

BUDDER Lower - Round 1

Moderator says: “I will read one test question for no points. This question is definitely not reflective of the difficulty of the round or tournament. Topics in test questions may appear later in the tournament.”

0. *Note to players: A description is acceptable.* What things disappeared right before Hostilius Mancinus’ campaign against the Numantines, counseled against Tiberius Gracchus’ decision to attend an assembly in the Campus Martius, and were told to “drink” – since they would not “eat” – by Claudius Pulcher before being thrown into the ocean?

SACRED CHICKENS OF ROME

B1: What sound does a chicken make?

BAWK BAWK (ACCEPT EQUIVALENTS)

B2: What sound does a sacred chicken make?

BAWK BAWK (ACCEPT EQUIVALENTS)

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

1. Translate the following sentence into Latin: Vergil writes that two snakes killed the blind priest.

VERGILIUS SCRIBIT {DUŌS / DUĀS} {ANGUĒS / SERPENTĒS / DRACŌNĒS / COLUBRĀS} {NECĀVISSE / INTERFĒCISSE} CAECUM {SACERDŌTEM / VĀTEM}

B1: Translate this sentence into the best classical Latin: I think that Vergil is worthy of being praised.

PUTŌ VERGILIUM DIGNUM ESSE QUĪ LAUDĒTUR

B2: Translate this sentence into Latin, using a subjunctive: I hope that we will always remember Vergil.

SPERŌ FORE UT SEMPER MEMINERĪMUS {VERGILIUM / VERGILIŪ}

2. Before the Argonauts could reach Circe’s island, Castor and Pollux prayed for protection from the noxious fumes of what river, which had sands of amber attributed to the sisters of Phaethon that wept when their brother fell from the sky into it?

ERIDANUS

B1: What Argonaut was sometimes called the grandson of Eridanus, although he is more often known as the son of Teleon that jumped overboard and swam towards the Sirens?

BUTES

B2: What son of Butes encountered a bull from the herd of Heracles, and, believing himself to be the stronger one of the two, wagered his entire kingdom on a boxing match with the stranger?

ERYX

3. What historical couple’s obsession with appearing mythical began when they first introduced themselves as Dionysus and Aphrodite to the Greeks, then when they sat on golden thrones in the Gymnasium robed as Osiris and Isis, alongside their twins named after the sun, Helios, and the moon, Selene?

(MARC) ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA

B1: What king, who ruled Judea at this time, had his valuable balsam gardens at Jericho gifted to Cleopatra?

HEROD I // HEROD THE GREAT

B2: The year afterwards, what Armenian king withdrew his troops from Antony’s Parthian expedition, causing Antony to lose 20,000 men and countless supplies during the disaster?

ARTAVASDES (II)

4. The ending **-ciō** is sometimes used to form what type of noun, which can express contempt, pity, and affection, but as seen in nouns like **ātrium** or **libellus**, more commonly shows size?

DIMINUTIVES

B1: What is the meaning of the diminutive form “**maiusculus**”?

A LITTLE BIGGER

B2: Give two possible diminutives of the noun **homō**, meaning “dwarf”.

ANY TWO OF: **HOMUNCULUS** / **HOMUNCIO** / **HOMULLUS**

5. According to Pausanias, a sanctuary of Apollo at Cumae housed what creature’s tusks, which ravaged Psophis until it was driven out from its lair by shouts, then chased into a snowy mountain by the clever Heracles?

ERYMANTHIAN BOAR

B1: What mountain, similarly covered in snow, was home to wild animals that devoured the Mares of Diomedes upon their release?

(MOUNT) OLYMPUS

B2: What group of Rhodian sorcerers possessed the ability to conjure snow, hail, and rain, which they used to predict the Great Flood and flee to Asia Minor long before it arrived?

TELCHINES

6. First imported to Rome in 268 BC, what object had a massive variant erected in the Campus Martius with an Egyptian obelisk as its **gnomon**, although it was viewed as inferior to the **clepsydra** since it could not be used at night?

SUNDIAL / **SOLARIUM** (PROMPT ON “CLOCK” OR “**HOROLOGIUM**”)

B1: This massive **Horologium** was dedicated to what emperor, who later limited the cost of a **cena nuptialis** to 1,000 sesterces?

AUGUSTUS

B2: What structure, north of the Horologium of Augustus, was also dedicated to Augustus, with bronze tablets of his **Res Gestae** stationed in front?

MAUSOLEUM OF AUGUSTUS

7. To what Latin noun, which is similar to a **tussis** in that it cannot be hidden, does Vergil say “let us too yield”, although an earlier part of that line which appears in Chaucer’s *The Canterbury Tales* claims that it “**omnia vincit**”, or conquers all?

