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Round 1

1. At what battle off the coast of Sicily did Lutatius Catulus defeat the Carthaginian fleet and effectively end the First Punic War?

AEGATES ISLAND

B1 At which nearby port city had Claudius Pulcher lost terribly in 249 BC after ignoring the unfavorable omen of the sacred chickens?

DREPANUM / DREPANA

B2 Which other western port city, near Drepanum, was besieged unsuccessfully by Atilius Regulus in 250 BC but finally fell to Catulus after the victory at the Aegates Islands?

LILYBAEUM
2. When recognized, perform the following commands. **Stā, tolle pugnum, et contrā hostēs bellum nuntiāre.**

PLAYER SHOULD STAND, RAISE A FIST, AND DECLARE WAR  
AGAINST THEIR OPPONENTS / AN ENEMY

B1 Now perform this command: **Omnēs quīnquiēns latrāte velut canēs.**

ALL PLAYERS SHOULD BARK LIKE DOGS FIVE TIMES

B2 Now perform this command: **Omnēs stāntēs in sellīs, clamāte, “Nōn potestis hoc tangere!”**

ALL PLAYERS, STANDING ON THEIR CHAIRS, SHOULD YELL,  
“YOU CAN’T TOUCH THIS!”
3. **“Sīquis in hōc artem populō nōn nōvit amandī, hoc legat et lectō carmine doctus amet.”**

These words begin what didactic elegaic work written by Ovid circa 1 BC, which teaches the arts of seducing and keeping a lover?

ARS AMATORIA

B1 How many books comprise the **Ars Amatoria**?

THREE

B2 Which book of the **Ars Amatoria** is directed entirely to women?

THREE
4. What mother of Euneus and Nebrophonus and queen of Lemnos was seduced by Jason?

HYPsipyle

B1 The women of Lemnos were famous for their androcide, or their murder of all the men on the island. Hypsipyle, however, secretly spared her father from this fate. What was his name?

THOAS

B2 When Hypsipyle’s secret was discovered, she was forced to flee from Lemnos and was captured by pirates. To what king of Nemea was she thereafter sold?

LYCURGUS
5. What derivative of the Latin noun **sol** refers to the biannual period at which the sun reaches its greatest distance from the equator?

SOLSTICE

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B1 What derivative of **sol** is a lightweight umbrella used as a sunshade?

PARASOL

B2 What derivative of the Latin verb **soleō** is an adjective describing something which is no longer in general use?

OBSOLETE

6. Differentiate in meaning between the verbs **natō** and **nuō**.

NATŌ – SWIM

NUŌ – NOD

B1 Differentiate in meaning between the nouns **rīma** and **rixa**.

RĪMA – CLEFT / CRACK / FISSURE

RIXA – QUARREL / BRAWL / DISPUTE

B2 Differentiate in meaning between **calidus** with one ‘L’ and **callidus** with two ‘L’s.’

CALIDUS – WARM / HOT

CALLIDUS – SHREWD / EXPERIENCED / CRAFTY / CLEVER / ETC.

7. What **novus homo** and native of Amiternum was a follower of Julius Caesar and a governor of Africa Nova, but is best known for writing historical monographs like *Bellum Jugurthinum* and *Bellum Catilinae*?

SALLUST

B1 As governor of Africa Nova, Sallust extorted huge amounts of money, which he later put to use in the creation of what landmark on the Quirinal Hill?

(PLEASURE) GARDENS / THE GARDENS OF SALLUST / **HORTI SALLUSTIANI**

B2 What work of Cicero served as the primary source for much of Sallust’s *Bellum Catilinae*?

DE CONSULATU SUO

8. Using two datives translate into Latin: The wall is a hindrance to the soldiers.

**MURUS EST IMPEDIMENTŌ MILITIBUS**

B1 Using two ablatives translate into Latin: The Albans, a nation of great courage, are skilled in war.

**ALBANĪ, NATIŌ MAGNĀ VIRTŪTE, PERITĪ BELLŌ SUNT**

B2 Using two accusatives translate into Latin: The soldiers concealed the weapons from the enemy.

**MILITĒS ARMA HOSTEM / HOSTĒS CELĀVĒRUNT**

9. Though probably for tax revenue purposes, what man instituted the **constitutio Antoniniana** in 212 AD, effectively making all free inhabitants of the Roman Empire citizens?

(M. AURELIUS ANTONINUS) CARACALLA

B1 What man had earlier instructed Caracalla and his brother Geta to be harmonious, pay the soldiers, and spurn all other men?

SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS

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B2 Where did Severus give these dying words to his sons while on campaign in Britannia?  
EBORACUM / YORK

10. Which of the following does not belong because of gender? **Gelū, genus, genū, gens.**  
GENS

B1 For five points each, name two fourth declension neuter nouns besides **gelū** and **genū**.  
(ANY TWO OF) **CORNŪ, PECŪ, VERŪ**

11. What unfaithful lover of Apollo slept with another mortal while pregnant with the god's son Asclepius?  
CORONIS

B1 How was Coronis punished for her unfaithfulness to her divine lover?  
SHOT TO DEATH BY ARTEMIS OR APOLLO

B2 What was the name of the man with whom Coronis cheated on Apollo?  
ISCHYS

12. What text, written in the first century AD, claimed to contain everything its author knew about the world in its 37 books?  
NATURALIS HISTORIA / NATURAL HISTORY

B1 Who first published the **Naturalis Historia**?  
PLINY THE YOUNGER

B2 To whom was **Naturalis Historia** dedicated?  
TITUS

13. Listen carefully to the following letter of Cicero to his wife Terentia, which I will read twice. Then answer the question that follows in Latin.

