0. What word, which is the blank in the new Harry Styles song "As [blank] was", is also the title of a movie whose famous poster features a child wearing a yellow raincoat and holding a red balloon?

IT

B1: What film franchise takes place before the time of Harry Potter and centers around Newt Scamander?

FANTASTIC BEASTS

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1. Ironically, Lucius Ambivius Turpio says that Caecilius Statius's plays were damned when they were new to the stage in the prologue of what work, which succeeded after being staged at the funeral games of Aemilius Paullus and at the same time as a show of tightrope walkers?

**HECYRA** 

B1: What work of Terence was actually performed without a hitch at the funeral games of Aemilius Paullus?

ADELPH(O)I / ADELPHOE

B2: Perhaps the difficulty of staging the *Hecyra* was a factor that led Volcacius Sedigitus to rank Terence at what spot among the top ten?

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2. Who got tangled up in the Syracusan shenanigans of Dionysius II and Dion almost 20 years after he had purchased the property of the Attic hero Academus and founded a school, and is known for his *Symposium*?

**PLATO** 

B1: What work of Plato sees Socrates comically propose a punishment of free meals at the Prytaneum for himself and describe himself as a gadfly that promotes self-reflection?

APOLOGY (OF SOCRATES)

B2: What work of Plato contains the famous allegory of the cave?

REPUBLIC

3. The dire warnings of the god Aius Locutius were ignored by the Romans prior to what event, which caused the Vestal Virgins to flee to Caere and followed a **dies āter** at the Allia River in 390 BC?

{GALLIC / SENONIAN} SACK OF ROME (OF 390 BC)

B1: During the invasion, what group put up much stiffer resistance than the Roman army, as they first sat in resolute silence when confronted by the Gauls before one of their number, Marcus Papirius, struck a Gaul with his staff?

OLD MEN // SENATORS // EX-MAGISTRATES

B2: Both the chairs in which the senators sat and the staff of old Papirius were made of what material?

**IVORY** 

4. What author's 3rd book is consumed by dread of the forthcoming **discidium** between himself and his beloved, a descendant of the author of the *Bellum Histricum* - Hostia - whom he calls Cynthia?

(SEX.) PROPERTIUS

B1: The first book of Propertius's work makes no mention of political events besides which conflict, which was economically disastrous to his family?

PERUSINE WAR

B2: The 3rd book of Propertius's work reverses this apolitical trend through digressions such as an epicedion for what young heir of Augustus?

MARCELLUS

- [SCORE CHECK] -----

5. What city, which Alexander left in the care of Apollodorus of Amphipolis and Mazaeus, was also at times the capital of Nebuchadnezzar, and Semiramis?

**BABYLON** 

B1: What famous battle between Cyrus the Younger and Artaxerxes II was fought near Babylon?

**CUNAXA** 

B2: While in Babylon in 331 B.C., Alexander reconstructed a ziggurat called Esagila which honored which deity, who features heavily in the Enuma Elish?

**MARDUK** 

6. What type of object, which scared Theseus's childhood friends, was obtained either while clearing Mount Cithaeron for Megareus and Thespius or while trapping an animal in a cave and using its own claws to kill it in Nemea?

LION'S {PELT / SKIN} [PROMPT ON "(ANIMAL) {SKIN / PELT}" WITH "WHAT ANIMAL"]

B1: What hero gained invulnerable skin when Heracles wrapped him in the Nemean Lion's pelt? He was the son of Heracles's companion who helped him defeat Alcyoneus and take Troy.

GARGANTUAN AJAX

B2: What king of Megara may have avenged Megareus's son and killed the Cithaeronian Lion?

**ALCATHOUS** 

7. What group, which swept down from Transoxiana to take over the ailing Abbasid Caliphate, defeated the Byzantines at Manzikert in 1071 A.D. and were known as Seljuks and Ottomans?

TURK(OMAN)S [ACCEPT "SELJUKS" PRIOR TO "SELJUKS"]

B1: Following the battle of Manzikert, a man named Malik-Shah established a Sultanate in Anatolia under what name, which was the Turkic word for "Rome"?

(SULTANATE OF) RUM

B2: The near-fatal Ottoman advance against the Byzantines in the late 1300s A.D. was put on hold in 1402 A.D. when what renowned Central Asian conqueror decisively routed the Ottomans near Ankara?

TIMUR (THE LAME) // TAMERLANE // TAMBURLAINE

8. Becoming so obsessed with his baldness that he wrote a treatise on hair care, what emperor's suspicious nature led him to line the palace with white reflective marble and use the title "**Dominus et Deus**?"

**DOMITIAN** 

B1: Domitian was an acolyte of the cult of what Egyptian goddess, in whose robes he escaped death in 69 A D? **ISIS** B2: In 82 and 83 A.D., Domitian led successful campaigns against what Germanic tribe? **CHATTI** - [SCORE CHECK] — 9. Differentiate in name between the region that is home to king Iobates as well as the corpse of Sarpedon and the region that is home to Mount Sipylus and its inhabitants, Niobe and Tantalus. LYCIA and LYDIA B1: Some peasants of Lycia were actually transformed into what sort of animal after they tried denying Latona potable water? FROG(S) B2: What king of Lydia gave his name to a mountain range and was the husband of Omphale? **TMOLUS** 10. What kind of people, whose easy movement in society allegedly personifies the destruction of society, consistently murders stepchildren and engages in infidelity according to a long tirade in Juvenal's 6th Satire? **WOMEN** B1: To what sort of man does Juvenal advise suicide in this 6th Satire? A descritpion is fine. A MAN CONTEMPLATING MARRIAGE B2: What imperial sex worker's "dark grandeur" stands out in Satire 6? **MESSALINA** 11. What city near the mouth of the Orontes River was founded by Seleucus I as the capital of his empire, and was made the capital of the province of Syria by the Romans? **ANTIOCH** B1: The modern day city of Antakya is currently part of what country? **TURKEY** B2: Another city by the name of Antioch was located in what Anatolian region? **PISIDIA** 12. The reorganization of the army to reflect the new ten tribes as opposed to the original four was the result of what man, who created 30 trittyes in Attica and a council of 500 to establish a democracy? **CLEISTHENES** B1: What was the size of the council Cleisthenes replaced to proportionally represent demes? 400 B2: What was the term ascribed to the tribe presiding over the council in their 10th of the year? **PRYTANEIS** 13. "From all the ships there rose the groans of dying men and the splintering of timbers. Spearing the

men like fishes, they carried them off to their loathsome feast. While they were killing those in the

harbor's depths, I drew my sharp sword and cut the cable of my dark-prowed vessel." This account relates the violence of what mythological tribe, who rushed from their homes in Telepylus at the behest of Antiphates to kill and devour Odysseus's men?

### LAESTRYGONES / LAESTRYGONIANS

B1: When Odysseus's men first came to Telepylus they ran into the unnamed daughter of Antiphates near the Artacia peforming what action? A description is acceptable.

{DRAWING / FETCHING} WATER

B2: What son of Poseidon is said to have founded Telepylus?

LAMUS

[SCORE CHECK]

14. *Against Aphorbus*, a speech dealing with the mismanagement of a swordsmith's estate, was delivered by what man, who defended Ctesiphon's suggestion to award him a crown and argued for the destruction of Philip II?

**DEMOSTHENES** 

B1: What man had forced Demosthenes to deliver *On the Crown* by arguing that the suggestion from Ctesiphon was illegal?

**AESCHINES** 

B2: What other set of speeches by Demosthenes urged Athens to swiftly help the eponymous city against Philip II but to no avail?

**OLYNTHIACS** 

——— [FINAL SCORE CHECK]———

0. What artist became famous through smash hits such as "Lil Jimmy Skit," "Low Lights," and "Pinocchio Story," but has also released obscure tracks such as "The Glory," "Through the Wire," and "Stronger?"

