

# **Fall Forum 2012 Upper Level Certamen Round 1**



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Toss-up 1: What was the name of the staff that Hermes bore?

CADUCEUS

Bonus A: What was the name of the broad-rimmed traveller's hat he often wore?

PETASUS

Bonus B: What was the name of Hermes winged sandals?

TALĀRIA

Toss-up 2: Give the perfect active infinitive of legō, legere.

LĒGISSE

Bonus A: Change lēgisse to the present passive infinitive.

LĒGĪ

Bonus B: Change lēgī to the future active infinitive.

LECTŪRUS/-A/-UM ESSE

Toss-up 3: What is the name for the sequence of public offices through which a Roman politician might rise?

CURSUS HONŌRUM

Bonus A: Traditionally, what was the minimum age at which a plebeian might run for consul?

42

Bonus B: What was the Latin phrase used to describe being elected to office at the earliest possible age?

SUŌ ANNŌ

Toss-up 4: Who was Aeneas' first wife?

CREUSA

Bonus A: Whom does Aeneas eventually marry upon his arrival in Italy?

LAVINIA

Bonus B: Whom does Aeneas fight to the death to win Lavinia's hand in marriage?

TURNUS

Toss-up 5: What Latin expression means "without assigning a day"?

SINE DIĒ

Bonus A: What Latin expression, also using the word sine, means "a necessity"?

SINE QUĀ NŌN

Bonus B: What Latin prepositional phrase is an expression that commonly used to mean 'secretly'?

SUB RŌSĀ

Toss-up 6: Where, in 321 BCE, did the Romans surrender to the Samnites?

CAUDINE FORKS

Bonus A: During which war did this disgraceful event take place?

THE SECOND SAMNITE WAR

Bonus B: Who was the Samnite general who sent the Romans 'under the yoke'?

GAIUS PONTIUS

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Toss-up 7: Who was the king of the winds?

AEOLUS

Bonus A: Give the Latin name for two of the winds.

SEE THE NEXT ANSWER

Bonus B: Give the Latin name for two additional winds.

EURUS/NOTUS/AFRICUS/ZEPHYRUS/AUSTER/BOREAS/AQUILO/FAVONIUS/  
SEPTENTRIO

Toss-up 8: Using an ablative absolute, translate the subordinate clause in the following sentence: 'After the town had been captured, the general disbanded his army.'

**OPPIDŌ CAPTŌ**

Bonus A: Using an ablative absolute, translate the subordinate clause in the following sentence: 'While the girls were singing, many young men came to their windows.'

**PUELLĪS CANTANTIBUS/CANENTIBUS**

Bonus B: Using an ablative absolute, translate the subordinate clause in the following sentence: Since Pompey was the leader, the pirates were sore afraid.'

**POMPEIŌ DŪCE/IMPERĀTŌRE OR POMPEIŌ DUCENTE/IMPERĀNTE**

Toss-up 9: What is the name given to the day on which a Roman child received his or her name?

**DIĒS LUSTRICUS**

Bonus A: How many days after he was born did a Roman boy receive his name?

NINE

Bonus B: What was the name of the good luck charm that a Roman child received on the diēs lustricus?

**BULLA**

Toss-up 10: What son of Atreus urged his brother Menelaus to pursue Paris and start the Trojan War?

AGAMEMNON

Bonus A: Who was the daughter of Agamemnon whom he sacrificed so that he might receive favorable winds to sail to Troy?

IPHIGENIA

Bonus B: Who was Iphigenia's brother who avenged his father's murder and killed his mother?

ORESTES

Toss-up 11: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin nouns virī and virēs.

**VIRĪ** = MEN; **VIRĒS** = POWER, STRENGTH

Bonus A: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin nouns āra and arx.

**ĀRA** = ALTAR; **ARX** = CITADEL

Bonus B: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin nouns pavor and pāvō.

**PAVOR** = TERROR, FEAR, PANIC; **PĀVŌ** = PEACOCK

Toss-up 12: In what year did the emperor Nero die?

68 CE

Bonus A: Name the epic writer, author of Pharsālia, who flourished under Nero.

LUCAN

Bonus B: Name the tragic playwright who served a Nero's tutor and was forced by Nero to commit suicide.

SENECA (THE YOUNGER)

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Toss-up 1: What are the names of the twins better known as the Dioscuri?

CASTOR & POLLUX/POLYDEUCES

Bonus A: Which of the Dioscuri was renowned as a boxer?

POLLUX

Bonus B: What king of the Bebryces did Pollux kill in a boxing match during his expedition with the Argonauts?

AMYCUS

Toss-up 2: Give the first person, plural, present, active subjunctive of the verb **faciō, facere**.

**FACIĀMUS**

Bonus A: Keeping the other characteristics else the same, change **faciāmus** to the perfect tense.

**FĒCERIMUS**

Bonus B: Keeping the other characteristics else the same, change **faciāmus** to the passive voice.

