

**2017 NJCL CERTAMEN
ADVANCED DIVISION
ROUND ONE**

1. What author born on July 12, 100 BC led an illustrious political and military life, the latter of which he documented in painstaking detail in his *Commentārī dē Bellō Gallicō*?
(C. JULIUS) CAESAR
- B1: While there are eight books total in the *Commentārī dē Bellō Gallicō*, Caesar only wrote the first seven. What lieutenant wrote the final book of his commentaries?
(A.) HIRTIUS
- B2: What work of Caesar covered his war against Pompey?
(COMMENTĀRĪ) DĒ BELLŌ CĪVĪLĪ / BELLUM CĪVĪLE
2. Using one word, say in Latin: “It’s getting late.”
(AD)VESPERĀSCIT
- B1: Now say in Latin using one word: “The dew will fall.”
RŌRĀBIT
- B2: Now say in Latin using two words: “It was raining for a rather long time.”
DIŪTIUS PLUĒBAT
3. What son of Gaia and Tartarus terrorized the gods until he was buried under Mt. Aetna?
TYPH(A)ON / TYPHOEUS
- B1: After Typhon cut out Zeus’ sinews with a sickle, what two deities stole them back?
HERMES AND AEGIPAN
- B2: Typhon fathered a passel of other monsters with what snake lady?
ECHIDNA
4. According to tradition, what two small groups fought a duel to determine the outcome of a war between Rome and Alba Longa during the reign of Tullus Hostilius?
HORĀTIŪ AND CŪRIĀTIŪ
- B1: After the duel, what incited the one surviving Horatius to kill his sister?
SHE WEPT FOR ONE OF THE CURIATII TO WHOM SHE HAD BEEN BETROTHED
- B2: What was the name of the opposing ruler of Alba Longa?
METTIUS FUFETIUS
5. **Dēscrībāmus nunc proprietātēs dictiōnum in hāc sententiā: Nūllum est iam dictum quod nōn dictum sit prius. Cuius modī est “dictum sit?”**
SUBIUNCTĪVĪ
- B1: **Cuius generis est “Nūllum?”**
NEUTRĪUS
- B2: **Quae pars ōrātiōnis est “prius”?**
ADVERBIUM
6. Perhaps notable for citing earlier writers verbatim and quoting liberally from various documents, what set of amusing imperial accounts aimed to collect and present material that realistically illustrated the lives of 12 men chronologically beginning with Julius Caesar?
DĒ VĪTĀ CAESARUM
- B1: To what praetorian prefect and patron did the Roman biographer Suetonius dedicate his *Dē Vītā Caesarum*?
SEPTICIUS CLARUS
- B2: As a biographer, Suetonius wrote not only about emperors, but also grammarians, philologists, and poets in what work subdivided by genres?
DĒ VIRĪS ILLUSTRIBUS

7. What case is commonly used with the adjectives **aptus**, **propitius**, and **amīcus**? DATIVE
 B1: **Egēnus**, **plēnus**, and **imperītus** are all adjectives that are often used with grammatical case? GENITIVE
 B2: What verb is commonly used with the Genitive form **rērum** when meaning “to gain possession of things”? **POTIOR / POTIRI**
8. What priest prayed to Apollo to send a plague upon the Greek soldiers at Troy because of his harsh treatment at the hands of Agamemnon? **CHRYSES**
 B1: Who revealed to Agamemnon the cause of the plague and how he could stop it? **CALCHAS**
 B2: What was required to stop the plague?
 (AGAMEMNON HAD TO) RETURN CHRYSEIS (CHRYSES’ DAUGHTER)
9. Which emperor of Rome was said to be able to hit the neck of an ostrich at 50 paces, dressed up as Hercules, and participated in gladiatorial combat? **COMMODUS**
 B1: Who was the praetorian prefect who participated in the conspiracy on Commodus’ life? (QUINTUS) AEMILIUS LAETUS
 B2: On what month, day, and year did Commodus die? 31 DECEMBER 192 AD
10. Translate the following sentence into English: **Graecis non a nobis credendum est.**
 WE MUST NOT TRUST THE GREEKS
 PASS OUT VISUAL (give 10 seconds to inspect)
 B1: Whom does the writer of the inscription want the reader to pray for? THE POPE / PONTIFEX MAXIMUS
 B2: What is the tense and mood of **sospitet** in line 3? PRESENT SUBJUNCTIVE
11. Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice; then answer the question that follows in ENGLISH.
Imperator ita apud suos orationem habuit: “videtis, milites, quanta sint hostium copiae et quam inexpugnabilem locum teneant. Si eos statim adoriemur, sine dubio magnam cladem accipiemus. Sin autem illi, loco relicto, nos aggrediantur, bonam spem victoriae habeamus.
 Question: Name one of the two things of which, according to the commander, the soldiers should take notice?
 HOW LARGE / THE SIZE OF THE ENEMY (TROOPS)
 or HOW IMPREGNABLE THE LOCATION THE ENEMY HOLD IS
 B1: According to the commander, what will happen if they attack the enemy immediately?
 THEY WILL SUFFER A GREAT DEFEAT / THEY WILL LOSE
 B2: According to the commander, what gives the soldiers the best chance of victory?
 WAIT FOR THE ENEMY TO ABANDON THEIR POSITION / ATTACK
12. Whose “savage indignation” provided entertainment for elite Romans and had a lasting effect on Renaissance and later satire, as his writings attack decadence, cheats and swindlers, legacy hunters, women, and nearly everyone in Roman society? (D. IUNIUS) JUVENAL(IS)
 B1: What emperor did Juvenal offend in his satires, which led to his eventual banishment? DOMITIAN
 B2: In what meter were Juvenal's satires written? DACTYLIC HEXAMETER