KANYE (WEST) // YE

B1: What name, given to Kanye's second child, is also used as a title for figures such as Auxentius?

**SAINT** 

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1. What general group of people, who are deemed the teachers of men by Aristophanes, features folks like Hesiod; the member of a hetaira who critiqued Pittacus, Alcaeus; and the mother of Cleis, the 10th muse Sappho?

**POETS** 

B1: What other poet, a patriotic Spartan, urged the Spartans to fight for their country and pointed out the practical advantages of courage?

**TYRTAEUS** 

B2: Name another tyrant of Mytilene whom Alcaeus described as of "low-birth" to express his disdain.

MYRSILUS or MELANCHRUS

2. Who employed men "more fit to be courtesans than courtiers" according to Theopompus, won the decisive Battle of the Crocus Field against Onomarchos's Phocians, and subjugated Greece at the battle of Chaeronea in 338 B.C.?

PHILIP II

B1: Prior to his accession to the Macedonian throne, Philip had been held hostage at what militarily successful city?

**THEBES** 

B2: What Athenian politician, who described Draco's laws as being written in blood, scolded Philip for his irreverent attitude following his victory at Chaeronea?

**DEMADES** 

3. What name was shared by a 12th century emperor called "the beautiful" who succeeded his father Alexius I, a general named Tzimiskes who assassinated Nikephoros Phokas, and the Biblical figures "the Evangelist" and "the Baptist?"

JOHN / IOANNES

B1: John Komnenos's son, Manuel, had to manage the fallout from what military campaign that ran from 1147 to 1150 A.D. and was led by Holy Roman Emperor Conrad III and King Louis VII?

SECOND CRUSADE

B2: John Tzimiskes won a spectacular victory in 972 A.D. at Dristra over what group, who were led by their Prince Svyatoslav and were based in Kyiv?

RUS'

4. What man, who was decreed not to have a son, was inspired by a dense cloud of bees settling on a tree to go consult his father Faunus and learn he should marry his daughter to the new foreigner Aeneas?

**LATINUS** 

B1: Who acts as Aeneas's main ambassador when the Trojans go to Latinus's palace to broker an alliance and settle there?

**ILIONEUS** 

B2: After learning of Latinus's plan to marry Lavinia to Aeneas, Alecto turns into what old servant priestess of Juno to urge Turnus to wage war?

**CALYBE** 

\_\_\_\_\_[SCORE CHECK] \_\_\_\_\_

5. Distinguish in philosopher between a native of Ephesus who identified the primary element as fire and a native of Miletus who used Babylonian information to correctly predict, in 585 B.C., a solar eclipse?

HERACL(E)ITUS and THALES

B1: According to Thales, what was the primeval force and basic building material of the world?

WATER

- B2: What term did Heraclitus raise to a philosophical term, no longer meaning just "intelligible speech"?

  LOGOS / λόγος
- 6. The principal station on the caravan route from Seleucia to Antioch, what city was made a Roman colony by Septimius Severus, which explains the name of its famous leader, Publius Septimius Odenathus?

**PALMYRA** 

B1: What child nominally succeeded Odenathus as ruler of Palmyra, though governance was carried out by his mother Zenobia?

**VABALLATHUS** 

B2: Odenathus secured Gallienus's trust by dispatching Ballista and Quietus, rebels who had been left behind when what father and son duo of the same name marched west to confront Gallienus?

**MACRIANUS** 

7. Who copies the goal of writing "**sine īrā et studiō**" from his idol Tacitus, writing a continuation of his work up to 378 A.D., with a special focus on the career of his old commander, Julian the Apostate?

AMMIANUS MARCELLINUS

B1: How many books comprised Marcellinus's Rērum Gestārum Librī?

31

B2: What year marks the beginning of the narrative in the *Rērum Gestārum Librī*?

96 A.D.

8. A tomb smoldered for years holding the body of what woman, who was resurrected as Thyone after she was burned to a crisp by Zeus's true form?

**SEMELE** 

B1: After Semele was obliterated, Hermes may have taken Dionysus to what mountain where he was raised by the nymphs?

(MT.) NYSA

B2: In some versions of his death, what man was killed on the order of Zeus for trying to woo his relative Semele in Thebes?

**ACTAEON** 

— [SCORE CHECK] —

9. Who curried favor with poor Athenians by inviting them to pick fruit from his orchards after paying off the debts his father had accrued while attacking the island of Paros, and signaled his support for Sparta by naming his son Lacedaemonius?

**CIMON** 

B1: Who was this father of Cimon who left him with a hefty debt to pay off?

**MILTIADES** 

B2: After putting down the revolt of Thasos in 463 B.C., Cimon was falsely accused by Ephialtes of having been bribed by which Macedonian king?

ALEXANDER I

- 10. Defiantly asking, "How can I be disturbed by the shouts of men like you, to whom Italy is but a step mother?," what general blocked Gaius Carbo's bill legalizing reelection to the tribunate, upsetting the masses who backed his runs for the consulships of 147 and 135 B.C. to sack Numantia and Carthage?
  - (P. CORNELIUS) SCIPIO (AFRICANUS) AEMILIANUS [PROMPT ON "SCIPIO AFRICANUS"]
- B1: Scipio Aemilianus truly lived long enough to become a villain in the eyes of what wife of his, who was upset by his stance on the murder of her brother Tiberius Gracchus?

**SEMPRONIA** 

B2: Early in his career, Aemilianus served on the staff of what villainous praetor, who ordered a massacre of the Lusitanians in 150 BC?

(SER. SULPICIUS) GALBA

11. Seven days of calm sea acted as the hatching period for what sort of bird, into which a loving couple were transformed after the wife tried drowning herself having seen the body of her dead husband Ceyx?

KINGFISHER(S) / HALCYON(S)

B1: What seer used the cries of a kingfisher to determine that the Argonauts needed to propitiate the rites of Cybele?

**MOPSUS** 

B2: What couple named their daughter Alcyone to remember the weeping the wife had done when Apollo seized her from father Evenus?

IDAS and MARPESSA

12. What work has peripeteia in its battles that complement the writing style of **candor** and **brevitās** as well as the **lactea ūbertās** of its Paduan author who chronicled Rome's history from the founding of the city?

AB URBE CONDITĀ

B1: What is the term for the summaries of the *Ab Urbe Conditā's* books?

**PERIOCHAE** 

B2: What man's early speech does Livy describe as being delivered "prīscō illō dīcendī et horridō modō"?
MENENIUS AGRIPPA
13. What tribe, sometimes referred to as the Tervingi, had good relations with the Romans under their kings Wallia and Theodoric, but acted as antagonists under Fritigern and Alaric, sacking Rome in 410 A.D.?
GOTHS / GETAE / VISIGOTHS
B1: What emperor suffered a debilitating defeat to Fritigern's Goths at Adrianople?
VALENS
B2: What Visigothic king undermined the legitimacy of the emperor Anthemius by making advances in Gaul and Spain?
EURIC
————[SCORE CHECK]—————
14. 4 long sides and 2 short ends is a physical description of what objects, whose 35 unique arrangements always omitted 2 and 5 and featured the Venus throw that designated the <b>magister bibendī?</b>
TĀLĪ / KNUCKLEBONES
B1: What was the term for the dice box that was also used to toss tālī?
FRITILLUS
B2: Describe what a Venus throw would look like.
EACH OF THE FOUR TĀLĪ WOULD FEATURE A DIFFERENT NUMBER
[FINAL SCORE CHECK]

0. What item, 8800 of which were presented to the bishop of Ravenna each year, was offered to a passenger by Frank Reynolds during a trying time and came in varieties such as sunny side up and scrambled?