**Sī valēs, benē est, valeō. Nōs neque dē Caesaris adventū neque dē litterīs, quās Philotimus habēre dīcitur, quicquam adhūc certī habēmus. Sī quid erit certī, faciam tē statim certiozem. Valētūdinem tuam fac ut cūrēs. Valē. Tertiō Idus Sextilis.**

Question: **Ā quō litterās Cicerō exspectat?**  
(Ā) **PHILOTIMŌ**

B1 **Dē quō Cicerō nihil novī habuit?**  
(DĒ) **ADVENTŪ CAESARIS**

B2 **Quid faciet Cicerō, sī quid certī accipiet?**  
**TERENTIAM / UXOREM CERTIOREM FACIET**

14. Translate into English: **Fur aedificium intrāvit dōnum raptum.**  
THE THEIF ENTERED THE BUILDING TO SEIZE THE GIFT

B1 What verb form is exemplified by **raptum** in this sentence?  
(ACCUSATIVE) SUPINE

B2 Translate into English: **Erat dōnum difficile raptū.**  
IT WAS A GIFT DIFFICULT TO SEIZE

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15. After the plebeians seceded to the Mons Sacer in 494 BC, what eloquent statesman convinced them to return by comparing the patricians to the stomach and the plebs to the limbs of a body, working together for a greater function?

MENENIUS AGRIPPA

B1 What law allowed patricians and plebeians to intermarry in 445 BC?

LEX CANULEIA

B2 What step towards equality did the **Lex Hortensia** accomplish much later in 287 BC?

ALL CITIZENS WERE BOUND BY PLEBISCITES / **PLEBISCITA**  
(RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE **COMITIA TRIBUTA**)

16. What eternally young mortal sleeps forever on Mount Latmus, a gift granted to him by his lover Selene?

ENDYMION

B1 How many daughters did Selene bear to Endymion?

FIFTY

B2 Endymion was said to have founded or been the son of the founder of what city?

ELIS

17. Give the English for the Latin motto of Missouri.

LET THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE BE THE HIGHEST LAW

B1 Give the English for the Latin motto of West Virginia.

MOUNTAINEERS ARE ALWAYS FREE

B2 Give the English for the Latin motto of Arizona.

GOD ENRICHES

18. Although he was both a prominent actor and a playwright, what freedman's role as a schoolteacher brought about his greatest contribution to Latin literature when he translated the Odyssey into Latin to serve as a textbook for his students?

LIVIVS ANDRONICUS

B1 Name one of Livius Andronicus's tragedies.

**ACHILLES / AEGISTHUS / AJAX MASTIGOPHOROUS / ANDROMEDA**  
**ANTIOPA / DANAE / EQUUS TROIANUS / HERMIONA / TEREUS**

B2 In what meter did Livius Andronicus compose his translation of the Odyssey?

SATURNIAN

19. What was your occupation in Rome if you were a **iudex**?

JUDGE

B1 What was your occupation in Rome if you were a **sutor**?

SHOEMAKER

B2 What was your occupation in Rome if you were an **atriensis**?

BUTLER

20. What two groups of goddesses are said to have been mothered by Themis?

HORAE AND FATES/MOIRAI

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B1 Themis was said to be the goddess of what?

DIVINE RIGHTEOUSNESS/LAW/JUSTICE

B2 According to some versions of mythology, what Titan of forethought is also said to have been mothered by Themis?

PROMETHEUS

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1. What food did the Roman call **puls**?

**PORRIDGE**

B1 What meal was the **secunda mensa**?

**DESSERT**

B2 What common dish today did the Romans call **epityrum**?

**SALAD**

2. What king of Troy suffered the wrath of Heracles when he refused to repay the hero for the rescue of his daughter, Hesione, from a sea monster?

**LAOMEDON**

B1 Heracles exacted vengeance on Laomedon by besieging Troy. What ally of Heracles and son of Aeacus was the first to breach the Trojan walls, a feat for which he was awarded Hesione afterward?

**TELAMON**

B2 What payment had Heracles originally demanded from Laomedon for the rescue of Hesione?

**MARES (WHICH ZEUS HAD GRANTED AS COMPENSATION FOR  
GANYMEDE'S KIDNAPPING)**

3. What brave man returned with an army of scattered Romans after the capture of the Capitoline by Brennus and sent the Gauls packing as they were trying to wring tribute from the conquered city?

**(MARCUS FURIUS) CAMILLUS**

B1 What Roman champion earned his nickname by defeating a giant Gaul in a duel with the help of a crow that attacked his foe's face?

**(MARCUS VALERIUS) CORVUS**

B2 What skilled warrior earned the second **spolia opima** by defeating the chief Lars Tolumnius in single combat?

**(AULUS CORNELIUS) COSSUS**

4. **Quid Anglicē significat “ulcīscor”?**

**AVENGE**

B1 **Quid Anglicē significat “nancīscor”?**

**GET / OBTAIN / FIND**

B2 **Quid Anglicē significat “pacīscor”?**

**MAKE A BARGAIN/AGREEMENT/CONTRACT**

5. What first century BC former military engineer wrote a ten-book treatise on architecture called **Dē Architectura**?

**VITRUVIUS**

B1 To whom was **Dē Architectura** dedicated?

**AUGUSTUS**

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B2 “The Vitruvian Man,” a famous work of Leonardo Da Vinci’s, is so named because it was inspired by Vitruvius’s notes on what topic?