**FIĀMUS**

Toss-up 3: Who was consul along with Caius Antonius in 63 BCE?

MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO

Bonus A: Which leader of the Optimates said, "No friend ever served me and no enemy ever wronged me whom I have not repaid in full."

SULLA

Bonus B: About whom did Sulla say, "In him I see many a Marius."

JULIUS CAESAR

Toss-up 4: Who was the first Greek to step ashore at Troy?

PROTESILAUS

Bonus A: What Trojan hero killed Protesilaus as he made landfall?

HECTOR

Bonus B: Who was Protesilaus' wife whom he was allowed to visit for a short time after his death?

LAODAMIA

Toss-up 5: What rhetorical device appears in the following quotation from Cicero:

"... **cum iam nēmō tam improbus, tam perditus, tam tuī similis invenīrī poterit** ..."

HENDIADYS

Bonus A: What literary device might be construed in Mississippi's state motto, '**virtūte et armīs**'?

ANAPHORA

Bonus B: What poetical device relating to word arrangement appears in the following phrase of Vergil:

"... **saevae memorem lunōnis ob iram** ..."

SYNCHESIS or INTERLOCKED WORD ORDER

Toss-up 6: What was the name of the speaker's platform situated at the north end of the forum?

**ROSTRA**

Bonus A: Why is the **rostra** given this name?

IT WAS DECORATED WITH THE BEAKS/RAMS OF SHIPS

Bonus B: At what battle in 338 BCE did the Romans capture the ships from which they obtained these decorations?

ANTIUM

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Toss-up 7: To what Roman god was the holiday **Armilustrum** sacred? This day marked the end of the military campaign season.

MARS

Bonus A: In what month was the **Armilustrum** observed?

OCTOBER

Bonus B: To what Roman goddess were the Kalends sacred?

JUNO

Toss-up 8: What use of the dative appears in the following sentence:

**'sunt mihi duae filiae pulchrae.'**

DATIVE OF POSSESSION

Bonus A: What use of the dative appears in this sentence:

**'aliquid mihi cēnandum est.'**

DATIVE OF AGENT

Bonus B: What use of the dative appears in this sentence:

**'gladii erant inpedimentō Caesarī.'**

REFERENCE, PURPOSE, OR DOUBLE DATIVE

Toss-up 9: Of **lōrīca**, **galea**, **pīlum**, **scūtum**, which was not a part of a Roman soldier's defensive equipment?

**Pīlum**

Bonus A: What was a soldier's **galea**?

HELMET/HEADGEAR

Bonus B: What is the name of the breastplate that was constructed of broad, metallic strips?

**Lōrīca Segmentāta**

Toss-up 10: Who were the opposing leaders in the mythological saga, The Seven Against Thebes?

POLYNEICES and ETEOCLES

Bonus A: Who was the father of Polyneices and Eteocles, whose death created the controversy?

OEDIPUS

Bonus B: Who wrote the drama, which won first prize at the Dionysia, which serves as a primary source for this myth?

AESCHYLUS

Toss-up 11: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin verbs **moror** and **morior**

**MOROR** = DELAY; **MORIOR** = DIE

Bonus A: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin verbs **vereor** and **vēnor**.

**VEREOR** = FEAR; **VĒNOR** = HUNT

Bonus B: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin verbs **fruor** and **fungor**

**FRUOR** = ENJOY; **FUNGOR** = PERFORM

Toss-up 12: What architect and engineer authored the work *de Architectūra*?

VITRUVIUS

Bonus A: Under which emperor's reign did Vitruvius primarily live?

AUGUSTUS

Bonus B: How many books make up Vitruvius' *de Architectūra*?

TEN

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Toss-up 1: On what island did Rhea hide Zeus to prevent him from being eaten alive by his father?

CRETE

Bonus A: What is the name of the woman (or in some myths, the goat) who reared the infant Zeus?

ALMALTHEA or ADAMANTHEA or ADRASTEIA (traditions vary)

Bonus B: Who, according to tradition, danced, sang, and otherwise made noise so that Zeus' father would not hear his crying?

THE CURETES or THE KORYBANTES

Toss-up 2: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin nouns dolor and dolus.

DOLOR = PAIN, GRIEF, SADNESS; DOLUS = TRICK, DECEIPT

Bonus A: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin nouns pecus and pectus

PECUS = HERD, CATTLE; PECTUS = CHEST, HEART

Bonus B: Distinguish in meaning between the Latin nouns quercus and querella

QUERCUS = OAK TREE ; QUERELLA = COMPLAINT, LAMENT

Toss-up 3: Of the emperors Titus, Septimius Severus, Constantine, and Marcus Aurelius, whose exploits were not commemorated with an arch in Rome?

MARCUS AURELIUS

Bonus A: What does the Arch of Septimius Severus commemorate?

HIS VICTORY OVER THE PARTIANS

Bonus B: Name one of Septimius Severus' two sons.