AMOR

B1: Give the Latin for the second part of that famous Vergilian line, meaning “let us too yield to love”.

ET NOS CEDAMUS AMORI

B2: According to Publilius Syrus, what kind of lover **multa mentitur sibi**, or “tells himself many lies”?

AN ANGRY ONE // **IRATUS**

8. Various senators claimed that they were forced to dress as slaves, run alongside chariots, and kiss the feet of what emperor, whose blasphemous acts included driving Judaea and Mauretania to the brink of revolt, having incestuous relations with his sister Drusilla, and forcing his soldiers to collect seashells?

CALIGULA

B1: Caligula ordered his legate Petronius to install a statue of himself in what structure, which would be humiliated centuries later when the two drachma taxes it received annually were redirected to the temple of Jupiter Capitolinus?

TEMPLE AT JERUSALEM

B2: In 40 AD, what city saw a Greek mob force Jews to eat pork in a theater during the celebration of Caligula’s birthday, prompting them to send a delegation led by the Jewish scholar Philo?

ALEXANDRIA

9. *Note to players: a description is acceptable.* What substance, which caused a dove pecking at the wine spilled by Ion to die in agony, had first been given to his ancestor Erichthonius by Athena, as well as to Asclepius, who used the same substance to revive Hippolytus?

(VIALS OF) GORGON’S BLOOD // MEDUSA’S BLOOD

B1: The deadly snakes that formed from the drops of Medusa's blood as Perseus flew over Libya were responsible for the death of what seer that travelled with the Argonauts?

MOPSUS

B2: According to Ovid's *Metamorphoses*, what was seaweed transformed into when Perseus placed Medusa's head onto it?

CORAL

10. What "umpire of civil harmony", upon his death, was too poor to afford a funeral, but was buried by those who he had compared to limbs, and was then honored by the Patricians – whom he had compared to the belly – for his role in convincing the Plebeians to return to Rome after the First Secession?

MENENIUS AGRIPPA

B1: The First Secession of the Plebs may have been sparked by what man's execution, who was holding his third consulship in 485 BC when he was condemned to death by the aristocratic Fabii?

SPURIUS CASSIUS

B2: The laws enacted after the Second Secession of the Plebs dealt with what concept, which was the right of public appeal after being condemned to punishment by a magistrate?

PROVOCATIO

11. What meaning is shared by the noun **maceria**, which appears in Varro's sentence "**locus māceriā saepītur**," as well as the more common noun **pariēs** and the **plūrālia tantum** word **moenia**?

WALL

B1: What other **plūrālia tantum** noun means "ambush"?

INSIDIAE

B2: At one point in the *Metamorphoses*, Ovid describes a **pariēs** with a **tenuis rīma**. What is a **rīma**?

CRACK / CHINK / FISSURE

12. What occupation, which Mestra disguised herself as to escape from her first master, was shared by a man named Damarmenus that discovered the shoulder blade of Pelops, an unnamed man that saved Britomartis, a resident of Anthedon named Glaucus, and a future king of Seriphos that protected Perseus?

FISHERMAN

B1: Poseidon not only gifted the ability of shapeshifting to Mestra but also to what other man, who unsuccessfully attempted to defend Pylos from Heracles by attacking him in the form of an eagle?

PERICLYMENUS

B2: Mestra's shapeshifting abilities might have induced Ovid to say that she married what man with somewhat similar abilities, which he used to steal both the cattle of Eurytus and a helmet from Amyntor?

AUTOLYCUS

13. Who, alongside her large family, sat in the amphitheater of Alexandria to watch thirteen great games of Jupiter, although her angry horse began to run back home at the end of her namesake passage?

AURELIA

B1 & B2: There are two errors in the Aurelia passage I pulled up from a tumblr page, written by the user "mayor mccheese". For five points each, identify the two errors in that passage: **Aurelia, cui in urbs placebat, erat in Aegypto cum familia sua ingenti et equo suo. tredecim ludos magnos Iovis in amphitheatro Alexandriae spectabat. tandem, equus iratus domum recurrere coepit. Eheu!**

NO "IN" BEFORE "URBS" AND A "HIC" BEFORE "EQUUS"

14. *Note to players: A description is acceptable.* What object was surrounded by exaggerated "un-Roman sexual practices" and arranged to be married to Vesta after being enshrined on the Palatine Hill, where it was celebrated by anthems sung by Syrian women from Emesa?

CONICAL BLACK STONE

B1: At what city in 218 AD was Macrinus defeated by the troops of Elagabalus when most of his troops deserted him?