GEOMETRY / PROPORTION / IDEAL HUMAN PROPORTIONS  
(PROMPT ON “THE HUMAN BODY”)

6. Translate into English: **Si eum dē causīs rērum rogēs, veritātem tibi narret.**

IF YOU SHOULD ASK HIM ABOUT THE CAUSES OF THINGS,  
HE WOULD TELL YOU THE TRUTH

B1 Translate into English: **Si suaviter cantāres, pecūniam tibi dārem.**

IF YOU WERE TO SING SWEETLY, I WOULD GIVE YOU MONEY

B2 Translate into English: **Si gladiātorēs spectāvissemus, periculōsā pugnā fruiti simus.**

IF WE HAD WATCHED THE GLADIATORS,  
WE WOULD HAVE ENJOYED THE DANGEROUS FIGHT

7. What son of Lycaon was the second best of the archers at Troy and broke the truce by shooting at Menelaus?

PANDARUS

B1 For what Trojan did Pandarus serve as charioteer?

AENEAS

B2 Who killed Pandarus by striking him in the face with a spear?

DIOMEDES

8. According to Suetonius, what author from Aquinum was banished to Egypt after using his famously caustic wit to insult a high-profile actor?

JUVENAL

B1 What other Roman author is sometimes said to have been Juvenal’s teacher?

QUINTILIAN

B2 How many of Juvenal’s Satires are only partially extant?

ONE

9. What case is used with the prepositions **pōne**, **penes**, and **praeter**?

ACCUSATIVE

B1 What case is used with the preposition **ergā**?

ACCUSATIVE

B2 What two cases are used with the preposition **tenus**?

GENITIVE AND ABLATIVE

10. Who sought refuge from Thebes at Colonus, having been led by his daughter Antigone?

OEDIPUS

B1 Who comes to Colonus in an attempt to persuade Oedipus to return to Thebes?

CREON

B2 Who is the only one who knows the location of Oedipus’s tomb?

THESEUS

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11. Which of the following words, if any, is not derived from **regō**? regular, escort, alert, rear, address  
REAR  
B1 What Latin word with what meaning lies at the root of “rear”?  
**RETRŌ – BACKWARDS, BEHIND**  
B2 What derivative of **regō** means “expert or nimble in the use of hands or body”?  
ADROIT
12. What literary device is found in the phrases “**haud laeta**” and “**nōn semel**”?  
LITOTES  
B1 What literary device is found in the phrase “**quae mē cumque**”?  
TMESIS  
B2 What literary device is found in the line “**Quōs ego—sed mōtōs praestat compōnere fluctūs**”?  
APOSIOPESIS
13. Which emperor appointed two Praetorian Prefects to balance each other and allowed Gauls into the Senate, one of Rome’s traditional Republican institutions that he claimed to respect much more than his predecessors Gaius and Tiberius?  
CLAUDIUS  
B1 Claudius famously employed many freedmen in his administration, like which secretary of the treasury who was reportedly a lover of Claudius’ last wife Agrippina?  
(M. ANTONIUS) PALLAS  
B2 Which other freedman of Claudius, his secretary of correspondence, was accused of embezzlement and eventually executed by Agrippina, possibly for his intention to expose her affair with Pallas?  
(TI. CLAUDIUS) NARCISSUS
14. **Soliloquiorum Libri Duo, Dē Consensu Evangelistarum, Dē Natura Boni Contra Manichaeos, Dē Trinitate, Dē Civitate Dei, and Confessionēs** were all written by what bishop of Hippo who flourished in the fourth century AD?  
(ST.) AUGUSTINE  
B1 What other Christian writer, the bishop of Milan, was a major influence of Augustine’s and even baptized him?  
(ST.) AMBROSE  
B2 What contemporary of Augustine was the first to translate the Bible into Vulgar Latin?  
(ST.) JEROME
15. Using **imperō** say in Latin “He ordered six legions to stay in Rome”.  
**SEX LEGIŌNIBUS IMPERĀVIT UT ROMAE (RE)MANERENT**  
B1 Using **appropinquō** say in Latin “He encouraged all the legates to approach that city”.  
**OMNĒS LEGATŌS HORTĀBATUR / HORTĀTUS EST  
UT AD ILLAM URBEM / ILLĪ URBĪ APPRŌPINQUĀRENT**



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B2 Using **petō** say in Latin “He asked Marcus where the army was going”?

**Ā MARCŌ PETĒBAT / PETĪVIT QUŌ EXERCITUS ĪRET**

16. What unfaithful goatherd of Odysseus allied himself with the suitors and armed them during the battle with Odysseus?

MELANTHIUS

B1 Who was the aged father of Melanthius who remained faithful to Odysseus and was Laertes’s servant?

DOLIUS

B2 Who was the cowherd of Odysseus, who also remained faithful to him?

PHILOETIUS

17. What series of fourteen speeches given at a public assembly, in a temple, to the senate, and in one case through a pamphlet served as a bitter condemnation of the actions and character of Mark Antony?

PHILIPPICS / **PHILIPPICAE**

B1 When it comes to the Philippics, Cicero is to Demosthenes as Mark Antony is to whom, specifically?

PHILIP II OF MACEDON

B2 Which of Cicero’s Philippics was delivered at the Temple of Jupiter?

THE FIFTH

18. Give in Latin the accusative singular of the phrase “foul treaty.”

**FOEDUS FOEDUM**

B1 Change **foedus foedum** to the dative.

**FOEDERI FOEDŌ**

B2 Change **foederi foedō** to the vocative.

**FOEDUS FOEDUM**

19. At which battle did Terentius Varro pressure his colleague Aemilius Paullus into attacking, whereupon Paullus and nearly 50,000 Romans were slain by Hannibal’s men while Varro escaped?

CANNAE

B1 In what year did the Battle of Cannae take place?

216 BC

B2 What other Roman consul lost a significant battle and his life the year before?

(C.) FLAMINIUS

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20. Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice, and answer in English the question that follows.