EGG(S)

B1: What type of animal, notably not presented to the Bishop of Ravenna in any quantity, is depicted boxing a man in a commercial for John West brand salmon?

**BEAR** 

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1. Mount Pentelicus was the Athenians' main source of what material, which was also produced on the island of Paros and fashioned into a temple at Delphi and items such as Kouroi?

**MARBLE** 

B1: What family paid for the Parian marble at the temple at Delphi in an attempt to solicit Spartan aid against the tyrant Hippias?

### ALCMAEONIDS / ALCMAEONIDAE

- B2: What mountain near the Chalcidic peninsula was a main Athenian (and Pesistratid) source of gold?

  (MT.) PANGAEUS / PANGAION
- 2. Allegedly founded after the Maesian forest was seized from Veii, what city was so important to Roman commerce that Claudius upgraded its infrastructure, and sat at the mouth of the Tiber?

(THE PORT OF) OSTIA

- B1: In 68 B.C., pirates defeated a Roman fleet near Ostia that was under the command of what consul?

  (Q.) MARCIUS REX
- B2: What newer Roman port, 2 miles away from Ostia, was the focus of Claudius's construction?

  PORTUS (AUGUSTUS)
- 3. What province, which was split into the districts of Herculia and Iovia by Diocletian, was a direct possession of the emperor, was governed by an equestrian prefect, and forbade Senators to enter?

**EGYPT** 

B1: Augustus forbade senators from entering Egypt since he feared they would cut off the flow of what important product to Rome?

**GRAIN** 

B2: By the crisis of the 3rd century A.D., what administrative rank was held by the men who governed the territories of Sicily, Achaea, and Lucania?

## **CORRĒCTOR**

4. Who amusingly dedicated a work on the calmness of the mind to a man named Serenus, dedicated a seven book work about charity to Aebutius Liberalis, and a three book work about clemency to Nero?

SENECA THE YOUNGER

B1: The Serenus who was the dedicatee of **Dē Tranquillitāte Animī** held what nomen, which he shared with Seneca and Lucan? **ANNAEUS** B2: What other seven book work of Seneca the Younger was dedicated to Lucilius and focused on the sciences? **NĀTŪRĀLĒS QUAESTIŌNĒS** // NATURAL QUESTIONS - [SCORE CHECK] — 5. Whose stories of giving Odysseus his father's bow and being thrown from the walls of Tiryns by Heracles were centered around his Oechalian father Eurytus? **IPHITUS** B1: After Heracles killed Iphitus, he sought out what king to purify him? He would later regret refusing when he lost all but one son. NELEUS B2: In what region, where Pylos is located, did Odysseus and Iphitus meet at the house of Ortilochus? MESSENIA 6. What Roman author based his *Eumenides* and *Hectoris Lutra* on the works of Aeschylus, based his "eating well" on Archestratus of Gela, and his *Euhēmerus* on the poet of the same name? (Q.) ENNIUS B1: What work by what author preserves 11 verses from the Hedyphagetica? APULEIUS' APOLOGIA B2: Similar to the *Euhēmerus*, what other work by Ennius is named after its subject, and is written in trochaic septēnāriī? **EPICHARMUS** 7. What emperor condemned clerics known as the "three chapters" in an attempt to unify the christian church, fought wars against rulers like Vitigis and Totila, and faced the Nika riots with his wife Theodora? JUSTINIAN {I // THE GREAT} B1: What general oversaw campaigns against Vitigis's Ostrogoths in Italy and the Sassanids at Dara? **BELISARIUS** B2: Justinian entrusted a key bureaucrat named Liberius to spearhead the Roman reinvasion of what modern country, assisted by the Visigothic pretender Athanagild?

**SPAIN** 

8. An intricate dance floor on the shield of Achilles is similar to the dance floor of what woman, who bore Staphylus and Oenopion and was honored by the constellation Corona Borealis?

**ARIADNE** 

B1: What woman was seen dancing along the Ilissus River and abducted by a wind god?

OR(E)ITHYIA

B2: What choral dance was performed by the followers of Pelops while celebrating their conquest of Pisa?

- [SCORE CHECK
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9. Who uses the term "prooimon," or prelude, to describe the *Homeric Hymn to Apollo* when he quotes it in his *History*, which also recounts the Melian dialogue and Pericles's funeral oration?

**THUCYDIDES** 

B1: Lines 1-178 of the *Homeric Hymn to Apollo* deal with what location that was sacred to Apollo?

DELOS

B2: Thucydides verifies the accuracy of the dates he reports by cross-triangulating the eponymous ephors of Sparta, archons of Athens, and high priests of what city?

**ARGOS** 

10. Although unsuccessful attempts were made by the Rus in 860 A.D. and by the Umayyad Caliphate in 717 A.D., what was successfully carried out in 1204 A.D. by the 4th crusade and in 1453 A.D. by the Ottomans?

## {SIEGE / SACK / CAPTURE} OF CONSTANTINOPLE

B1: The 4th Crusade's decision to attack Constantinople was heavily influenced by the presence on the expedition of Enrico Dandolo, the Doge of what Italian city?

VENICE

B2: Who was the Byzantine emperor who tried and failed to defend the city from the Ottomans in 1453 A.D.?

#### CONSTANTINE XI

11. What work, a part of which was rediscovered in the Codex Traguriensis, sees its narrator discuss the decline of oratory, get involved in the rites of Priapus with a random woman, and attend a party led by the freedmen of a rich and tasteless man?

**SATYRICŌN** 

B1: Who is the rhetoric teacher the narrator Encolpius discusses the decline of oratory with?

**AGAMEMNON** 

B2: Who is the woman who involves Encolpius and company in the rites of Priapus?

**QUARTILLA** 

12. What group, the first to build ships and fit them with sails, were born from the grief in solitude of a son of Zeus who watched his island become populated with transformed ants?

**MYRMIDONS** 

B1: The Myrmidons eventually migrated from Aegina to what Thessalian city with Peleus?

**PHTHIA** 

B2: The eponym of the Myrmidons was the father of Eupolemeia, and thus grandfather of what Argonaut who had an unfailing memory?

**AETHALIDES** 

13. Who declared that more men worship the rising sun than the setting sun when demanding that his defeat of Iarbas and Domitius Ahenobarbus be rewarded with a triumph by Sulla, who had given him the ironic nickname "Magnus?"

## POMPEY / CARLSEN

B1: Pompey became important to Sulla's cause by virtue of being the largest landowner in what Italian region?
PICENUM
B2: Sulla did not mention Pompey in his will partially due to the latter's support for what ambitious politician, who led an insurrection after Sulla's death?
AEMILIUS LEPIDUS
[SCORE CHECK]
14. What man, the lead of a posthumously produced tragedy, spends his final days in a village in Athens where he stays with his daughter and curses his quarreling sons?
OEDIPUS
B1: Why does the play Oedipus at Colonus feature an ode to the village?
IT IS THE BIRTHPLACE OF SOPHOCLES
B2: The place Oedipus initially chose to sit down at turned out to be sacred to what mythological group?
FURIES / EUMENIDES
[FINAL SCORE CHECK]

0. "Deciduous" is the first type of what objects, which tend to "erupt" at around 6 months into life and if left untreated after interacting with copious amounts of goldfish will develop cavities?

TEETH

B1: What animal's notable body part is actually a tooth that some people think is a horn?

**NARWHAL** 

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1. What color forms the names of a pair of siblings who allied with the suitors, a Greek seer who used his prophetic powers to help his brother Bias, and the nickname of Heracles that described his bottom?

BLACK / μέλας

B1: What pair of brothers had been warned of a man with a "black-bottom," Heracles, and only found out they had messed with him while he carried them?