ANTIOCH

B2: Elagabalus' antics, however, caused the Praetorian Guard to murder him and his mother Julia Soaemias as they hid in what kind of building?

LATRINE / BATHROOM

15. What mythological figure, who lived on an island that allowed unsown plants to grow with the rain of Zeus, ignored the warnings of Telemus during his quest for Galatea's love, ultimately regretting it when he was blinded by a man who introduced himself as "Nobody"?

POLYPHEMUS

B1: What king of Tiryns had the walls of his kingdom built by the Cyclopes, although he gave up a large portion of it after his three daughters were cured from madness by Melampus?

PROETUS

B2: What city saw three daughters of Hyacinth sacrificed on a tomb to a Cyclops named Geraestus in a futile attempt to avert a plague brought upon by the prayers of Minos?

ATHENS

16. *Note to players: there will be an extra clue at the end of this sentence. Feel free to wait if you are unsure.* Translate into English the following sentence: "**Nōn ante dormitum ībō quam pēnsa perfēcerō.**" In this sentence, **ante** and **quam** go together with the same meaning as **antequam**.

I WILL NOT GO TO SLEEP {BEFORE / UNTIL} I {FINISH // (WILL) HAVE
FINISHED} (MY) {HOMEWORK / ASSIGNMENTS}

B1: Now translate: "**Horātius sōlus hostēs arcuit dōnec magnō cum fragōre pōns ruptus est.**"

HORATIUS HELD OFF THE ENEMIES ALONE UNTIL THE BRIDGE WAS BROKEN WITH A GREAT CRASH

B2: Now translate: "**Imperātor cēnsuit nōn sibi expectandum esse dum auxilia venīrent, sed statim pugnandum esse.**"

THE GENERAL THOUGHT (THAT) HE SHOULD NOT WAIT {FOR REINFORCEMENTS TO COME // UNTIL
REINFORCEMENTS CAME}, BUT (THAT) HE SHOULD FIGHT IMMEDIATELY

17. According to Lactantius, what man hastily sped along the **cursus publicus**, killing his previous horse each time he changed mounts, until he reached Eboracum, encountered his father on his deathbed, and was proclaimed Augustus in 306 AD, though he would not really solidify his power until 312?

CONSTANTINE (I / THE GREAT)

B1: Though the soldiers proclaimed Constantine Augustus right after Chlorus's death, the title really went to what man, who had been Chlorus' Caesar? He was eventually forced to surrender to Maximian at Ravenna.

(FLAVIUS VALERIUS) SEVERUS (II)

B2: Maximian eventually committed suicide after surrendering to Constantine in what city, which had previously been the site of a naval battle won by Decimus Brutus and Gaius Trebonius?

MASSILIA / MARSEILLES

18. The Old French word *naperon* ("nap-air-on"), which provides us with the English words apron and napkin, is ultimately derived from what Latin word meaning a cloth?

MAPPA

B1: What English word is derived from the Old French word *nonper*, which itself ultimately derives from the Latin words **non** and **par**, though it followed a different path than "nonpareil"?

UMPIRE

B2: What English word, derived from the Northumbrian *nedra* and perhaps connected via its Proto-Indo-European roots to the Latin word *natrix*, denotes a particularly venomous species of snake?

19. What structure was first built with inspiration from the pharaoh Mendes, then imitated by both a Delian dance called the Crane and as well as a seashell brought to the kingdom of Cocalus with the purpose of tricking its inventor, Daedalus?

LABYRINTH

B1: A statue of the pharaoh Amenophis was often associated with what victim of Achilles, who gave his name to the birds that were born from the smoke of his funeral pyre?

MEMNON

B2: The pharaoh Sesostrius was claimed by Pausanias to have colonized what land at the farthest end of the Black Sea, which had its capital at Aea?

COLCHIS

20. Who retired to Liternum and died in peace, a few years after he had disdainfully torn up his brother's account-books to save him from the relentless attacks of Cato the Elder, then escaped a personal charge of suspicious dealings with Antiochus when he had accompanied his brother Lucius to Magnesia?

(P. CORNELIUS) SCIPIO AFRICANUS (THE ELDER)

B1: Livy points out the extraordinary coincidence that three of the best generals of their age all died in 183 BC — Scipio Africanus, the Achaean *strategos* Philopoemen, and what other great foreign commander?

HANNIBAL [Liv. 39.50, but the date of Hannibal's death is sourced]

B2: What Roman general, the victor at the Battle of Gythium, had been sent to the court of Prusias to demand Hannibal's extradition, prompting Hannibal to poison himself?

(T. QUINCTIUS) FLAMININUS