- 13: Differentiate in meaning between the nouns **apis** and **lapis**.
APIS – BEE; **LAPIS** – STONE, ROCK, GEM
- B1: Differentiate in meaning between the noun **umerus** and the adjective **ūmidus**.
UMERUS – SHOULDER, UPPER ARM; **ŪMIDUS** - WET / MOIST
- B2: Differentiate in meaning between the nouns **fānum** and **faenum**.
FĀNUM - TEMPLE / CONSECRATED PLACE / SANCTUARY; **FAENUM** - HAY
- 14: What deity was born on the island of Ortygia and shortly thereafter aided in the birth of Apollo, her twin brother?
ARTEMIS / DIANA
- B1: Who was the mother of Apollo and Artemis?
LETO
- B2: What monster did Hera cause to pursue Leto while she was passing through Delphi in search of a place to give birth?
PYTHON
- 15: What tribune of the Praetorian Guard assassinated Caligula in 41 AD?
(CASSIUS) CHAEREA
- B1: What commander of the legions in the Upper Rhine had created a plot to assassinate Caligula two years earlier?
(GNAEUS CORNELIUS) LENTULUS GAETULICUS
- B2: The conspiracy involved elevation of what Roman to the throne in place of Caligula?
(MARCUS) AEMILIUS LEPIDUS
- 16: Who flew past by his grandfather Atlas when traveling to Carthage in Book 4 of the *Aeneid*?
MERCURY
- B1: As Dido suffered in agony on her funeral pyre, whom does Juno send to shorten her painful death?
IRIS
- B2: Where does Aeneas next see Dido?
IN THE UNDERWORLD
- 17: What English verb, derived from the Latin adjective **tālis**, means "to return like for like"?
RETALIATE
- B1: What English adjective, meaning "lofty in thought" is derived from the Latin noun **līmen**?
SUBLIME
- B2: What colloquial English noun, meaning "something easy," is derived from the Latin verb **cingō**?
CINCH
- 18: Notable for his inclusion of speeches and vivid narratives, what historian traveled to Rome with an initial interest in philosophy, but later devoted his time to writing a massive annalistic history called the *Ab Urbe Conditā*?
(T.) LIVIUS / LIVY
- B1: What emperor facetiously labeled Livy as "Pompeian" because of his Republican ideals, although he himself wished to restore ancient moral and religious values?
AUGUSTUS
- B2: What future emperor did Livy encourage to write history?
CLAUDIUS
- 19: For the verb **faciō**, give the 1st person singular pluperfect active subjunctive. **FĒCISSEM**
- B1: Make that form passive. **FACTUS, -A, -UM ESSEM**
- B2: Make that form imperfect. **FIEREM**

20: What Latin term was used for the folding-chair with curved ivory legs used by senators?

SELLA CŪRŪLIS

B1: What term describes a solid, straight, high-back chair with arms?

SOLIUM

B2: What type of relatively comfortable chair lacked arms, possessed a curved back, and was originally only used by women?

CATHEDRA

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ROUND TWO**

- 1: Into what were the grieving sisters of Phaëthon transformed? POPLAR (TREE)S
B1: Into what were their tears transformed? AMBER
B2: Into what was Phaëthon's friend Cygnus transformed? SWAN
- 2: Make the adjective **frūgī** Accusative plural. FRŪGĪ (It is indeclinable.)
B1: Make the phrase **frūgī calcar** comparative plural. FRŪGĀLIŌRA CALCĀRIA
B2: Make that phrase superlative. FRŪGĀLISSIMA CALCĀRIA
- 3: What Latin adjective, with what meaning, is the ultimate root of the English word "exasperate"? ASPER (-A-UM) - HARSH/ROUGH/VIOLENT
B1: What Latin verb, with what meaning, is the ultimate root of the English word "author"? AUGĒŌ / AUGĒRE - INCREASE
B2: What Latin verb, with what meaning, is the ultimate root of the English word "decide"? CAEDŌ / CAEDERE - CUT/KILL
- 4: What fifteen-book narrative poem on the history of the Roman people from the fall of Troy to the capture of Ambracia and triumph of Fulvius was an attempt by the author to outdo the *Bellum Poenicum* by using less archaic vocabulary and replacing Saturnian verse with dactylic hexameter? (LIBRĪ) ANNĀLĒS
B1: While the *Annālēs* by Ennius was originally fifteen books, he later decided to add how many more books featuring the deeds of lesser-known officers in the wars against the Istrians, Ligurians, and other minor tribes? THREE
B2: While Ennius strayed from Naevius' writing style for epic poetry, he followed his predecessor's innovation when he wrote the *Ambracia*. What is the Latin term for this style of Roman tragedy? FĀBULA(E) PRAETEXTA(E)
- 5: What emperor, in an effort to relieve financial problems caused by raising soldiers' pay, increased the taxable population through an edict known as the *Cōstitūtīō Antonīniāna*? CARACALLA / (M.) AURELIUS ANTONINUS ("MARCUS AURELIUS" IS WRONG)
B1: Caracalla had demanded to marry the daughter of what Parthian king? ARTABANUS (V)
B2: Near what city was Caracalla assassinated? CARRHAE
- 6: Translate the following sentence into English: **Corvus nōs monet nē silvam intrēmus.**
THE RAVEN IS WARNING US NOT TO ENTER THE FOREST
B1: Translate this sentence: **Sī silvam intrēmus, moriāmur.**
IF WE SHOULD ENTER THE FOREST, WE WOULD DIE.
B2: Translate this sentence: **Corvō monente, silva nōbīs semper timenda est.** WITH THE RAVEN
WARNING / WHEN A RAVEN WARNS, WE ALWAYS SHOULD FEAR THE FOREST.