**CERCOPES** 

B2: What was the Greek for the nickname that referred to Heracles?

### MELAMPYGOS / MELAMPYGUS

2. What work identifies the primary cause of its events as "mos partium et factionum," features a speech about rebelling against the "paucī," and details the first time "men dared to oppose the insolence of nobility"?

### BELLUM IUGURTHĪNUM

B1: What tribune delivered that speech urging the people to rebel against the "paucī"?

(C.) MEMMIUS

B2: In Marius's speech he talks about the establishment of an aristocracy centered around what concept? A Latin word is required.

**VIRTŪS** 

3. What author, who wrote about the periods of history before and after Polybius's in his lost *Historical Commentaries*, wrote a 17-book encyclopedia of countries that criticized Eratosthenes's work and somehow defended Homer as a geographer?

**STRABO** 

B1: Where in the Pontus was Strabo born?

**AMASEA** 

B2: What queen of Pontus was perhaps the person Strabo initially wrote his *Geography* for?

**PYTHODORIS** 

4. Referred to as a "wall-growing creeper" by Constantine, what emperor wrote a history that began with the line "**Inde berzobim, deinde Aizī prōcessimus**," and built a bridge across the Danube designed by Apollodorus of Damascus?

**TRAJAN** 

### SELINUS / TRAIANOPOLIS

**MITHRAS** 

B2: The imperial stopgap Nerva perhaps felt compelled to elevate a commander like Trajan following a revolt led by which spooky Praetorian Prefect? **CASPERIUS AELIANUS** ———— [SCORE CHECK] ——— 5. Biga is the modern name of what river, the site of a battle that saw the armor of Achilles donned by Alexander the Great and Cleitus the Black save Alexander's life in 334 B.C.? **GRANICUS (RIVER)** B1: What object did Alexander slice apart after the battle between a draw-pole and wagon? **GORDIAN KNOT** B2: What man would have killed Alexander had Cleitus the Black not sliced his arm off? **SPITHRIDATES** 6. Initially overshadowed by the eunuch Basil Lekapenos, what Byzantine emperor chose to never marry during his 49 year reign and is known as "the Bulgar Slayer" for his conquest of Bulgaria? BASIL {II // THE BULGAR SLAYER} B1: What Shia caliphate, based in Egypt, did Basil clash with in Syria during his reign? FATIMID (CALIPHATE) B2: What name is shared by two generals, surnamed Phokas and Skleros, who led revolts against Basil II for the first decade-plus of his reign? **BARDAS** 7. What conflict, which Ennius claims was won due to the "peddling" tendencies of Rome's mercantile opponent, saw battles at such locales as the Lipari Islands, Panormus, and Aegates Islands? FIRST PUNIC WAR B1: What impetuous consul failed to make the Carthaginians pay for their half measures by blundering into a defeat at the Lipari Islands? (CN. CORNELIUS) SCIPIO ASINA B2: Members of what family adopted the elephant as a type of family badge following the action at Panormus? **METELLĪ** 8. In Catullus 35, the poet Caecilius is said to be writing a poem about which deity, whose priests, the Galli, were the namesake of the galliambic meter used in Catullus 63 to capture the frenzy of Attis? CYBELE // MAGNA MATER B1: What region in Anatolia is associated with the worship of Cybele? **PHRYGIA** 

B2: What cult borrowed the practice of baptism in blood from the cult of Cybele?

- [SCORE CHECK] ————

9. Who was thrown down the Gemonian stairs on October 18th after being denounced in a letter read by Memmius Regulus, ending his hope to marry Livilla and become more than Tiberius's praetorian prefect?

**SEJANUS** 

B1: What woman, who wrote several letters to Tiberius in support of Huell Babineaux, also precipitated Sejanus's downfall by writing the emperor a letter detailing the prefect's abuses?

ANTONIA (THE ELDER // MAIOR)

B2: When Regulus began reading the letter, Sejanus was under the impression that it would contain Tiberius' official declaration granting him what specific power?

## TRIBŪNĪCIA POTESTĀS // TRIBUNICIAN POWER

10. What **cōnsulāris Liguriae et Aemiliae** defeated Arianism in the west at the council of Aquileia, commented on the six days of Creation in his *Hexameron*, and detailed precepts of living and instructions for priests in his *Dē Ōfficiīs Ministrōrum*?

(ST.) AMBROSE

B1: He engaged in a dispute with what other author over the Altar of Victory?

**SYMMACHUS** 

B2: Although Ambrose may be the "father of church song," what author deserves credit for the first hymns in Latin whose author is known?

HILARY (OF POITIERS)

11. What man, whose visit to Oeneus stopped two men fighting on the Trojan battlefield, fathered Isander and Hippolochus with Philonoe after defeating the Solymi and Amazons?

**BELLEROPHON** 

B1: In the Iliad we also learn that Bellerophon killed what Tirynian queen?

ANTEIA

B2: Before Glaucus's story, Diomedes spoke of not wanting to wound him in case he is a god, citing what blinded king as an example?

LYCURGUS

12. Rectangles, squares, irregular shapes, and net-like arrangements are all patterns on what sort of objects, whose construction methods are known as **quadrātum**, **incertum**, and **rēticulātum**?

WALL(S)

B1: Name a wall-facing other than quadrātum, incertum, and rēticulātum.

## TESTĀCEUM or QUASI RĒTICULĀTUM or ĀFRICĀNUM or VITTĀTUM or MIXTUM

B2: Name any of the three main sizes of bricks.

## BESSALES or SESQUIPEDALES or BIPEDALES

13. The gods are said to have dropped honey onto the lips of what author, who learned the flute from his uncle Scopelinus and was encouraged to make more mythological references by his rival Corinna?

**PINDAR** 

B1: Noticeably, and perhaps dangerously, many of Pindar's patrons held what political office?

**TYRANT** 

32: What poet, renowned for his 'hissless hymns' that omitted any 's' sounds, taught Pindar the art of the ithyramb?
LASUS (OF HERMIONE)
[SCORE CHECK]
4. Ultimately replaced by <b>graphē paranomon</b> , what phenomenon was thought to have been a "fate which did not deserve" the low-born Hyperbolus, though it did befit such great men as Themistocles in 71 and Aristides in 482 BC?
OSTRACISM
31: What relative of Peisistratus was the first man to be ostracized?
HIPPARCHUS (SON OF CHARMES)
32: To whose court did Themistocles flee to after being ostracized?
ARTAXERXES I
[FINAL SCORE CHECK]

0. If you travel often or frequently watch movies you are more likely to experience what phenomenon, a French loanword that describes someone being in a present situation and feeling like they have experienced the same situation in the past?

**DEJA VU** 

B1: A homophone, Daeja, is a dragon that can be found in what League of Legends version of Dota 2 Autochess?

TFT // TEAM FIGHT TACTICS

## Moderator says: "Subsequent questions will count for points. Good luck and have fun!"

1. Along with Gaius Fabricius, what plebeian commander was idealized by Cato the Elder as a model of rustic virtue, and is known for commissioning the Anio Vetus as censor in 272 B.C. and for defeating Pyrrhus at Beneventum?

(M') CURIUS DENTATUS

B1: What foul-mouthed commander, a fellow plebeian, helped Dentatus end the Third Samnite War by defeating the Linen Legion at Aquilonia in 293 B.C.?

(L.) PAPIRIUS CURSOR

B2: After dispatching the Samnites, what other old enemy did Dentatus attack in 290 B.C., imposing on them **cīvitās sine suffrāgiō?** 

**SABINES** 

2. The couplet "[blank] grammaticus, Latīna Sīren, / quī sōlus legit ac facit poētās" describes what author, who edited Lucilius and wrote two poems titled *Dictynna* and *Lȳdia*?