**Nāsīca, cui volenti invīsere familiārem Ennium, ancilla, iussū erī, negāset esse domī, sēnsit, et discessit. Ubī Ennius vicissim ingressus domum Nāsīcae rogābat puerum num esset intus, Nāsīca clāmāvit dē conclāvī, “Nōn sum domī!” Cumque Ennius, āgnitā vōce, dīxisset “Impudēns, nōnnē āgnōscō tē loquentem?”, “Immō,” inquit Nāsīca, “tu impudentior, quī nōn habēs fidem mihi, cum ego crēdiderim tuae ancillae!”**

Question: What did Ennius ask the boy?

WHETHER NASICA / HIS MASTER WAS WITHIN / WAS HOME

B1 What did Ennius ask Nasica?

(IMPUDENT MAN,) DON'T I RECOGNIZE YOU SPEAKING?

B2 Why did Nasica claim Ennius was more impudent than himself?

SINCE HE DIDN'T TRUST NASICA ALTHOUGH  
NASICA HAD TRUSTED HIS SLAVE WOMAN

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1. Translate into Latin: He is the sort who prefers the Greek language.

**EST QUI LINGUAM GRAECAM MALIT**

- B1 What use of the subjunctive is exemplified by this sentence?

RELATIVE CLAUSE OF CHARACTERISTIC

- B2 Translate into Latin using an impersonal verb: There is no one who does not like Certamen.

**NEMO EST CUI CERTAMEN NON PLACEAT / LIBET**

2. What work of Ennius is often termed a “gastronomical epic”?

**HEDYPHAGETICA**

- B1 In what meter is **Hedyphetica** written?

DACTYLIC HEXAMETER

- B2 What work of Ennius presented mythology as actual historical events and figures whose stories were merely distorted over time?

**EUHEMERUS**

3. Listen carefully to the following poem of Catullus, which I will read twice in prose, and answer in English the question that follows.

**Lūcundum, mea vīta, mihi prōpōnis amōrem  
hunc nostrum inter nōs perpetuumque fore.  
dī magnī, facite ut vērē prōmittere possit,  
atque id sincērē dīcat et ex animō,  
ut liceat nōbīs tōtā perducere vītā  
aeternum hoc sanctae foedus amīcitiae.**

Question: What has the receiver of the letter promised Catullus?

THAT THEIR LOVE WILL LAST FOREVER

- B1 What does Catullus ask the gods?

TO LET THE PROMISE BE TRUE / SINCERE / FROM THE HEART

- B2 In the last line, as what does Catullus describe their love?

AN ETERNAL TREATY OF SACRED FRIENDSHIP

4. What nymph did Juno promise to Aeolus in marriage if he sent his winds against the fleet of Aeneas?

DEIOPEA

- B1 For five points each, name the two sea deities who helped dislodge the ships of Aeneas after Aeolus's storm.

TRITON AND CYMOTHOE

5. The characters of Menalcas, Thyrsus, Corydon, Meliboeus, Tityrus, and Silenus appear in which work of Vergil famously based off the Idylls of Theocritus?

ECLOGUES / BUCOLICS

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B1 What work features the characters of Cylindrus, Erotium, Peniculus, and Messenio?

**MENAECHMI**

B2 What work features the characters of Pamphile, Photis, Milo, and Lucius?

**METAMORPHOSES / THE GOLDEN ASS / ASINUS AUREUS**

6. What man kissed the ground after hearing the Delphic oracle that whoever kissed his mother first would rule Rome next, and consequently he became one of the first two consuls?

(LUCIUS JUNIUS) BRUTUS

B1 What other consul of 509 BC helped Brutus overthrow Tarquinius after the rape of his wife Lucretia, though he later went into exile because of his close ties with the Etruscans?

(LUCIUS TARQUINIUS) COLLATINUS

B2 What later consul of the same year was the father of Collatinus' wife Lucretia?

(SPURIUS) LUCRETIUS TRICIPITINUS

7. The body of what trumpeter did Aeneas have to bury before he could enter the Underworld?

MISENUS

B1 Misenus once challenged the gods to a music contest with his conch shell trumpet. Which deity killed him for his insolence?

TRITON

B2 Misenus's parentage is fitting, considering that he played a wind instrument. Name the father of Misenus.

AEOLUS

8. What is the Latin for the abbreviation **s.v.b.**?

**SĪ VALĒS BENE**

B1 There are two meanings for the Latin abbreviation **q.v.** For five points each, give the Latin and English for both.

**QUOD VIDĒ, WHICH SEE**  
**QUANTUM VĪS, AS MUCH AS YOU WANT**

9. Give the comparative and superlative forms of the adjective **frūgī**.

**FRŪGĀLIOR, FRŪGĀLISSIMUS**

B1 Give the two possible positive degrees of the superlative adverb **minimē**.

**PARVĒ, PARUM**

B2 Give the positive degree of the superlative adjective **ōcissimus**.

DOESN'T EXIST

10. What man, emboldened by the victory at Cannae, decided to throw his kingdom into alliance with Hannibal in 215 BC, dragging the Romans into involvement with Macedon and the Greek world?

PHILIP V

B1 Valerius Laevinus secured the alliance between Rome and which hostile Greek confederation in 211 BC, weakening the Macedonians' land power?

AETOLIAN LEAGUE

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B2 Which king of Pergamum also threw his weight in with the Romans, further distracting the Macedonians under Philip V?

ATTALUS I

11. What daughter of Erechtheus was carried off by Boreas while she was dancing along the Ilissus River?

OREITHYIA

B1 What daughter of Boreas and Oreithyia was seduced by Poseidon, but was so ashamed of their son Eumolpus that she flung him into the sea?

CHIONE

B2 What other daughter of Boreas and Oreithyia was married to King Phineus?

CLEOPATRA

12. What was the purpose of the **destrictarium** in the Roman bathhouse?

SCRAPING OFF OIL

B1 What slave would accompany you to the baths carrying your towel, and oil and **strigiles**?

CAPSARIUS

B2 Where in the bathhouse would you go to be anointed with oil?