- 7: Which of Cadmus' grandsons succeeded him as king of Thebes but died young because of his opposition to his cousin, Dionysus? PENTHEUS
 B1: Who was Pentheus' mother, who helped tear him apart and brought his head down the mountain to show the townspeople of Thebes? AGAVE
 B2: What young son of Cadmus succeeded Pentheus, though the real power lay with his father-in-law, Nycteus? POLYDORUS
- 8: What Latin elegist, declaring himself to be the "Roman Callimachus," wrote four books of elegies in which the attention of his romantic affection is Cynthia? (SEX.) PROPERTIUS
 B1: According to Apuleius, what was the real name of Cynthia? HOSTIA
 B2: About what work did Propertius say, "*nesciō quid māius nāscitur Īliade*"? AENEID
- 9: During the reign of Tiberius, what Numidian chieftain revolted against Rome? TACFARINAS
 B1: What legate all but trapped Tacfarinas in a network of small field fortifications but was recalled before final victory? (QUINTUS) IUNIUS BLAESUS
 B2: What legate is credited with ending the war against Tacfarinas in 24 AD? (PUBLIUS CORNELIUS) DOLABELLA
- 10: What do the verbs **pellō**, **poscō**, **spondeō**, and **dō** have in common with respect to their 3rd principal parts? REDUPLICATIVE
 B1: What do all of the following verbs have in common with respect to case usage: **egeō**, **careō**, **vescor**? TAKE THE ABLATIVE
 B2: What irregularity do all of the following verbs have in common: **secō**, **sonō**, **micō**? IRREGULAR PERFECT (3rd PP) /ALL GO -UĪ
- 11: Make the phrase **īdem ferōx exercitus** Genitive plural. EÖRUNDEM FERÖCIUM EXERCITUUM
 B1: Make that phrase Accusative singular. EUNDEM FERÖCEM EXERCITUM
 B2: Make that phrase Dative. EĪDEM FERÖCĪ EXERCITUĪ
- 12: Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice; then answer the question that follows in LATIN.
Athēniēnsēs, cum tot cīvitatēs dēfēcissent, tamen immōtam cōstantiam praestābant. Quī quamquam ipsī duās totīus classis partēs praebēbant, libenter Lacedaemōniūs summam potestātem non sōlum terrā sed etiam marī permīsērunt.
 Question: **Quī potestātem ab Athēniēnsibus recēpērunt?** LACEDAEMONĪ
 B1: **Quibus in locīs Lacedaemōniū hāc potestāte ūtī potuērunt.** NŌN SŌLUM TERRĀ SED ETIAM MARĪ
 or TERRĀ ET MARĪ or TERRĀ MARĪQUE
 B2: **Cūr ēvēnit ut Athēniēnsibus tanta potestās trādenda esset?** TOT / MULTAE CĪVITĀTĒS DĒFĒCERANT / DĒFĒCĒRUNT

- 13: What is the modern name of the Roman city of Olisipo? LISBON
PASS OUT VISUAL (give 5 seconds to inspect)
- B1: Give the letter that corresponds with the modern country where you would find the Roman city of Arretium. C
- B2: Give the letter that corresponds with the modern country where you would find the Roman city of Tarsus. D
- 14: What literary device other than assonance, consonance, and alliteration can be found in the following lines from Vergil's *Aeneid*? **Illī indignantēs magnō cum murmure montis circum claustra fremunt.** (Book I.55-56) ONOMATOPOIEA
- B1: What literary device other than assonance, consonance, and alliteration can be found in the following adapted from Vergil's *Aeneid*? **pater omnipotēns mōlemque et montēs īnsuper altōs imposit.** (Book I.60-62) HENDIADYS
- B2: What literary device other than assonance, consonance, and alliteration can be found in the following lines from Vergil's *Aeneid*? **ūnā Eurusque Notusque ruunt crēberque procellīs Āfricus.** (Book I.85-86) POLYSYNDETON
- 15: Give the two distinct genitive singular forms and meanings for the Nominative form **frōns**.
(FRŌNS,) FRŌNDIS (f.) – (OF) LEAF / FOLIAGE
(FRŌNS,) FRŌNTIS (f.) – (OF) FRONT / FOREHEAD / BROW
- B1: Distinguish in meaning between **geminus** and **gemitus**. GEMINUS – TWIN
GEMITUS – GROAN / SIGH / COMPLAINT / PAIN
- B2: Distinguish in meaning between **vellus** and **vēlum**. VELLUS – WOOL / FLEECE
VĒLUM – AWNING / CLOTH / COVERING / CURTAIN / SAIL / VEIL
- 16: Who was not allowed to sail on the Argo as it would have caused dissension among the crew but was allowed into the Calydonian Boar hunt and was the first to wound the boar? ATALANTA
- B1: Who was Atalanta's father? IASUS / SCHOENEUS / MAENALUS
- B2: What animal suckled Atalanta when her father exposed her in a forest as a child? (SHE-)BEAR
- 17: At what battle in 206 BC, did Scipio, the future Africanus, overwhelmingly defeat Carthaginian forces in Spain? ILIPA
- B1: What two Carthaginian leaders were defeated at Ilipa by Scipio, the future Africanus? MAGO AND HASDRUBAL GISGO / GISCO
- B2: What Spanish city was captured by Scipio three years prior to the Battle of Ilipa with the aid of low tides resulting from an eclipse? NEW CARTHAGE / CARTHAGO NOVA
- 18: Translate the following sentence into Latin: If only we had waited!
UTINAM / Ō SĪ (NŌS) MĀNSSISSĒMUS
- B1: Say in Latin: Let us respond as quickly as possible! RESPONDEĀMUS QUAM CELERRIMĒ!
- B2: With three words, say in Latin: What should we say to the moderator?
QUID MODERĀTŌRĪ DĪCĀMUS / LOQUĀMUR?

- 19: What sister of Meleager and wife of Heracles caused Heracles' death? DEIANEIRA
- B1: Who had given Deianeira what he called a "love potion" that she put on a robe that poisoned Heracles? NESSUS
- B2: Deianeira used the "love potion" because she was jealous of Heracles' affection for what princess? IOLE
- 20: What Latin poet socialized among those whom Cicero called "**dēlicāta iuventūs**," rejecting the ideals of early Rome and embracing instead Hellenistic Greek culture, which thus influenced his writing style and even his content, since in these circles he found the subject of his love poetry, Lesbia? (C. VALERIUS) CATULLUS
- B1: According to the later author Apuleius, Lesbia was actually a pseudonym for what noteworthy woman? CLODIA
- B2: At the encouragement of his politically active friend Gaius Licinius Calvus, Catullus involved himself in a literary campaign attempting to smear the image of what successful general and politician? (C. JULIUS) CAESAR