**VALERIUS CATO** 

B1: When it came to being a grammarian, Valerius Cato edited what author who was a granduncle of Pompey?

(C.) LUCILIUS

B2: What work of Valerius Cato is a **libellus** that asserts his free birth and explains that he was orphaned?

INDIGNĀTIŌ

3. What name is found both in a speech about the death of the brother of Lysias and a speech about the murder of an adulterer delivered by Lysias?

**ERATOSTHENES** 

B1: Who is that brother of Lysias that was murdered?

POLEMARCHUS / POLEMARCHOS

B2: What speech of Lysias is rather unique in its contents urging the Greeks to unite against the peril of foreign tyrants?

**OLYMPIC ORATION** 

4. What event saw all the following? The death of Demoleon to avenge Crantor. The death of a couple who were always together, Hylonome and Cyllarus. The flight of a golden bird from under oak trees that was allegedly Caeneus. The death of the initial instigator Eurytion at the hands of Theseus.

LAPITHS v CENTAURS // {WEDDING / MARRIAGE} OF P(E)IRITHOUS and {HIPPODAME / HIPPODAM(E)IA}

B1: Crantor was actually the son of what man, who had an armory at Eleon that Autolycus stole a helmet from?

**AMYNTOR** 

B2: Theseus managed to kill Eurytion using what sort of object, which is also in a constellation commemorating the deeds of Mastusius?

(MIXING-)BOWL

- [SCORE CHECK] ——

5. The rustic piety of the Ambarvalia is addressed in the work of what author, who also addresses the soldier Macer and the birthday boy Cornutus, possibly the Cerinthus who also appears in this author's corpus?

**TIBULLUS** 

B1: Although she is not mentioned within Tibullus's corpus, what woman does Horace reveal as another love interest of Tibullus in Carmen 1.33?

**GLYCERA** 

B2: In Book 1 of the elegies, Tibullus threatens divine retribution against Pholoe, whom he spied sweet-talking which of the poet's love interests?

**MARATHUS** 

6. The Byzantine general Tatikios, the French noble Godfrey of Bouillon, and the Norman adventurer Bohemond led what expedition, which captured Jerusalem at the behest of Urban II in 1099 A.D.?

{1ST / PRINCE'S} CRUSADE

B1: What fanatical monk led the so-called "people's crusade," which was smashed to bits by the Turks before the rest of the First Crusaders arrived?

PETER (THE HERMIT)

B2: During the siege of Antioch, a French mystic named Peter Bartholomew discovered what holy weapon, which had been used by St. Longinus to pierce the side of Christ?

(HOLY) LANCE

7. What city's contentious relationship with Athens included multiple Athenian seizures of their ports at Pegae and Nisaea, this city's tyrant Theagenes supporting the coup of Cylon, and harsh Athenian decrees issued by Pericles which helped spark the Peloponnesian war?

**MEGARA** 

B1: What Archaic age Athenian leader gained his political popularity by seizing the port of Nisaea?

P(E)ISISTRATUS

B2: What political title, used by both Athens and Megara, translates as "war-leader?"

**POLEMARCH** 

8. Perhaps *Harvest Home* indicates that Cos is the birthplace of what author, who wrote about the apotheosis of Hylas, a festival in Alexandria visited by Syracusan women celebrating Adonis, and about 30 bucolics?

**THEOCRITUS** 

B1: In his *Thyrsis*, the shepherd Thyrsis sings a ballad about the afflictions of what notable pastoral character?

**DAPHNIS** 

B2: To what ruler did Theocritus write a panegyric that speaks of their descent from Heracles?

PTOLEMY II (OF EGYPT)

———— [SCORE CHECK] ————

9. What man, either at Maenalus in Arcadia or Onchestus in Boeotia, watched a young man use brushwood sandals and drag cattle backwards before being duped and turned into stone for reporting the crime?

**BATTUS** 

B1: How did Hermes physically hide the fact that he had sacrificed two cows to the gods at the Alpheius river?

### HE BURNED THE HOOVES AND HEADS

B2: After the resolution of the dispute between Apollo and Hermes, Apollo further offerred Hermes the art of divining pebbles which was in the keeping of what nymphs of Mt. Parnassus?

**THRIAE** 

10. An unfinished poem about the death of an adopted child can be found in what work, which reflects the author's improvisation and "celeritās" as he celebrates a statue of Domitian and mourns the death of a sparrow in 32 "sketches" in 5 books?

SILVAE

B1: Poem 5.4, perhaps the most famous of the *Silvae*, is an address to what concept who has abandoned him?

**SLEEP** 

B2: Who is the owner of the parrot, whose death Statius laments?

**MELIOR** 

11. Who leaned a couch and a mattress against a door in the palace complex in a futile effort to stay alive, a far cry from the banquets of 2,000 fish and 7,000 birds he threw after leaving Lower Germania in 69 A.D.?

**VITELLIUS** 

B1: Two days prior to his death, Vitellius's partisans had captured and executed Flavian partisans led by which family member of Vespasian?

**FLAVIUS SABINUS** 

B2: The Flavian legions which defeated the Vitellians at the second battle of Cremona were co-led by Antonius Primus and what other man, who would later be appointed praetorian prefect by Domitian?

**CORNELIUS FUSCUS** 

12. Home to the Classis Moesica and Classis Pannonica, what river formed Rome's border with peoples such as the Huns and Dacians in the Northeast of the empire? DANUBE / DĀNUVIUS [DON'T READ "DĀNUVIUS" IF THEY DON'T SAY IT] B1: What was the Latin name of the Danube?. **DĀNUVIUS** B2: What modern day country, most of whose northern border is made up of the Danube, occupies the area known to the Romans as Thrace? BULGARIA 13. What Athenian, called one of two "pestles grinding down the mortar of war" by Aristophanes, had advocated for the execution of all Mytileneans and died at the second battle of Amphipolis in 422 B.C.? **CLEON** B1: What Spartan general, Aristophanes's other pestle, was Cleon's opponent at that battle? **BRASIDAS** B2: What man, otherwise unmentioned in the histories, argued for leniency towards the Mytileneans? **DIODOTUS** \_\_\_\_\_[SCORE CHECK] \_\_\_\_\_ 14. The view that it was not Prometheus but Phoroneus who discovered the use of fire was a view purported by what city, which was traded to Megapenthes and saw its springs of Asterion and Cephisus dried up by Poseidon after choosing Hera? **ARGOS** B1: What man, a companion of Diomedes, returned to Argos where his son Cometes had taken the throne from Diomedes? **STHENELUS** 

B2: Another change in the rule of Argos was when Danaus managed to take the throne from what man,

——— [FINAL SCORE CHECK] ————

**GELANOR** 

who took the sign of a wolf slaughtering the lead bull to cede his power?

0. Note to players, there will be an extra clue after the question is read twice. Pencil and paper ready. If you were to start with 28 watermelons and buy 6 watermelons per hour, how many watermelons would you have after 78 hours? Extra clue: You can think about the math as the quantity (80-2) times 6 plus 28.

496 WATERMELONS

B1: 6, 28, and 496 are all what sort of number, whose factors, excluding itself, sum up to the number itself?

PERFECT (NUMBERS)

## Moderator says: "Subsequent questions will count for points. Good luck and have fun!"

1. A final resurgence from 745 to 747 A.D., during the reign of Constantine V, marked the temporary end of what phenomenon, which began in the 540s A.D. and would, after passing through Constantinople in 1347 A.D., wipe out at least a third of Europe's population?

{BLACK / BUBONIC} PLAGUE

B1: Constantine V stood by and did nothing while the exarchate of Ravenna and Rome itself were annexed by what people, whose capital was located at Pavia?