UNCTORIUM

13. Who decided to honor his father-in-law by writing a glowing biography of him that extolled his virtues in the face of a corrupt empire?

TACITUS

B1 Who was this father-in-law?

AGRICOLA

B2 What other work of Tacitus was a short treatise on rhetoric?

DIALOGUS DE ORATORIBUS

14. Keeping in mind a classic movie from the 30s, translate this sentence into English: **Latericia via flāva nōbīs sequenda est.**

WE MUST FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD

B1 Translate into English: **Pax adversīs regnīs mox petenda erit.**

THE OPPOSING KINGDOMS WILL HAVE TO SEEK PEACE SOON

B2 Now translate this sentence into Latin: We had to spare all the captives.

OMNIBUS CAPTIVIS A NOBIS PARCENDUM ERAT

15. From what Latin word with what meaning do we derive the English words “scald” and “calorie”?

CALEŌ – TO BE WARM

B1 What English verb, derived from **caleō**, means “to treat tenderly” or “nurse indulgently”?

CODDLE

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B2 What English adjective, derived from **caleō**, describes someone who is coolly unconcerned or indifferent?

NONCHALANT

16. Differentiate in meaning between **terreō** and **torreō**.

**TERREŌ** – FRIGHTEN / TERRIFY

**TORREŌ** – DRY / PARCH / ROAST / SCORCH

B1 Differentiate in meaning between **claudō** and **claudeō**.

**CLAUDŌ** – CLOSE / SHUT

**CLAUDEŌ** – LIMP / BE LAME(-O)

B2 Differentiate in meaning between **hiō** and **hauriō**.

**HIŌ** – OPEN / YAWN / GAPE

**HAURIŌ** -- DRAIN / DRINK / DRAW (UP, OUT, etc.)

17. What type of poem, literally meaning “near the bedroom,” was typically sung to a bride in honor of her wedding ?

EPITHALAMIA / EPITHALAMION / EPITHALAMIUM

B1 What Roman author dedicated an epithalamion to the newlyweds Manlius and Junia?

CATULLUS

B2 What other form of early Latin poetry influenced the aforementioned Carmen 61 of Catullus?

FESCENNINE VERSES / FESCENNINA CARMINA

18. Identify the use of the dative case in the following sentence: **Gaius duodecim equōs Marcō dētrahit.**

SEPARATION

B1 Identify the use of the dative case in the following sentence: **Īgnōscendum est patribus ā mātribus.**

SPECIAL VERBS

B2 Identify the use of the dative case in the following sentence: **Manubiae maximō ūsuī reī pūblīcae erant.**

DOUBLE DATIVE / REFERENCE / PURPOSE

19. What young man, later ordered by Apollo to stay away from the battle, makes his first kill by shooting Numanus while the Trojans are being besieged by the Italians?

ASCANIUS

B1 To what sister of Turnus was Numanus married?

JUTURNA

B2 Ascanius made an earlier kill when he accidentally shot a stag belonging to what Italian herdsman?

TYRRHENUS

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20. What Roman emperor celebrated the 1000<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rome in 248 AD, and had used his praetorian prefecture to supplant Gordian III four years earlier, though he is often remembered for coming from the area of Damascus in the East?

(M. IULIUS PHILIPPUS) / PHILIP ("THE ARAB")

- B1 Philip avoided the contemporary fashion of imperial assassination by dying in battle against which revolting general?

(C. MESSIUS) DECIUS (TRAIANUS)

- B2 Decius expanded on this trend by becoming the first Roman to die in battle against a foreign enemy, falling at Abrittus against Cniva, the king of which people?

GOTHS

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1. What Latin noun with what meaning lies at the root of “squad” and “square”?  
**QUATTUOR – FOUR**  
B1 What Latin verb with what meaning lies at the root of “rescue” and “discussion”?  
**QUATIŌ – TO SHAKE**  
B2 What Latin noun with what meaning lies at the root of “coy” and “requital”?  
**QUIĒS – SILENCE, REST**
2. After the slaughter of Italians at Cirta, what adopted brother of Hiempsal and Adherbal came into conflict with Rome while vying for sole rule of the kingdom of Numidia?  
**JUGURTHA**  
B1 What adoptive father of Jugurtha and son of Masinissa had troublesomely bequeathed his kingdom three ways amongst his sons upon his death?  
**MICIPSA**  
B2 What Roman general held the command against Jugurtha from 109 BC until he was supplanted by the machinations of Gaius Marius?  
**(Q.) CAECILIUS METELLUS**
3. Consider the sentence “Aurelia doubted that her horse returned home”. What Latin word would be necessary to introduce the subordinate clause?  
**QUĪN**  
B1 Translate that sentence into Latin.  
**AURELIA DUBĪTĀVIT / DUBĪTĀBAT QUĪN EQUUS (SUUS) DŌMUM REDĪRET / REVERTERET**  
B2 Translate into Latin: There is great doubt that Aurelia is in Egypt with her huge family.  
**MAGNUM DUBIUM EST QUĪN AURELIA SIT IN AEGYPTŌ CUM FAMILIĀ (SUĀ) INGENTĪ**
4. The true identities of elegiac mistresses such as Perilla, Cynthia, Delia, and Lesbia were revealed by what author of the second century AD?  
**APULEIUS**  
B1 In which work were these pseudonyms exposed?  
**APOLOGIA**  
B2 Give the real names according to Apuleius for THREE of the women listed in the toss-up.  
**PERILLA = METELLA, CYNTHIA = HOSTIA, DELIA = PLANIA, LESBIA = CLODIA**
5. When recognized, perform the following command: **Rogā me ūtrum liceatne tibi me vocare forsan.**  
**PLAYER SHOULD ASK WHETHER THEY CAN CALL YOU (MAYBE)**  
B1 When recognized, perform the following command: **Mināre sumere poenam ex omnibus mendācibus.**  
**PLAYER SHOULD THREATEN TO PUNISH ALL LIARS**



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B2 When recognized, perform the following command: **Stā et proclāmā, “Nē fueris aliquis quī nōn es.”**

PLAYER SHOULD STAND AND PROCLAIM, “DON’T BE  
SOMEONE YOU’RE NOT!”