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ROUND THREE**

- 1: Give a Latin synonym for **grex**.
CATERVA / VULGUS / PECŪ / PECUS / AGMEN / EXERCITUS
- B1: Give a Latin synonym for **trāmēs**. **SEE BELOW**
- B2: Give two more synonyms of **trāmēs**. **VIA / ITER / CURSUS / SĒMITA / ACTUS / LĪMES**
- 2: What was the term for the trustworthy slave that accompanied the boy of a rich family to school?
PAEDAGŌGUS / PEDISEQUUS / COMES / CUSTŌS / MONITOR / RĒCTOR
- B1: What type of slave accompanied his master and prompted him if he forgot the name of someone who greeted him? **NŌMENCLĀTOR**
- B2: What type of slave operated similarly to a butler and was responsible for doing the buying, keeping the accounts, and supervising the house and furniture? **ĀTRIĒNSIS**
- 3: **Pauper aquae, nōtus animī paternī, and integer vītae scelerisque pūrus** are all examples of what use of the Genitive? **SPECIFICATION / RESPECT**
- B1: **Īnstar** is an example of a word that is often seen with the Genitive. Many more words that expect a Genitive are postpositional. Give an example. **CAUSĀ, GRĀTIĀ, ERGŌ**
- B2: Using **causā** and a gerund, say in Latin: for the sake of sparing the hostages.
OBSIDIBUS PARCENDĪ CAUSĀ
- 4: Who is being described by the following sentences? Macrobius writes of him as one “born in the Veneto of country parents and brought up amongst the woods and shrubs.” According to Donatus, his father is sometimes described as a potter and a courier who married the boss’s daughter. He received education in Cremona and Milan, and he associated with Epicureanism. He eventually joined the literary circle of Maecenas and became acquainted with Augustus. His works sang of pastures, fields, and leaders. **(P.) VERGIL(IUS MARO)**
- B1: Which of Vergil’s works covering the idyllic life included allusions to the coming birth of a child who will lead a “golden age,” which some, namely Christians, believed to be the advent of a Messianic figure? **ECLOGUES / BUCOLICS**
- B2: Vergil’s second work, the *Georgics*, explores agriculture and is influenced by the Greek Hesiod’s *Works and Days*. What Latin didactic poem with the goal of explaining Epicureanism to a Roman audience served as a model for this genre and style? **DĒ RĒRUM NĀTŪRĀ**
- 5: Who in the Underworld is stretched over nine acres while vultures eat his liver? **TITYUS**
HAND OUT THE VISUAL (give 5 seconds to inspect)
- B1: Which letter represents the son of Zeus and Pluto? **A**
- B2: Which letter represents the father of the centaurs? **D**

- 6: Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice; then answer the question that follows in LATIN.
Caesar, cum dē actīs senātūs nūntius allātus esset, apud milītēs cōntiōnātus est. Quid patrēs ēgissent, quā causā ēgissent exposuit. Novem annōs sē suōsque reī pūblicae fidēliter servīsse, multās victoriās reportasse, dictātōrem nōn factum irī.
 Question: **Quamdiū Caesar reī pūblicae servierat, sententiā patrum?** **NOVEM ANNŌS**
 B1: **Quae, sententiā patrum, ā Caesare reportāta sunt?** **(MULTAE) VICTŌRIAE**
 B2: **Quis, sententiā patrum, dictator fiet?** **NĒMŌ**
- 7: In 103 BC, what two men carried out an uprising of slaves in Sicily in the Second Servile War?
SALVIUS / TRYPHON AND ATHENION
 B1: What Roman commander ended the war in 101 BC? **(MANIUS) AQUILIUS**
 B2: What two men had led an earlier uprising in Sicily around 133 BC?
EUNUS / ANTIOCHUS AND CLEON
- 8: The suffixes **-bulum**, **-crum**, and **-trum** often denote means or instrument. Therefore, what Latin noun denotes a “means of burial”? **SEPULCRUM**
 B1: The suffixes **-ia**, **-tās**, **-iēs**, and **-tūdō** denote an abstract quality. Therefore, what Latin noun literally describes the abstract quality of a lazy person? **IGNĀVIA / SEGNITIĒS**
 B2: Yet another suffix denotes a place where something is grown. Therefore, what Latin noun, also an English word, denotes a place where trees are grown? **ARBORĒTUM / ARBORETUM**
- 9: What Latin playwright’s innovation consisted of manipulating a prologue to conduct feuds with his critics and involve his audience more directly in the emotions of his characters, most notably how women are misunderstood, maligned, and mistreated by men in his *Hecyra*?
(P.) TERENTIUS (AFER) / TERENCE
 B1: What Latin term was used to describe Terence's practice of combining multiple sources to create new plays, which he defended in one of his prologues? **CONTĀMINĀTIŌ**
 B2: Which of Terence’s plays was commissioned by Publius Cornelius Scipio Aemilianus and his brother for performance at their father’s funeral games in 160 BC?
ADELPHOE / ADELPHOI / ADELPHI
- 10: For the verb **agō**, **agere**, give the 2nd person singular, future active imperative. **AGITŌ**
 B1: Now make **agitō** plural. **AGITŌTE**
 B2: Now give the singular and plural, future active imperatives of the verb **pūniō**.
PŪNĪTŌ, PŪNĪTŌTE
- 11: After Heracles released the Cretan Bull, it began to terrorize the land around what town near Athens? **MARATHON**
 B1: Who captured the Marathonian Bull? **THESEUS**
 B2: What other beast, whose name was Phaea, did Theseus kill? **THE CROMMYONIAN SOW**