LOMBARDS

B2: The sitting pope, Stephen II, traveled to the court of the Frankish king Pepin and anointed him as king in 754 A.D., setting a precedent that would be expanded upon by what son of Pepin?

**CHARLEMAGNE** 

2. Obscure saints such as Chelidonius and Eulalia are joined by famous ones such as Lawrence and Agnes in the 14 hymns of what man's gory *Peristephanon*, which contrasts with the celebratory *Cathamerinon*?

PRUDENTIUS

B1: The Chelidonius and Emeterius who feature in Prudentius's *Peristephanon* were both from what Spanish city, which was also Prudentius's hometown?

CALAGURRIS / CALAHORRA

B2: What work of Prudentius deals with mysteries of the trinity and Christ's passion in hexameters?

**APOTHEŌSIS** 

3. Merry melodies of flutes accompanied the destruction of what structures, which were soon rebuilt using Persian ships and money accrued by Conon, and had linked the port of Piraeus to Athens?

LONG WALLS

B1: What Athenian politician had passed a law forbidding anyone to propose the dismantling of the walls prior to surrendering to Sparta in 404 B.C.?

**CLEOPHON** 

B2: Conon gained the prestige and wealth to return to Athens following his victory over Sparta in what naval battle of 394 B.C.?

**CNIDUS** 

4. A myrtle tree's leaves were pierced with holes by a woman watching what young man exercise, who eventually became a king in Aricia and set up a precinct to Diana after fittingly being torn apart by his horses and revived as Virbius?

**HIPPOLYTUS** 

B1: Where near Rome did Virbius establish the precinct to Diana?

LAKE NEMI

B2: What would women in Troezen dedicate to Hippolytus on their marriage day?

(A LOCK OF) HAIR

— [SCORE CHECK] ———

5. A treaty that was stored in the temple of Semo Sancus confirmed the treaty of isopolity between Rome and which city, where the cutting of poppy-heads signaled Sextus Tarquinius to kill their leaders?

**GABII** 

B1: What city, belonging to the Rutuli, was Superbus besieging when Brutus's rebellion broke out?

**ARDEA** 

B2: Around 485 B.C., the Romans made a treaty of friendship with what tribe, which split the territory of the Aequi from that of the Volsci?

**HERNICI** 

6. Characters such as the bogeyman/ogre Manducus and works such as *Hercules the Tax Collector* characterized what genre, which was popularized in the time of Sulla by Pomponius and Novius?

ATELLAN FARCE

B1: What stock character in Atellan Farce has a name conspicuously similar to that of a famous early comedic playwright?

MACCUS (SIMILAR TO PLAUTUS)

B2: The Atellan farce had a long history as a comic finale that accompanied more serious presentations. What was the Latin term for this role?

**EXODIUM** 

7. What sort of object, which reappeared on Ortygia after being thrown into the Alpheius in the Peloponnese, may have never touched the lips of a poor vineyard owner named Ancaeus and was the mode of transportation used to visit Erytheia by Heracles?

**CUP** 

B1: The waters of the spring Arethusa were also discolored due to the sacrifices of oxen at waht location in the Peloponnese where the Heraean Games were held?

**OLYMPIA** 

B2: A cup by Douris depicts what man being regurgitated from a dragon he slew from the inside, just as Heracles did with a sea-monster to save Hesione?

**JASON** 

8. What Macedonian general, who also wrote a history of Alexander the Great's campaigns, defeated an invasion led by Perdiccas by drowning his troops in the eastern delta of the Nile River in 321 B.C.?

PTOLEMY I

B1: In his history of Alexander's reign, Ptolemy claims that the Macedonian army crossed streams using bridges made of dead Persians after what battle against the Persians in 333 B.C.?

**ISSUS** 

B2: Name either the man who became regent of the Macedonian kings or the man who became strategos of Asia at the conference of Triparadisus in 321 B.C..

ANTIPATER and ANTIGONUS (1) RESPECTIVELY

[SCORE CHECK]

9. Initially existing only as temporary **aestīva** before the invention of **statīva** and **hībernā**, what type of structure became more permanent during Augustus's reign and was laid out using a **grōmā** to measure the **Via prīncipālis**?

(MILITARY) CAMP/ CASTRA

B1: What was the term for the consul's tent in a camp, derived from an outdated term for the Republic's top elected magistrate?

### **PRAETŌRIUM**

B2: What junior magistrate, typically in charge of pay-related functions, was the other official to receive a designated tent in the Roman camp?

**QUAESTOR** 

10. What author tells the love story of Abradates and Panthea and uses Tigranes as an allegory for his teacher Socrates in his *Cyropaedia*, but is more famous for his *Anabasis*?

XENOPHON

B1: What king of Sparta did Xenophon write an encomiastic biography about?

AGESILAUS (II)

B2: What Boeotian friend of his invited Xenophon to join the army of Cyrus the Younger in 401 B.C.?

PROXENUS

11. What emperor, who temporarily esteemed his eunuch Chrysaphius more than his sister Pulcheria, wrote a law code that was published in 438 A.D., and reigned for a then-record 42 years?

THEODOSIUS II

B1: What seemingly meek cousin of his did Theodosius II equip with an army to retake Ravenna from the usurper Johannes in 425 A.D.?

VALENTINIAN III

B2: Before personally stabbing Aetius to death, Valentinian III is recorded as exclaiming, "I am not in danger- I am the danger" to what wife of his, one of Theodosius II's daughters?

(LICINIA) EUDOXIA

12. What specific time finally saw a division of land among Procles and Eurysthenes, Temenus, and Cresphontes after the failed attempts of Aristodemus and Hyllus to reclaim land for the Heraclids?

THIRD {CROP / HARVEST}

B1: Another misinterpretation by the Heraclids was of the phrase "the narrows." What location was the Delphic Oracle referring to with that phrase?

**GULF OF CORINTH** 

B2: The second time they failed to set out was because what man had killed a soothsayer among them named Carnus? **HIPPOTES** 13. Julius Paris reduced to a compendium the work of what author, who subdivided it into topics concerning religion and severity, used it to denounce Sejanus, and drew more from Roman than foreign examples to recount relevant memorable sayings? VALERIUS MAXIMUS B1: What was the title of that work of Valerius Maximus? FACTŌRUM ET DICTŌRUM MEMORĀBILIUM (LIBRĪ NOVEM) B2: What other man composed a compendium of Valerius Maximus's work, though his stops at book 3.2.7? JANUARIUS NEPOTIANUS ———— [SCORE CHECK]———— 14. Who disappointed the Italians when he agreed to fight the Saluvii on behalf of the Massilians, and was executed by Lucius Opimius alongside Gaius Gracchus without granting them the citizenship he had promised as consul in 125 B.C.? (M.) FULVIUS FLACCUS B1: In an attempt to prevent his election to the consulship, influential senators induced what tribune to pass a bill expelling non-citizens from Rome in 126 B.C.? **IUNIUS PENNUS** B2: What Roman consul built upon Flaccus's northern campaigns by defeating the Arvernian king

FINAL SCORE CHECK]

(Q.) FABIUS (MAXIMUS) ALLOBROGICUS

Bituitus near the Isere River in 121 B.C., and was said to have only lost 15 men?

0. What author, in 188 installments, covers famous figures such as Billimer and Ballomar as he narrates events from Romulus to Augustulus in his *History of Rome*?

MIKE DUNCAN

B1: In a subsequent venture, Duncan wrote a panegyrical biography of what French figure?

MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE // GILBERT DU MOTIER

## Moderator says: "Subsequent questions will count for points. Good luck and have fun!"

1. What monarch, who was nearly killed by a falling rock at Delphi while returning from a meeting with the Senate in 172 B.C., carried on his father Attalus I's feud with Macedon to preserve Pergamum's power?