6. Who tore the infant Astyanax from his mother Andromache’s arms and hurled him from the walls of Troy?

NEOPTOLEMUS

B1 Who had encouraged this act by warning the Greeks not to allow any descendants of Priam to survive?

ODYSSEUS

B2 What daughter of Priam did Neoptolemus sacrifice on Achilles’s grave after his father’s ghost demanded it?

POLYXENA

7. What epic written in dactylic hexameter was dedicated to the politician Gaius Memmius?

DE RERUM NATURA

B1 Although Lucretius spoke highly of Memmius in this poem, what other Roman poet famously disliked Memmius?

CATULLUS

B2 Catullus’s disapproval began after he served on Memmius’s staff in what province of Rome?

BITHYNIA

8. Of the words **fūstis**, **zōna**, **rogus**, **gener**, **manubiae**, and **fullō**, which is described in the following Latin sentence: **Est quod filiam in mātrimōnium dūxit.**

GENER

B1 Of **fūstis**, **zōna**, **rogus**, **gener**, **manubiae**, and **fullō**, which is described in this Latin sentence: **Mīlites hoc ab hostibus capiunt.**

MANUBIAE

B2 Of **fūstis**, **zōna**, **rogus**, **gener**, **manubiae**, and **fullō**, which is described in this Latin sentence: **Corpus exanime hīc ūritur.**

ROGUS

9. For the verb **dīligō**, give the second person plural future active imperative.

DĪLIGITŌTE

B1 Change **dīligitōte** to the passive.

CANNOT BE DONE

B2 Change **dīligitōte** to the syncopated form of the third person plural perfect active indicative.

DĪLEXĒRE

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10. After hails of stones on the Alban Mount, a pestilence at Rome, and a lingering personal illness, what Roman king turned to the obscure rites of Jupiter Elicius, but performed the rituals so badly an angry Jupiter fried him with a thunderbolt?

TULLUS HOSTILIUS

- B1 What Alban dictator did Hostilius have pulled apart with chariots for betraying Rome in the war with Fidenae?

METTIUS FUFETIUS

- B2 Mettius had been appointed dictator during an earlier war with Rome after what king of Alba Longa died in the military camp?

(G.) CLUILIUS

11. In the Odyssey, who was the beggar who served as a messenger to the suitors and lost to Odysseus in a wrestling match?

IRUS

- B1 What son of Terpes was the bard who so distressed Penelope with his songs about the Trojan War?

PHEMIUS

- B2 What seer and suitor of Penelope had predicted Odysseus's return and was the last person Odysseus killed in his homecoming battle, pleading in vain for mercy?

LEODES

12. For millennia he was assumed to be one of the greatest elegists of all time, based on the praises of contemporaries like Ovid. However, when a poem of his in praise of Lycoris was recently unearthed, scholars were underwhelmed. Who was this disappointing elegist, born at Forum Livii circa 70 BC?

CORNELIUS GALLUS

- B1 What famous poem was dedicated to Gallus?

ECLOGUE 10

(PROMPT ON "ECLOGUES")

- B2 Some scholars say that Gallus would have appeared in two of Vergil's works had the disapproval of what famous Roman not caused his elimination from the Georgics?

AUGUSTUS

13. Listen carefully to the following passage from Vergil's Aeneid, which I will read twice in prose. Then answer the question that follows in Latin.

**Laurus erat tecti mediō in penetrālibus altis  
sācra comam multōsque metū servāta per annōs,  
quam pater inventam, primās cum conderet arcēs,  
ipse ferēbātur Phoebō sacrāsse Latīnus,  
Laurentisque ab eā nōmen posuisse colōnīs.  
huius apēs summum densae (mīrābile dictū)  
strīdōre ingentī liquidum trans aethera vectae**

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**obsēdere apicem, et pedibus per mūtua nexis  
exāmen subitum rāmō frondente pependit.**

Question: Cui Latīnus dīcēbātur dēdicāvisse arborem?

**PHOEBŌ / APOLLINI**

B1 Arbore dēdicāta, quod nōmen Latīnus colōnīs dedit?

**LAURENTĪS / LAURENTĒS**

B2 Quōmodō crēbrae apēs apicem obsēdērunt?

**STRĪDŌRE INGENTĪ**

14. What verb construction combines the future active participle with forms of **sum** in order to denote an intended action?

**ACTIVE / FIRST PERIPHRASTIC**

B1 Translate into English: **Tibi creditūrus erat.**

**HE WAS ABOUT TO BELIEVE YOU**

B2 Translate into English: **Lepus putat sē testūdinem superātūrum esse?**

**THE HARE THINKS THAT IT IS ABOUT TO SURPASS /  
OVERCOME THE TORTOISE**

15. What Roman besieged Perusia against Fulvia and her brother-in-law Lucius Antonius in 41 BC, even though this man had a political agreement with her husband Marcus Antonius?

**OCTAVIAN**

B1 What law of 43 BC had officially ratified this power-sharing agreement among Octavian, Antonius, and Lepidus?

**LEX TITIA**

B2 Ironically, Octavian and Antonius had been up in arms against each other earlier that year, resulting in the death of which pair of consuls at Mutina?

**(A.) HIRTIUS & (G. VIBIUS) PANSA**

16. In the Iliad, who has the sad task of telling Achilles that Patroclus has been killed?

**ANTILOCHUS**

B1 What brother of Antilochus accompanied him to the Trojan War with their aged father Nestor.