- 12: Translate the following sentence into idiomatic English: **Nil nōs impediēt quōminus castra pōnāmus.** **NOTHING WILL STOP US FROM PITCHING CAMP**
- B1: Translate this sentence: **Mediā nocte, ursā maximā nōbīs clam detrāxit cibum.**
AT MIDNIGHT/IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, A VERY LARGE BEAR SECRETLY STOLE OUR FOOD / STOLE FOOD FROM US //DRAGGED AWAY
- B2: Translate: **ūnus ex nōbīs ursam vēnābātur nē quis ientāculō egēret.**
ONE OF US HUNTED THE BEAR SO THAT NOBODY LACKED BREAKFAST.
- 13: Who, after his throne was usurped by his brother, fled to Argos and received a wife and military aid from the king Adrastus, who raised an army to put him back on the throne of Thebes?
POLYN(E)ICES
- B1: Whom did Polynices meet and struggle with while waiting for his audience with Adrastus?
TYDEUS
- B2: Who was Polynices' brother who died at Polynices' hand while Polynices died at his? **ETEOCLES**
- 14: **"Nātūra, hoc est vīta, nārrātur"** concisely indicates the broad scope of topics covered in whose 37-book encyclopedia, *Nātūrālis Historia*?
(C.) PLINIUS / PLINY (SECUNDUS) MAIOR / THE ELDER
- B1: To what future emperor did Pliny the Elder dedicate his *Nātūrālis Historia*? **TITUS**
- B2: What other work of Pliny the Elder in 20 books, which recounted Roman military campaigns, did the Roman historian Tacitus later use for his own writings?
BELLŌRUM GERMĀNIAE XX LIBRĪ / BELLA GERMANIA / THE WARS OF GERMANY
- 15: In 6 AD, to what island did Tiberius retire, in self-exile? **RHODES**
- B1: To what island was Agrippa Postumus exiled in 7 AD? **PLANASIA**
- B2: To what island was Agrippina the Elder banished by Tiberius? **PANDATERIA**
- 16: Whom did Nestor send to guide Telemachus from Pylos to Sparta?
PEISISTRATUS (PROMPT ON "HIS SON")
- B1: Who in Sparta gave Telemachus the news that Odysseus was still alive? **MENELAÛS**
- B2: Who in Sparta drugged Telemachus and Peisistratus with the drug Nepenthe? **HELEN**
- 17: **Quid Anglice significat "dīmicō?"** **FIGHT / STRUGGLE / CONTEND / BRANDISH**
- B1: **Quid Anglice significat "temnō?"** **SCORN / DESPISE / REJECT**
- B2: **Quid Anglice significat "glomerō?"** **WIND/FORM INTO A BALL //**
GATHER INTO A ROUND HEAP // COLLECT TOGETHER
- 18: What Latin noun, with what meaning, is the ultimate root of the English word "trireme"?
RĒMUS - OAR
- B1: What Latin noun, with what meaning, is the ultimate root of the English word "expectorate"?
PECTUS - CHEST
- B2: What does the English verb "to expectorate" mean?
TO SPIT/ EXPEL PHLEGM (from one's chest)

- 19: What fourth-century AD writer was heavily influenced by the *Hortensius* of Cicero and by Manichaeism, and was the only Latin philosopher to fail to master Greek, though he transformed Latin Christianity with his Neoplatonism as evidenced in his ***Dē Cīvitāte Deī***?
(AURELIUS) AUGUSTINUS / AUGUSTINE
- B1: Which of Augustine's works, the earliest extant Western autobiography, was marked by the radical doctrine of grace? ***CŌNFESSIONĒS*** / *CONFESSIONS*
- B2: In what city in North Africa did Augustine serve as a bishop? HIPPO
- 20: In 426 BC, whom did Cornelius Cossus kill in hand-to-hand combat, winning the **spolia opīma**?
(LARS) TOLUMNIVS
- B1: Where had Tolumnius been king? VEII
- B2: To what temple was the breastplate of the slain opponent dedicated? JUPITER FERETRIVS

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SEMI-FINALS**

- 1: What literary device other than assonance, consonance, and alliteration can be found in the following lines adapted from Vergil's *Aeneid*? **Semper nōmen tuum et laudēs manēbunt,/ quae mē cumque vocant terrae.** (Book I.609-610) TMESIS
- B1: What literary device other than assonance, consonance, and alliteration can be found in the following line from Vergil's *Aeneid*? **cum mihi sē, nōn ante oculis tam clāra, videndam obtulit et pūrā per noctem in lūce refulsit alma parēns.** (Book II.589-590) HYPERBATON
- B2: What two literary devices other than assonance, consonance, and alliteration can be found in the following line from Vergil's *Aeneid*? **Nōn Simoīs tibi nec Xanthus nec Dōrica castra/ dēfuerint?** (Book VI.88-89) ANAPHORA, TRICOLON (CRESCENS)
- 2: What elderly man was appointed emperor against his will by the Senate in 275 AD following the death of Aurelian? (M. CLAUDIUS) TACITUS
- B1: In 276 AD, what half-brother of Tacitus proclaimed himself emperor after the troops mutinied against Tacitus? (M. ANNIUS) FLORIANUS
- B2: Florianus was quickly cast aside in that very year when troops in the East declared what former lieutenant of Aurelian as the next emperor? (M. AURELIUS) PROBUS
- 3: Who was transformed into a diver-bird after he accidentally caused the death of Hesperia by pursuing her through the woods until she was bitten by a snake? AESACUS
- B1: Who transformed Aesacus into a diver-bird when he attempted suicide? TETHYS
- B2: What river god was Hesperia's father? CEBREN
- 4: Which of the following nouns, if any, does not belong because of gender: **animal, acer, rōbur, tribūnal, compitum.** THEY ALL BELONG / ARE NEUTER
- B1: Which of the following words, if any, does not belong because of gender: **tībīcen, mōs, mūnus, pugiō.** MŪNUS
- B2: Which of the following words, if any, does not belong because of gender: **vās, pūgiō, cucumis, cardō.** VĀS
- 5: Give the comparative for the phrase **ille idōneus lepus.** **ILLE MAGIS IDŌNEUS LEPUS**
- B1: Make that phrase Genitive singular. **ILLĪUS MAGIS IDŌNEĪ LEPORIS**
- B2: Give the corresponding form of **hic vafer ariēs.** **HUIUS VAFRIŌRIS ARIĒTIS**
- 6: "Hoosegow," a slang term for "jail" as well as the word "injustice" are derived from what Latin noun with what meaning? **IŪS – LAW / RIGHT**
- B1: What Latin noun lies at the root of the Spanish-English noun "hidalgo," meaning "one of lower nobility"? **FĪLIUS**
- B2: What Latin pronoun also lies at the root of "hidalgo"? **(AL)QUIS**