**EUMENES II** 

B1: In 189 B.C., Eumenes persuaded what Roman commander to take harsh punitive measures against the Galatians?

(CN.) MANLIUS VULSO

B2: In contrast to the harsh treatment of the Galatians, the Romans only levied a small fine on what king of Cappadocia, who had rendered material aid to Antiochus III?

ARIARATHES (IV)

2. What man, who is described as "not very powerful in battle nor quite all there in his mind," was honored on his burial mound with his oar after his captain learned that he had broken his neck and died while drinking?

**ELPENOR** 

B1: What crew member of Odysseus when they came to Aeaea heard the singing of Circe and sought her out?

**POLITES** 

B2: What crew member of Odysseus was the one to help Eurylochus and holding sacrificial victims and tying Odysseus to the mast?

PERIMEDES

3. Light, comfortable boots were named after what general, who was acquitted after the disaster at Embata in 356 B.C. and gained fame by introducing longer swords used to defeat a Spartan regiment at Lechaeum in 390 B.C.?

**IPHICRATES** 

B1: Iphicrates's unit at Lechaeum comprised what type of soldier, who threw javelins and carried an eponymous Thracian shield?

PELTAST(S)

B2: The disaster at Embata forced Iphicrates into trial after the bad weather made him unable to help and thus abandon what other general who was clapped at Embata?

4. What work, which contains the earliest idyllic poetry of the Greeks, begins with Trygaeus ascending to heaven to end the war only for the gods to wash their hands of the Greeks and leave it all to the personified War who buries the titular counterpart?

**PEACE** 

B1: Trygaeus managed to get to heaven by riding on what animal?

(DUNG) BEETLE

B2: What work from the year prior questioned the lack of pay for jurors and the corruption that can result from it?

WASPS

– [SCORE CHECK] —

5. What position, held by men like John the Grammarian, the layman Photius, and John Chrysostom, competed with the Roman papacy for prominence, and still leads the Eastern Orthodox church today?

ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH // {PATRIARCH/ARCHBISHOP/BISHOP} OF CONSTANTINOPLE

B1: Relations between the Eastern and Western Churches reached a boiling point during what event in 1054 A.D., which saw 3 western prelates excommunicate the Ecumenical Patriarch, though relations did not completely cease afterwards?

THE GREAT SCHISM (OF 1054)

B2: In an earlier clash between East and West, the papacy "discovered" what famous forged document, which saw Constantine I give the pope the power to crown a Western emperor?

## THE DONATION OF CONSTANTINE

6. The orator Licinius Calvus is praised in Catullus 53 for his attacks on what man, the target of a hostile speech by Cicero in 56 B.C. for testifying against Publius Sestius and a known Caesar loyalist?

(P.) VATINIUS

B1: What speech, delivered in 54 B.C., sees Cicero defend an Aedile (a personal friend) against charges of bribery?

PRŌ PLANCIŌ

B2: What term did Quintilian use to describe Calvus's unique flow?

**SĀNCTITĀS** 

7. What usurper held his own against lesser rivals such as Vetranio and Nepotianus before suffering a crushing defeat at the battle of Mursa against Constantius II in 351 A.D.?

**MAGNENTIUS** 

B1: Magnentius had begun his revolt in 350 A.D. by killing what son of Constantine?

**CONSTANS I** 

B2: What brother of Julian the Apostate did Constantius II leave behind to guard the eastern frontier while the latter went west to fight Magnentius?

(CONSTANTIUS) GALLUS

8. Philostratus famously cataloged the lives of what people, who dominated higher education and popularized oratory and rhetoric, straying away from philosophy under the lead of Herodes Atticus in the 2nd century A.D.?

**SOPHISTS** 

B1: Who was the most distinguished pupil of Herodes Atticus that wrote 55 *Orations* for reading and posterity?

**AELIUS ARISTIDES** 

B2: Philostratus also wrote a life of what holy man from Tyana who predicted Domitian's death?

APOLLONIUS

\_\_\_\_\_[SCORE CHECK] \_\_\_\_\_

9. Who describes with lively freshness various aspects of the festival of St. Felix in his **carmina nātālicia**, but also addresses the widespread apprehension felt for Alaric and the Goths in his town of Nola?

**PAULINUS** 

B1: What was the meaning of the word **nātālicium** in the context of Paulinus and Felix?

IT WAS THE ANNIVERSARY OF (FELIX'S) MARTYRDOM

B2: Paulinus's corpus contains verse epistles that he composed in defense of his heavy involvement in the church that are addressed to what teacher of his?

**AUSONIUS** 

10. What man was leading a group of 300 cavalry when he noticed the glint of a helmet, before capturing the young man Euryalus and killing him in retaliation for Nisus's aggression for trying to salvage the night raid?

**VOLCENS** 

B1: Euryalus was betrayed by the helmet he took from what man, perhaps the son of Neptune who was immune to fire and steel?

**MESSAPUS** 

B2: Nisus's aggression started off by throwing a spear for Volcens that actually killed what companion of Volcens instead?

**SULMO** 

11. Who began his public career by prosecuting Servilius the Augur, was made the guardian of Faustus Sulla, and before being replaced by Acilius Glabrio oversaw campaigns with Gaius Triarius against Mithridates?

LUCULLUS

B1: Servilius the Augur became an enemy of Lucullus's family by prosecuting and exiling his father for his misconduct while stationed on Sicily during what war?

SECOND SERVILE WAR

B2: As consul in 74 B.C., Lucullus advised sending what man to deal with rampaging Cilician pirates?

(M.) ANTONIUS CRETICUS

12. Marcus Valerius is the first known member of what college of priests, who place a curse on Rome and ritually kill a pig after hurling a spear into enemy territory or a special area in the temple of Bellona? FĒTIĀLĒS / FETIALS B1: What object would the fetiales use for the ritual killing of the pig? LAPIS SILEX B2: Another college of priests, the epulones, arranged what event held for senators after the sacrifices at festivals of Jupiter Optimus Maximus? **EPULUM IOVIS** 13. What Roman historian, whose objectivity and insight were praised by Polybius and Dionysius of Halicarnassus, wrote in Greek a history that perhaps included Hannibal's take on the Second Punic War? **CINCIUS ALIMENTUS** B1: What magistracy did Alimentus hold in 210 B.C.? **PRAETOR** B2: Polybius praises Alimentus's objectivity in covering the Second Punic War while criticizing the pro-Roman Fabius Pictor and what pro-Carthaginian historian? **PHILINUS** ———— [SCORE CHECK] ——— 14. The Persian commander Megabates intentionally bungled what man's invasion of Naxos in 499 B.C., which prompted this tyrant to resign his office and travel to Athens and Sparta, seeking aid for his rebellion against the Persians in Ionia? **ARISTAGORAS** B1: Who supposedly brought a curse upon the Alcmaeonid house by killing Cylon's followers in 632 B.C.? **MEGACLES** B2: What Persian commander trapped an Athenian force at Prosopitis in 453 B.C.? **MEGABAZUS** 

-----[FINAL SCORE CHECK] -----

### EEL 2 - Round 5

# Moderator says: "I will read one test question for no points. This question is not reflective of the content of the round or tournament."

0. Known for its insane drops in difficulty and unnecessarily long winded questions, what tournament popularized the 2v2 double elimination format in certamen?

EEL 2

B1: What well respected and well run tournament usually occupies this slot in mid-August?

PCL // PREMIER CERTAMEN LEAGUE

## Moderator says: "Subsequent questions will count for points. Good luck and have fun!"

1. What region, said to still contain a Druid population in the 4th century A.D. by the poet Ausonius, was handed over to the Visigoths by the Romans in 418 A.D. and was separated from the Gauls by the Garumna river according to Caesar?

AQUITAINE / AQUĪTĀNIA

B1: What is the modern name for the Garumna River?

