you seen the aqueducts of the Romans?"
AQUASNE ROMANORUM VIDISTI?
- V. What would a slave called a **ciniflo** do?
ARRANGE A LADY'S HAIR
- What would an **anteambulo** do? PRECEDE HIS OWNER THROUGH
THE STREET TO CLEAR THE WAY
What was a child's nurse called? NUTRIX
- VI. What god personifies the river that flows around the
earth?

OCEANUS

Who was Oceanus' sister and mate? TETHYS

To what race of divinities did they belong? TITANS

- VII. Several of the elements show that when their names were being abbreviated, the scientists knew their Latin. What element's chemical symbol is Pb?

LEAD

What was the Latin name? PLUMBUM

Give the Latin and the English for the element Fe.

FERRUM = IRON

- VIII. Which of the Julio-Claudians was oldest at the time of his accession?

TIBERIUS (b. 42BC, acceded 9/14AD by Senate proclamation)

Which one was made emperor at the age of 16? NERO

Which one was made emperor at the age of 24? CALIGULA

- IX. Who murdered the son of his brother Numitor? AMULIUS

Who was Amulius' and Numitor's father? SILVIUS PROCA

Who was Numitor's daughter? RHEA SILVIA

- X. What war ended with the Battle of the Aegates Islands?

THE FIRST PUNIC WAR

What was the year of the battle? 241BC

What three major islands did Rome gain control of as a result of her victory? SICILY, SARDINIA AND CORSICA

- XI. Who was told to carry an oar on his shoulder until someone mistook it for something else?

ODYSSEUS

What was his oar mistaken for? A WINNOWING FAN

The seer Tiresias in Hades gave Odysseus this advice.

What would happen if Odysseus followed Tiresias' odd instructions? HE WOULD LIVE TO RIPE OLD AGE

- XII. What monster had a hundred snake heads, each one with a voice?

TYPHOEUS/TYPHON

What six-headed monster had dogs' heads at the waist?

SCYLLA

What monster had a woman's head and a lion's body?
THE SPHINX

XIII. Make the adjective **niger** agree with **dentis**.
NIGRI DENTIS

Make the adjective **laetus** agree with **nautas**. LAETOS
Make the adjective **liber** agree with **militem**. LIBERUM

XIV. What Latin verb is the root of both "overt" and "covert"?
APERIO

What brunch dish comes by way of French from **lamella**,
meaning "a little plate"? OMELET

What Latin noun is the root of "pageant"? PAGINA

XV. What part of your body literally means "little mouse"?
MUSCLE

What muscle's name means "two-headed"? BICEPS

What shape are your deltoid muscles? TRIANGULAR

XVI. What Latin idiom means "as soon as possible"?
QUAM PRIMUM

What means "as kindly as possible"? QUAM BENIGNISSIME

Translate "as many words as possible."

QUAM PLURIMA VERBA

XVII. The Latin idioms **signa ferre** and **pedem referre** are
antonyms. What do they mean?

SIGNA FERRE = ADVANCE PEDEM REFERRE = RETREAT

What are the Latin antonymous idioms for "pitch camp"
and "break camp"? CASTRA PONERE AND CASTRA MOVERE

What are the Latin antonymous idioms for "at sunrise"
and "at sunset"? PRIMĀ LUCE AND SOLIS OCCASU

XVIII. What Roman maiden betrayed the city to a besieging army?
TARPEIA

Who were the enemy? THE SABINES

What did she ask for in return?

WHAT THEY WORE ON THEIR ARMS

XIX. What is the use of the ablative in this sentence: **Caesar
erat felicior Pompeio?**

ABLATIVE OF COMPARISON

In this: **Paucis annis Theseus saxum movebit?**

ABLATIVE OF TIME (or TIME WITHIN WHICH)

In this: **Galba interfecto, novus imperator electus est?**

ABLATIVE ABSOLUTE

XX. What case would be required for "father" in this sentence: "I was merciful to my father's enemies"?

GENITIVE

What case would "enemies" be in? DATIVE

What use of the dative is that? DATIVE WITH SPECIAL VERB