- 7: What father of a future triumvir was invested with a special proconsular **imperium infinitum** to deal with the pirates? (MARCUS) ANTONIUS CRETICUS
- B1: After the failure of Antonius Creticus, what tribune conferred supreme command against the pirates on Pompey in 67 BC? (AULUS) GABINIUS
- B2: What ex-consul, an enemy of Pompey, had defeated the pirates on Crete and subdued the entire island into a Roman province? (QUINTUS CAECILIUS) METELLUS CRETICUS
- 8: What Silver Age poet, the son of a professional poet in the Greek festival circuit and later a school teacher, demonstrated the privilege of having a parent go before him in a profession through his versatile use of meter and deep allusions in his epics like the *Thebaid* and *Silvae*? (P. PAPINIUS) STATIUS
- B1: What other anticipated epic was meant to tell the whole life of a polarizing Greek hero, but breaks off 160 lines into the second book due to Statius' death? *ACHILLEID*
- B2: What emperor took a particular liking to Statius' works and was his patron? DOMITIAN
- 9: Who impersonated Metiscus in order to give Turnus back his sword, which he had lost in a duel with Aeneas? JUTURNA
- B1: Who were the parents of Turnus and Juturna? DAUNUS AND VENILIA
- B2: From what Greek hero did Turnus claim descent? PERSEUS
- 10: (HAND OUT THE VISUAL)
You may now open your visual and inspect it for fifteen seconds.
(give 15 seconds to inspect the visual)
Tossup: What author, whose name we've replaced in the passage with forms of **hic vir**, is Quintilian describing in this passage? (M. TULLIUS) CICERO
PASS OUT THE OTHER TWO PAGES OF THE VISUAL (give 15 seconds to inspect)
- B1: Identify the work of Cicero that Passage 1 comes from. *CATŌ MAIOR / DĒ SENECTŪTE*
- B2: Identify the work of Cicero that Passage 2 comes from. *DĒ DOMŌ SUĀ*
- 11: Translate the following sentence into English: **Spērō fore ut anima certāminis semper vivat.**
I HOPE THAT THE SPIRIT OF CERTAMEN / COMPETITION LIVES ON FOREVER / MAY / WILL ALWAYS LIVE
- B1: Translate this sentence: **Animōs mūtāre nequībimus nisi voluerint mūtārī.**
WE WILL NOT CHANGE MINDS UNLESS THEY WANT/HAVE WANTED TO BE CHANGED
- B2: Finally, translate: **Cum multōs diēs iter fēcissēmus, nōnnūllī inter nōs omnia ōdisse coepērunt.**
SINCE/WHEN WE HAD BEEN MARCHING / HAD MARCHED
FOR MANY DAYS, SOME OF / AMONG US BEGAN TO HATE EVERYTHING.
- 12: Using one word, say in Latin: one-half. **DĪMIDIUM / SĒMIS** Also accept **dīmidius(-a-um)**
- B1: What fraction is translated into Latin as **dōdrāns**? Three-fourths / three quarters
- B2: What fraction is translated into Latin as **bēs**? Two-thirds

- 13: Who doubled the number of equestrian centuries, added 100 members to the senate, and began draining the marsh where the Forum would eventually stand during his reign as king of Rome?
TARQUINIUS PRISCUS
- B1: What was the name of the 100 new senators Priscus added?
(PATRĒS) MINŌRUM GENTIUM / MINŌRĒS GENTĒS
- B2: Priscus divided the equestrians into how many centuries?
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- 14: Differentiate in meaning between the nouns **līs** and **glīs**. **LĪS** – LAWSUIT; **GLIS** - DORMOUSE
- B1: Differentiate in meaning between **cōs** and **rōs**. **CŌS** – WHETSTONE; **RŌS** - DEW
- B2: Differentiate in meaning between **tūs** and **sūs**. **TŪS** - (FRANK)INCENSE;
SŪS - SOW/PIG/HOG/BOAR
- 15: The Romans had a different system of reckoning dates than we do today. Express today's date, July 27, as the Romans would, in Latin.
(ANTE DIEM) SEXTUM KALENDĀS AUGUSTĀS
- B1: Now express the traditional date without the year of the foundation of Rome as the Romans might have.
(ANTE DIEM) ŪNDECIMUM KALENDĀS MĀIĀS (April 21)
- B2: Finally, express the date without the year of US Independence Day as the Romans might have.
(ANTE DIEM) QUĀRTUM NŌNĀS IŪLIĀS (July 4)
- 16: What daughter of Priam was swallowed up by the earth after the capture of Troy? LAODICE
- B1: Laodice, the most beautiful of Priam's daughters, fell in love with what Greek warrior? ACAMAS
- B2: What son of Acamas and Laodice was born during the war? MUNYCHUS/ MUNITUS
- 17: The journey of a protagonist, his accidental transformation, and his eventual conversion to the Cult of Isis, are all featured in what ancient Roman novel? **METAMORPHOSES** / **GOLDEN ASS**
- B1: Apuleius wrote the *Golden Ass* perhaps as a self-portrait for his own life as he faced accusations over involvement in witchcraft. What speech of Apuleius was a defense against the charges of magic?
APOLOGIA / DĒ MAGIĀ
- B2: What work by Apuleius discusses the existence and nature of demons as the intermediaries of gods and humans, and also contains the first use of the proverb "familiarity breeds contempt"?
DĒ DEŌ SOCRĀTIS
- 18: Considering that the **Cūria** is at the north end of the **Forum Rōmānum**, which of the following buildings in the **Forum Rōmānum** is farthest East: **Tabulārium**, **Rēgia**, **Templum Concordiae**, **Basilica Iūlia**?
REGIA
- B1: Which of the following buildings in the **Campus Mārtius** was originally farthest North: Stadium of Domitian, **Āra Pācis**, Mausoleum of Augustus, Pantheon? MAUSOLEUM OF AUGUSTUS
- B2: Which imperial forum is farthest West? FORUM OF TRAJAN

- 19: Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice; then answer the question that follows in LATIN.

Cicerō ab amīcīs certior factus sē ab Antoniō prōscrīptum esse, cum ad vīllam quae haud procul ā marī erat cōnfūgisset, in nāvem cōnscendit eō consiliō ut in Macedoniam trānsīret. Sed aliquoties in altum ēvectus tantīs ventīs repulsus est ut ad vīllam regressus sit.