CARACALLA or GETA

Toss-up 4: Who was the daughter of Menelaus and Helen?

HERMIONE

Bonus A: Who is Hermione's cousin, to whom she was betrothed prior to the Trojan War?

ORESTES

Bonus B: According to legend, to what son of Achilles is she betrothed by Menelaus during the Trojan War?

NEOPTOLEMUS/PYRRHUS

Toss-up 5: Give the third person, singular, present active indicative of the verb volō, velle—to want

VULT

Bonus A: Keeping all else the same, change the mood of vult the subjunctive

VELIT

Bonus B: Keeping all else the same, change velit to the imperfect.

VELLET

Toss-up 6: What goddess was brought to Rome after Hannibal was expelled from Italy?

CYBELE

Bonus A: Where did the Romans read that such a foreign deity should be imported if Hannibal was successfully routed?

SYBILLINE BOOKS

Bonus B: By what other name did the Romans know Cybele?

MAGNA MĀTER

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Toss-up 7: What companion of Hector became the trumpeter of Aeneas after Hector's death?

MISENUS

Bonus A: Whom did Misenus unsuccessfully challenge to a musical contest, thus bringing about his death?

TRITON

Bonus B: Who was Aeneas' helmsman whose life was taken as a sacrifice for the Trojans' safe passage to Latium?

PALINURUS

Toss-up 8: What tense of the subjunctive appears in the Latin translation of the dependent clause in the following sentence?

"Caesar asked his soldiers that they come to a meeting in the field."

IMPERFECT

Bonus A: What tense of the subjunctive appears in the Latin translation of the dependent clause in this sentence?

"Everyone knows where Caesar defeated Pompey."

PERFECT

Bonus B: What tense of the subjunctive appears in the Latin translation of the dependent clause in this sentence?

"If their army should come, we would be prepared."

PRESENT

Toss-up 9: Who wrote the didactic poem *De rērum nātūra*?

LUCRETIUS

Bonus A: What school's philosophical tenets does this work intend to elucidate?

EPICUREANISM

Bonus B: Into how many books is this work divided?

SIX

Toss-up 10: What daughter of Pelias demonstrated her loyalty to her husband by volunteering to die in place of him?

ALCESTIS

Bonus A: Who was her husband, whose failure to propitiate the gods, caused her to volunteer?

ADMETUS

Bonus B: Who, as a token of appreciation for the hospitality Admetus had previously shown, wrestled death and rescued Alcestis from the underworld?

HERCULES/HERAKLES

Toss-up 11: What is the Latin expression that is abbreviated **R. I. P.**?

**REQUIESCAT IN PĀCE**

Bonus A: What is the Latin expression abbreviated **v. s.** ? (**BE SURE TO READ THE 'PERIODS' ON THIS ONE!**)

**VIDĒ SUPRĀ**

Bonus B: What Latin expression is abbreviated **S. T. T. L.** ?

**SIT TERRA TIBI LEVIS**

Toss-up 12: In ancient Rome what purpose did an **ustrinum** serve?

CREMATORY/PLACE TO BURN BODIES/FUNERAL PYRE

Bonus A: What was the name for the dovecote-like structures used to house urns?

**COLUMBĀRIUM**

Bonus B: What receptacle, whose name literally means "flesh-eater," was used in the burial of corpses?

**SARCOPHAGUS**

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# Upper Level

Extra Question 1: Whose deified name was 'Quirinus'?

ROMULUS

Bonus A: What Roman landmark preserves his deified name to this day?

QUIRINAL HILL

Bonus B: From what Italian tribe did Titus Tatius come?

SABINE

Extra Question 2: Give the present active infinitive of **ferō, ferre**.

**FERRĪ**

Bonus A: Change **ferri** to the perfect active.

**TŪLISSE**

Bonus B: Change **tūlis** to the future active infinitive.

**LĀTŪRUS ESSE**

Extra Question 3: In what land was the Golden Fleece located?

COLCHIS

Bonus A: Who told Jason and his crew how to pass safely through the Symplegades?

PHINEUS

Bonus B: Of what goddess was Medea a priestess?

HECATE

Extra Question 4: In what city in Africa did Aeneas stop on his way to Hesperia?

CARTHAGE

Bonus A: Who was the queen with whom he stayed there?

DIDO

Bonus B: Who is Dido's sister?

ANNA

Extra Question 5: What is the first principal part of the Latin verb at the root of 'fracture'?

**FRANGŌ**

Bonus A: What is the first part of the Latin verb that is at the root of 'cohesive'?

**HAEREŌ**

Bonus B: What is the first principal part of the Latin verb that is at the root of the word 'translate'?

**FERŌ**

Extra Question 6: Where did Tiberius spend the last years of his reign in seclusion?

CAPRI

Bonus A: In what year did Tiberius die?

37 CE

Bonus B: Who was Tiberius' Praetorian Prefect whom he called **socius labōrum**?

SEJANUS