**GARONNE** 

B2: What mountain range forms the southern border of Aquitaine?

**PYRENEES** 

2. What two cities supplied colonists for Rhegium, Naxus, Cumae, and Pithecusae, engaged in a war around the end of the 8th century B.C. in Euboea over the Lelantos River plain?

CHALCIS and ERITREA

B1: Name another city founded in northeastern Sicily by Chalcis and Eritrea.

CATANA or LEONTINI

B2: Chalcis and Eritrea had chosen Pithecusae since they could exploit the iron deposits from what nearby island?

**ELBA** 

3. What man, whose quickly cast down purple cloak gave warmth to Odysseus in one of his fake narratives, was the guise Poseidon took on to hype up Idomeneus and was the leader who brought 40 black ships from cities like Pleuron and Calydon in Aetolia?

**THOAS** 

B1: Who was the son-in-law of Oeneus and father of Thoas that Diomedes turned the throne of Calydon over to?

**ANDRAEMON** 

B2: In some stories, Odysseus went on to actually father what grandson of Thoas by an unnamed daughter?

LEONTOPHONUS

4. What name is shared by an obstinate Armenian monarch who was assassinated by Shapur I, a Sassanid king who seized the kingdom of Lazica from Justinian in 541 A.D., and a Parthian ruler who made war on Trajan?

## CHOSROES / KOSROES / KHUSRO / KHUSRAU / OSROES / KHOSROW

B1: What Parthian monarch took offense at Aulus Gabinius' support of a pretender to the throne in 56 B.C.?

ORODES (II)

B2: Just as Justinian and Khusrau signed a treaty of "eternal peace" in 532 A.D., Diocletian signed a similarly optimistic peace treaty with what Sassanid shah in 287 A.D.?

**BAHRAM II** 

——— [SCORE CHECK] ————

5. Around 550 A.D., a man named Gildas wrote a **Dē** Excidiō et Conquestū about what region, which also served as the subject for the Historia Ecclēsiastica Gentis Anglōrum of Bede?

BRITAIN / BRITANNIA

B1: What scientific work of Bede, which was based on the works of Pliny and Isidore of Seville, almost shares a name with a famous work of the 1st century B.C.?

DĒ NĀTŪRĀ RERUM

B2: Men residing at Wearmouth and Jarrow were the subject of a work by Bede that deals with what profession?

**ABBOTS** 

6. What author from Chemmis, who mowed down the children of giants with his vocal sword, declares he will only go over the last year of the war in book 25 of his 48 book war despite using the first eight books to reach the birth of his main character, Dionysus?

**NONNUS** 

B1: What is the Greek name for Chemmis?

PANOPLIS

B2: Who is the king of the Indians in Nonnus's *Dionysiaca?* 

**DERIADES** 

7. Which of the following events, if any, did not occur in the region of Boeotia? The establishment of a village named Hyettus after the murder of Molurus. The mock marriage of Zeus and a wooden statue to try and fix his relationship with Hera. The death of a dragon by biting down on the spiky armor of Menestratus. The mass death of the Ectenes and their king Ogygus.

ALL DID // NONE

B1: Who was the most clever man on earth that gave Zeus that advice?

**CITHAERON** 

B2: Another event in Boeotia was a feast of Poseidon near Onchestus that saw what charioteer killing King Clymenus?

**PERIERES** 

8. Who asserted, "I have been summoned by the tribunes of the plebs to share in the citizenship," when leading 10,000 men towards Rome, defeated and killed Marius' nephew Rutilius Lupus, and was killed by Metellus Pius while leading the Marsi?

(Q.) POPPAEDIUS SILO

B1: What city, which may or may not be the same one where a battle took place in the Samnite Wars, served as the second Italian capital after the fall of Corfinium?

**BOVIANUM (VETUS)** 

B2: What city, initially founded to guard against the Pentri tribe, became the third Italian capital after the fall of Bovianum Vetus?

**AESERNIA** 

——— [SCORE CHECK] ———

9. "Let the pious and godly Christian Epigrams take precedence even if the pagans are displeased," is the preface to what large work, compiled in the 10th century A.D. by Constantine Cephalas that is arranged in 15 books and covers over 1,500 years of writing with over 4,000 short poems?

GREEK ANTHOLOGY

B1: Epigrams for the tombs of young girls but also various animals in the *Greek Anthology* were written by what poetess from Tegea at the end of the 4th century B.C.?

**ANYTE** 

B2: A collection of 60 short poems of what lyric poet, whose wit was new for his time in the 6th century B.C., was appended to the *Greek Anthology*?

ANACREON (OF TEOS)

10. A general named Thomas who led a rebellion in 821 A.D. belonged to what ethnolinguistic group, which overran the Balkans in the 7th century, and still dominate Orthodox-believing countries like Serbia?

**SLAVS** 

B1: What steppe confederacy, which acted at times as allies or overlords of the Slavs, emulated Attila's policy of demanding tribute from the Romans as they menaced the Danube frontier in the 6th and 7th centuries?

**AVARS** 

B2: What Slavic kingdom, which had accepted Roman Catholicism rather than Orthodoxy, was made a Byzantine client state by Basil II?

**CROATIA** 

11. After losing a debate to Sthenelaidas, who had to content himself with cutting down olive trees in Attica during his initial invasion, a stalemate which exemplified most of the first 10 years of the Peloponnesian war, which was named after him?

**ARCHIDAMUS** 

B1: Name the Spartan and Athenian leaders who brokered a peace which ended the Archidamian War.

PLEISTOANAX (SPARTA) AND NICIAS (ATHENS)

B2: Foreshadowing future disasters, the Athenians under Eurymedon were driven from Sicily by what Syracusan leader during the Archidamian war?

**HERMOCRATES** 

12. What name is shared between a judge in Vergil's 3rd Eclogue who is described as " <b>grammaticus ante litteram</b> " and a man who was admired for his verbal facility but condemned for his vicious character to the point that he was not entrusted with boys?
PALAEMON
B1: What somewhat contemporary of Remmius Palaemon also seemed to ride the Vergil hype train and wrote a <i>Contrā Obtrectātōrēs Vergiliī</i> ?
ASCONIUS PEDIANUS
B2: What is the English for the "epithet" Remmius Palaemon conferred upon Varro Reatinus?
PIG
13. Creepily described as having a "mouth designed for a kiss" by the <i>Historia Augusta</i> despite being 9 years old when he died, what emperor was killed at the town of Zeugma fleeing the men who killed his father Macrinus?
DIADUMENIANUS
B1: Macrinus, a renowned jurist, likely extended a discount of 50% off representation for non-violent felonies to the residents of his hometown, Caesarea, in which province?
MAURETANIA
B2: Macrinus gained his throne after what imperial bodyguard slew Caracalla?
(JULIUS) MARTIALIS
[SCORE CHECK]
14. In Shakespeare's <i>Hamlet</i> , Hamlet draws a mythological comparison between his dead father and new father Claudius to the Titan Hyperion and what sort of creature? One was killed by Argus Panoptes when they tried to steal his cattle and another gave their name to a tributary of the Meander that was formed upon their death by the tears of their woodland friends?
SATYR
B1: In Shakespeare's <i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i> , Oberon and Titiana expound quite profusely about the king of Athens, Theseus. Oberon, while giving his piece, talks about how Theseus abandoned Ariadne for what daughter of Panopeus?
AEGLE
B2: Finally, in Shakespeare's <i>Henry VI</i> Part I, Lucy tells us that what animal will make France "afeard"? According to Herodotus, they would live for 500 years and when strong enough, while young, they would carry their dead parent's body to a temple in Egypt where priests would burn the body?

[FINAL SCORE CHECK]

**PHOENIX**