Question: **Quō cōnsiliō Cicerō in nāvem cōnscendit ?**

UT IN MACEDONIAM TRĀNSĪRET / UT (CŌN)FUGERET

- B1: **Cūr ad vīllam regressus est?**

(TANTĪS) VENTĪS REPULSUS EST

- B2: **Quid fēcērunt amīcī Cicerōnis?**

EUM / CICERŌNEM CERTIŌREM FĒCĒRUNT (DĒ PRŌSCRĪPTIŌNE)

- 20: What herdsman gave Geryon the news that Heracles had stolen his cattle?

MENOETES

- B1: Of whose cattle was Menoetes the shepherd?

HADES'

- B2: Who was Geryon's herdsman, whom Heracles clubbed to death before he could deliver any news at all?

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**2017 NJCL CERTAMEN
ADVANCED DIVISION
FINALS**

- 1: Some of you will be heading off to college soon and seeking a **B.A.** or **B.S.** Eventually you may even get an **LL.D.** Give the Latin and English for the degree abbreviated **LL.D.**
LĒGUM DOCTOR – DOCTOR OF LAWS
- B1: In college, you may be asked to do things **inf. dig.** Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **inf. dig.**
ĪNFRĀ DIGNITĀTEM – BELOW ONE’S DIGNITY
- B2: After doing something **īnfrā dignitātem** like getting your **M.D.**, you are instructed to prepare some **aq. bull.** before an operation. Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **aq. bull.**
AQUA BULLIĒNS – BOILING WATER
- 2: Teiresias told Odysseus to travel inland until someone mistook an oar for a winnowing fan and to sacrifice to Poseidon there. Where did Odysseus make this sacrifice?
EPIRUS / THESPROTIA / LAND OF THE THESPROTI(ANS)
- B1: What son did Odysseus father in Thesprotia with the queen Callidice? **POLYPOETES**
- B2: When Odysseus returned to Ithaca what son did he discover that Penelope had borne him?
P(T)OLIPORTHES
- 3: What count of Africa invited the Vandals from Spain to assist him in his rebellion against the government in Ravenna? **BONIFACE / BONIFACIUS / BONIFATIUS**
- B1: What woman, serving as regent for Valentinian III, had Boniface supported, revolted against, and then later reconciled with? **(GALLA) PLACIDIA**
- B2: Boniface had become estranged with Placidia due to his rivalry with what **magister mīlitum**?
(FLAVIUS) AETIUS
- 4: Which of Horace’s works is a professed imitation of Archilochus, with eight of the poems being invectives, one of which was a “reverse propempticon” wishing Maevius a shipwreck?
EPODES / IAMBĪ
- B1: While Horace proclaims himself to be the heir of Archilochus in the *Epodes*, to what poet from Lesbos does he claim to owe a debt for his lyric poetry, as seen in the first book of his *Odes*?
ALCAEUS
- B2: For Horace’s third book of the *Epistles*, to what third-century BC poet, scholar, and critic does he owe much of his influence?
NEOPTOLEMUS (OF PARIUM)
- 5: Of the words **harpagō, lebēs, iubar, pāpiliō, and imbrex**, which is being described in this sentence: **Est pars domūs quae impedit nē aqua intret.** **IMBREX**
- B1: Of the words **harpagō, lebēs, iubar, pāpiliō, and imbrex**, which is being described in this sentence: **Alīs propriīs multōrum colōrum per frondēs volitat.** **PĀPILIŌ**
- B2: Of the words **harpagō, lebēs, iubar, pāpiliō, and imbrex**, which is being described in this sentence: **Secundum sacerdōtēs, ē corpore exsurgit, vītā cōfectā.** **PĀPILIŌ**

- 6: (HAND OUT THE VISUAL)
 You may now open your visual and inspect it for ten seconds.
 (give 10 seconds to inspect the visual)
 Tossup: Identify the type of wagon shown in letter B. **CARUCCA / RAEDA**
 (HAND OUT THE SECOND PAGE OF THE VISUAL)
- B1: Give the letter that corresponds to a **summum dorsum**. **B**
 B2: Give the letter that corresponds to the **umbo**. **C**
- 7: The Latin noun **passus**, meaning "step," is ultimately derived from what Latin verb, meaning "spread out"? **PANDŌ / PANDERE**
 B1: The Latin noun **cōpia**, meaning "supply," is ultimately derived from what other Latin noun, meaning "resource"? **OPS**
 B2: The Latin noun **pābulum** meaning "fodder," is ultimately derived from what Latin verb meaning "to feed"? **PASCO(R)**
- 8: What Arcadian hero, whose name means "Fly-Catcher," was honored in the town of Alipherus for his services in chasing away flies? **MYAGRO**
 B1: What king of Laconia invented the mill? **MYLES**
 B2: What son of Astycles fought the ghost of one of Odysseus' sailors in order to free the town of Temesa from the burden of a human sacrifice? **EUTHYMUS**
- 9: Who was appointed dictator in 356 BC to repel an Etruscan invasion, becoming the first plebeian to hold the office? **(GAIUS MARCIUS) RUTILUS**
 B1: Who was the first plebeian praetor? **(QUINTUS) PUBLILIUS PHILO**
 B2: Who was the first plebeian Pontifex Maximus? **(TIBERIUS) CORUNCANIUS**
- 10: A description of nature and its phenomena in the **Oenomaus**, a suspicion of venal seers in the **Astyanax**, and a distrust of divination in **Brūtus** are all highlights from some seven hundred extant lines composed by what early Latin dramatist? **(L.) ACCIUS**
 B1: In a mixture of prose and diverse poetical meters, what work of Accius ran to at least nine books and comprehended, among other things, the history of both Athenian and Roman theater? **DIDASKALIA**
 B2: In which of Accius' **fābulae cothurnātae** do we find the infamous line of the future emperor Caligula, "**ōderint dum metuant**." **ATREUS**
- 11: What woman who was promised to Heracles by her father Dexamenus was carried off by the Centaur Eurytion and forced to marry him? **MNESIMACHE**
 B1&2: For five points each, name the two centaurs who tried to rape Atalanta? **HYLAEUS AND RHOECUS**