**THRASYMEDES**

B2 At the hands of what Ethiopian general was Antilochus killed while trying to defend Nestor?

**MEMNON**

17. What do the following Latin words have in common? **pelagus, vīrus, vulgus.**

**SECOND DECLENSION NEUTERS (ENDING IN –US)**

B1 Two of those nouns have no existing plural form. Give the plural form of the third one.

**PELAGĒ**

B2 Give a similar nominative plural neuter form, meaning “sea monsters.”

**CĒTĒ**

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18. What history of Roman oratory written in 46 BC takes the form of a dialogue between Cicero and two other men?

BRUTUS

B1 One of the two others is, of course, the titular Marcus Junius Brutus. Who is the third interlocutor?

ATTICUS

B2 What work of Cicero was dedicated to Atticus?

**LAELIUS DE AMICITIA / LAELIUS / DE AMICITIA**

19. The daughters of what king were transformed into bats after scorning the worship of Bacchus?

MINYAS

B1 The daughters of what king were transformed into magpies after challenging the Muses to a singing contest and losing?

PIERUS

B2 The daughters of what king became the first prostitutes after refusing the worship of Venus?

PROPOETUS

20. What Roman festival originally celebrated the location where Romulus and Remus were suckled by a she-wolf and later included women being stricken by strips of goatskin to promote fertility?

**LUPERCALIA**

B1 What festival featured Roman husbands giving their wives gifts similar to our mother's day?

**MATRONALIA**

B2 What festival celebrated the start of the grape harvest with the **flamen dialis** breaking grapes off the vine?

**VINALIA RUSTICA**

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1. What late Roman author wrote **In tria Virgilio opera expositio**, a commentary on the Eclogues, the Georgics, and the Aeneid?  
SERVIUS (HONORATUS)  
B1 What grammarian and tutor of St. Jerome wrote on the life of Vergil?  
(AELIUS) DONATUS  
B2 Donatus's biography of Vergil was supposedly based on the now lost work of what earlier author?  
SUETONIUS
2. The verbs **arcessō** and **accersō**, meaning "to summon," provide an example of the re-arranging of sounds in one word to create a variant of the same word. What is the name, derived from a Greek verb meaning "put in a different order," for such re-arranging?  
METATHESIS  
B1 The "-esso" ending of **arcessō** and **accersō** indicates that they are what specific kind of iterative verb?  
MEDITATIVE / VERBS OF PRACTICE  
B2 What conjugation are diminutive verbs, such as **cavillor**?  
FIRST
3. What Latin word with what meaning lies at the ultimate root of "fusillade" and "fuel"?  
FOCUS – HEARTH  
B1 What Latin word with what meaning lies at the ultimate root of "meager" and "emaciation"?  
MACER – THIN  
B2 What Latin word with what meaning lies at the ultimate root at the ultimate root of "roulette" and "control"?  
ROTA – WHEEL
4. What daughter of Salmoneus bore the twins Pelias and Neleus to Poseidon?  
TYRO  
B1 Poseidon was disguised as what river-god when he lay with Tyro?  
ENIPEUS  
B2 To what brother of Salmoneus did Tyro bear her other sons Aeson, Pheres, and Amythaon?  
CRETHEUS
5. At the battle of Locus Castorum, what man held off the forces of Caecina, though he is better known for being an earlier husband of Poppaea Sabina, Nero's empress, and for losing to the combined forces of Caecina and Valens at the First Battle of Cremona?  
(M. SALVIUS) OTHO

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B1 What native of Narnia, who had earned rewards from Nero for helping suppress the Pisonian Conspiracy, allowed the execution of Domitian's assassins, even though they allowed him to take the purple?

(M. COCCEIUS) NERVA

B2 In what general direction would one travel going from Nerva's birthplace, Narnia, towards Otho's Etruscan hometown, Ferentinum, and Nero's birthplace, Antium?

SOUTH (and slightly East)

6. Listen carefully to this passage from Ovid's *Heroides*, a letter from Ariadne to Theseus, which I will read twice in prose. Then answer in English the question that follows.

**nunc ego nōn tantum, quae sum passūra, recordor,  
sēd quaecumque potest ulla relictā pati.  
occurrunt animō pereundī mille figurāe,  
morsque minus poenae quam mora mortis habet.  
iam iam ventūrōs aut hāc aut suspicor illāc,  
qui lanient avidō viscera dente lupōs.  
forsitan et fulvōs tellūs alat ista leōnēs?  
quis scit an et saevās tigrīdas insula habet?**

Question: According to Ariadne, what is more painful than death itself?

THE DELAY OF DEATH / WAITING FOR DEATH

B1 Which of the three animals mentioned does Ariadne fear will tear out her organs with its teeth?

WOLF / WOLVES

B2 Translate the last line of the passage: **quis scit an et saevās tigrīdas insula habet?**

WHO KNOWS WHETHER THE / THIS ISLAND HAS SAVAGE  
TIGERS TOO?

7. Translate into English: **Nullum periculum nōs impediēt quominus Athenās navigēmus.**

NO DANGER WILL PREVENT US FROM SAILING TO ATHENS

B1 Translate into English: **Nolī timēre nē periculum adsit.**

DON'T FEAR THAT DANGER IS PRESENT

B2 Translate into English: **Nōs tutī erimus dummodo quam celerrimē navem solvāmus.**

WE WILL BE SAFE PROVIDED THAT WE SET SAIL  
AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE

8. **Acontizemenos**, **Hector Proficiscens**, **Glaucoma**, and **Leo** were all dramas written by what early Latin author?

GNAEUS NAEVIUS

B1 What does Naevius's epitaph say will happen after he dies?

ROMANS WILL FORGET HOW TO SPEAK LATIN

B2 What genre was Naevius credited with starting?