- 12: Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice; then answer the question that follows in LATIN.
Sulla, dēvictīs inimicīs imperiōque sūmptō, senātum convocātum summō ardōre postulāvit ut Gāius Marius hostis dēcernerētur. Neque quisquam sē opposuit Sullae donec senātor sententiam rogātus dicere recūsāvit. Quī cum Sulla eum vōce minācī sententiam rogitāret respondit haud dubium esse quīn Sulla ipse interficiendus esset.
 Question: **Quālis fuit vōx Sullae cum sententiam dē senātōre rogitāret?** MINĀX / MINĀNS
 B1: **Quō factō Sulla senātum convocāvit?** DĒVICTĪS INIMĪCĪS and/or IMPERIŌ SŪMPTŌ
 B2: **Respondē Anglicē: Sententiā ūnīus senātōris, quid faciendum erat?**
 (THERE WAS NO DOUBT THAT) SULLA (HIMSELF) HAD TO / SHOULD BE KILLED
- 13: **Saltāre Cyclōpa** from Horace, **amaryllida resonāre** from Vergil, and **Bacchānālia vīvere** from Juvenal are all examples of what use of the accusative case?
 COGNATE // INTERNAL // KINDRED SIGNIFICATION / MEANING
 B1: What Latin verb, which can be found with constructions of the Cognate Accusative, means not only “to taste” but “to be wise”? SAPIŌ
 B2: Translate: **herbam mella sapiunt.** THE HONEY(S) TASTE(S) OF / LIKE GRASS
- 14: Which of Seneca the Younger’s extant works is addressed to a devastated daughter of the historian Cremutius Cordus to console her from a Stoic perspective and by contrasting two models of maternal grieving: Octavia mourning the loss of Marcellus and Livia lamenting the death of Drusus?
AD MĀRCIAM (DĒ CŌNSŌLĀTIŌNE)
 B1: Which of Seneca the Younger’s essays addressed to Paulinus discusses the Stoic principles of time, specifically that men waste much of it on meaningless pursuits? **DĒ BREUITĀTE VĪTAE**
 B2: Which of Seneca the Younger’s works is a dialogue addressed to his friend Serenus concerning how to cure his friend from anxiety, worry, and disgust with life?
DĒ TRANQUILLITĀTE ANIMĪ
- 15: Would that we could put aside our vitriol! From what Latin noun with what meaning is “vitriol” derived? VITRUM - GLASS
 B1: Unfortunately, you have been diagnosed with vesiculitis. According to its etymology, what part of your body do you think is inflamed, even though that might not necessarily be the case?
 BLADDER
 B2: In this contest, we have used vernacular words such as hoosegow. From what Latin noun with what meaning do we derive “vernacular”? VERNA – (HOUSE) SLAVE
- 16: Translate the dependent clause into Latin for the following sentence: Last night the *Certamen* players read every footnote so that they might more easily win.
QUŌ / UT EŌ FACILIUS VINCERENT / SUPERĀRENT
 B1: What type of dependent clause is found in this sentence: **impetrātum est ut in senātū recitārentur litterae?**
 SUBSTANTIVE CLAUSE OF RESULT
 (PROMPT ON RESULT OR CONSECUTIVE CLAUSE)
 B2: Using **quam** translate this sentence: You are never too sick to play *Certamen*.
NUMQUAM AEGRIOR(ĒS) / INVALIDIOR / INVALIDIŌRĒS ES(TIS) QUAM UT CERTĀMEN LŪDĀS / LŪDĀTIS

- 17: Acting as regent for Pinnes after the death of Agron, what foreign Queen clashed with Rome due to her aggressive policies in the Adriatic, leading to the First Illyrian War? TEUTA
 B1: Who betrayed Teuta to the Romans, thereby earning the status of **amīcus** of Rome? DEMETRIUS (OF PHAROS)
 B2: What island did Demetrius surrender to the Romans after a fleet of 200 Roman ships appeared off its coast in 229 BC? CORCYRA / CORFU
- 18: What fourth-century writer abandoned a successful administrative career, dedicated himself to writing poetry, which included *Cathemerinon*, *Peristephanon*, and *Hamartigenia*, and is known as the greatest of the Christian Latin poets? (AURELIUS CLEMENS) PRUDENTIUS
 B1: Which of Prudentius' works was his most famous, showcasing an allegorical framework of personified Christian virtues battling against sins through speeches? **PSYCHOMACHIA / BATTLE OF THE SOUL**
 B2: Prudentius also refuted, in two books, the arguments of what great orator who had attempted to bring back the Altar of Victory 20 years earlier? SYMMACHUS
- 19: Who single-handedly ensured that the Argonauts safely passed through the Symplegades on their way back to Greece? THETIS
 B1: What did Hera promise Thetis in exchange for her help in this matter? ACHILLES WOULD MARRY MEDEA IN THE AFTERLIFE / ISLAND OF THE BLESSED
 B2: Also on the voyage home, what shepherd killed the Argonauts Canthus and Eribotes, when Canthus tried to steal his sheep? CAPHAURUS / CEPHALION
- 20: When recognized by the spotter perform the following commands: **surge et, salūtāns spectātōrēs, dīc Anglicē nīl esse quō nōn perfungerēris.**
 STUDENT SHOULD GET UP, GREET THE AUDIENCE AND SAY, "THERE IS NOTHING WHICH I WOULDN'T PERFORM."
 B1: Now perform this command: **humī iacēns, rogā moderātōrem num dignus sīs quī quīnque punctūs obtineās.**
 ONE PLAYER, LYING ON THE GROUND, SHOULD BESEECH THE MODERATOR (AS TO) WHETHER THEY ARE WORTHY OF OBTAINING FIVE POINTS.
 B2: Now perform this command: **Dīc spectātōribus tē, sī minus studuissēs, melius dormītūrum fuisse.**
 ONE PLAYER SHOULD SAY TO THE AUDIENCE, "I WOULD HAVE SLEPT BETTER, IF I HAD STUDIED LESS."