FABULA PRAETEXTA

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9. What Argive seer advised Bellerophon on how to tame Pegasus?

POLYIDUS

B1 What son of Minos was Polyidus commanded to find? He discovered the boy drowned in a vat of honey.

GLAUCUS

B2 Who was the son of Polyidus who was killed at Troy, as his father had predicted?

EUCHENOR

10. Identify the use of the genitive case found in the following sentence: **Dupli Mānius condemnātus est.**

GENITIVE OF CHARGE / PENALTY

B1 Identify the use of the genitive case found in the phrase, “**foederis heu taciti!**”

GENITIVE OF EXCLAMATION

B2 Identify the use of the genitive case found in the phrases “**callidus rei militaris**” and “**pauper aquae?**”

SPECIFICATION (GRUDGINGLY ACCEPT “WITH ADJECTIVES”)

11. What event in Rome would a town crier announce with the line: “**Ollus quiris lētō datus?**”

FUNERAL

B1 What professional mourners would be hired to mourn publicly at funerals?

PERFICAE

B2 On what object would the deceased be placed in front of **rostra** during the **laudatio**?

LECTUS FUNEBRIS

12. Being completely alliterative say in Latin: Fabius, confess the foolish crime.

**FABĪ, FATĒRE FACINUS FATUUM**

B1 Again being alliterative, say in Latin: If Statius were wise, he would follow the silent slave.

**SI STATIUS SAPIRET / SAPIĒNS ESSET,  
SERVUM SILĒNTEM SEQUERETUR**

B2 Still being alliterative, say in Latin: Antony thought that the weapons were increasing the bravery of the battle line.

**ANTŌNIUS ARBITRĀTUS EST / ARBITRĀBATUR ARMA  
AUDĀCIAM ACIĒĪ / AGMINIS AUGĒRE**

13. What emperor’s imperial descendants include a grandson who penned “The Beard Hater” and opposed Christianity, another grandson who was executed for supposedly lusting for his step-mother, and a son who famously converted to Christianity and defeated Maxentius?

CONSTANTIUS I / CHLORUS

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B1 Name that grandson of Constantius who allegedly was falsely accused of attempted rape by Constantine's second wife Fausta, though her later execution by suffocation in a bath suggests Constantine eventually discovered the truth?

(FLAVIUS JULIUS) CRISPUS

B2 Name that other grandson of Constantius who tried to revive Rome's traditional pagan customs and intellectualism before dying from a wound suffered in a raid by the Sassanids?

(FLAVIUS CLAUDIUS) JULIANUS / JULIAN ("THE APOSTATE")

14. What name is shared by a daughter of Strymon who was married to Argus, a daughter of Poseidon who bore Iamos to Apollo, and the wife of Capaneus?

EVADNE

B1 After her husband Capaneus was killed in the expedition of the Seven Against Thebes, what act of devotion did Evadne perform?

THREW HERSELF ON HIS PYRE

B2 In a bed of what kind of flowers did Evadne expose her child Iamos, fearing to take the child home? Iamos gained his name from these flowers.

VIOLETS

15. "Oderint dum metuant," or "let them hate so long as they fear," was famously appropriated by Caligula as a motto for his tyrannical regime. However, what tragedian originally coined this phrase in "Atreus," one of his first of about fifty plays written in the first and second centuries BC?

ACCIUS

B1 What author, who claimed to have once met an elderly Accius, quotes this phrase twice in his works?

CICERO

B2 What later grammarian dedicated one of his works to Accius?

VARRO

16. **Quid Anglicē significat "fraxinus"?**

ASH TREE / ASH SPEAR

B1 **Quid Anglicē significat "frēnum"?**

BRIDLE / CURB / BIT

B2 **Quid Anglicē significat "faenum"?**

HAY

17. Give the English for the motto of the University of Southern California, "**Palmam qui meruit ferat.**"

LET (S)HE WHO EARNED THE PALM BEAR IT

B1 Give the English for the motto of the University of Kansas, "**Vidēbō vīsiōnem hanc magnam quarē nōn comburatur rubus.**"

I WILL SEE THIS GREAT VISION, WHY THE BUSH IS NOT BURNED UP /  
DOES NOT BURN



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B2 Give the English for the motto of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, which shares its motto for the state of Massachusetts.

BY THE SWORD (S)HE SEEKS A QUIET PEACE UNDER LIBERTY

18. A pseudepigraph is a falsely attributed work of literature. What famous Latin pseudepigraph is also arguably the most famous Roman cookbook?

DE RE COQUINARIA / APICIUS

B1 The **Appendix Vergiliana** is a collection of works attributed to Vergil that most scholars consider to be pseudepigraphical. For five points each, give the Latin titles for two pieces from this collection.

CATALEPTON / CIRIS / COPA / CULEX / DIRAE /  
ELEGIAE IN MAECENATEM / LYDIA / MORETUM / PRIAPEA

19. Who drove the cattle of Iphicles to Pylos so that he could bring back Nestor's daughter for his brother Bias to marry?

MELAMPUS

B1 Who was this daughter of Nestor whom Melampus won for Bias?

PERO

B2 What great-grandson of Melampus was a seer who accompanied Telemachus in the Odyssey and told the story of Melampus?

THEOCLYMENUS

20. In which war did the generals Papus Mutilus and Poppaedi Silo, leaders of the Samnites and Marsi respectively, engage with Roman commanders such as Sulla in a bid for citizenship?

SOCIAL / MARSIC / ITALIAN WAR

B1 In what city, the site of a Pyrrhic battle, did hostilities spark with a Roman massacre in 91 BC, leading to a long siege and capture?

ASCULUM

B2 What Roman commander led the siege that captured Asculum?

(CN.) POMPEIUS STRABO