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INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

ROUND ONE

1. In ancient Rome, what was the name for the days on which it was not permitted to engage in legal action or public voting?

DIES NEFASTI

- B1. Among the days deemed *nefasti* for official business were the *feriae*. What were *feriae*?

HOLIDAYS

- B2. What was the name for a day that was designated for the meeting of Roman assemblies?

DIES COMITALIS

2. Using the verb *fero*, give the Latin for the following: “Carry the water, Brutus!”

FER AQUAM, BRUTE!

- B1. Using the same verb, give the Latin for Brutus’ response: “I’ll carry it.”

EAM/AQUAM FERAM

- B2. Give two other verbs that, like *ferō*, have an irregular singular imperative.

DUCŌ/FACIŌ/DĪCO/NOLŌ

3. Which great warrior at Troy managed to wound both Aphrodite and Ares?

DIOMEDES

- B1. Who guided Diomedes’ spear against Ares?

ATHENA

- B2. Who was Aphrodite trying to protect when Diomedes injured her?

AENEAS

4. Differentiate in meaning between *rēgīna* and *rēgia*.

RĒGĪNA MEANS QUEEN; RĒGIA MEANS PALACE

- B1. Differentiate in meaning between *volo*, *velle* and *volo*, *volare*.

VOLLE MEANS TO WANT/WISH;

VOLARE MEANS TO FLY

- B2. Differentiate in meaning between *quīdam* and *quidem*.

QUĪDAM MEANS A CERTAIN/SOMEONE;

QUIDEM MEANS INDEED

5. Translate the following sentence into Latin: “I was sleeping under the tree.”

DORMIĒBAM SUB ARBORE

- B1. Translate the following sentence into Latin: “Who spoke before you?”

QUIS ANTE TĒ DĪXIT/DICĒBAT

- B2. Translate the following sentence into Latin using a participle: “I hear you singing.”

AUDIŌ TĒ CANENTEM/CANTANTEM

6. At which battle of 202 BCE did Scipio Africanus achieve final victory over Hannibal, bringing an end to the Second Punic War?

ZAMA

- B1. At which battle of 216 BCE did the Romans suffer perhaps their worst defeat in a land battle?

CANNAE

- B2. Name the Roman general and consul who was killed at Cannae, causing the Roman people to become demoralized and afraid.

LUCIUS AEMILIUS PAULLUS

7. Although Ixion thought he was loving Hera, he was actually loving her cloud carbon-copy. What was the name of this nebulous stand-in?

NEPHELE

- B1. What race arose from the union of Nephele and Ixion?

CENTAURS

- B2. What was Ixion’s punishment in the underworld.

BOUND TO A FIERY WHEEL

8. Which type of toga was bleached with chalk to be a dazzling white color and could only be worn by candidates for public office?

TOGA CANDIDA

- B1. Which toga was typically worn by Roman men after their coming of age?

TOGA VIRILIS/TOGA ALBA/TOGA PURA

- B2. Which type of toga was shared by noble youths and certain magistrates?

TOGA PRAETEXTA

9. What Latin word most nearly means “to sail”?

NĀVIGŌ, -ĀRE, ĀVĪ, -ĀTUM

- B1. What Latin word most nearly means “fatherland”?

PATRIA, PATRIAE

- B2. What Latin word most nearly means “cup”?

PŌCULUM, PŌCULĪ/

CALIX, CALICIS/

CANTHARUS, CANTHARĪ

10. How did Odysseus try to avoid leaving Ithaca to fight in the Trojan War?

FEIGNED MADNESS

B1. How was Odysseus' ploy uncovered?

**PALAMEDES PLACED HIS SON [TELEMACHUS] IN
FRONT OF HIS PLOW AND ODYSSEUS VEERED**

B2. Why was Odysseus not so keen to go to Troy?

ORACLE FORETOLD A LONG-DELAYED RETURN

11. From what Latin root verb with what meaning is the word "interrogate" derived?

ROGŌ, ROGĀRE TO ASK

B1. From what Latin verb with what meaning is the word "aberration" derived?

ERRŌ, ERRĀRE TO WANDER/ERR

B2. From what Latin verb with what meaning is the word "fragile" derived?

FRANGŌ, FRANGERE TO BREAK

12. What is the ablative singular of the Latin word *āmens*?

ĀMENTĪ

B1. What is the genitive plural of the Latin word meaning "name"?

NŌMINUM

B2. What is the dative singular of the Latin name *Juppiter*?

JOVĪ

13. It seems like Helen was always desirable. As a child, Helen was carried off by what hero as part of a pact made between friends to marry the daughters of Zeus?

THESEUS

B1. Who was Theseus' friend who also made this pact?

PIRITHOUS

B2. Which daughter of Zeus did Pirithous try to abduct?

PERSEPHONE

14. Which future Roman king was identified as a young child by a crown of fire that appeared around his head while he was sleeping?

SERVIUS TULLIUS

B1. With what Etruscan hero did the emperor Claudius later associate Servius Tullius?

MASTARNA

B2. To what deity did Servius Tullius build a shrine on the Aventine?

DIANA

15. Answering in Latin, how many of the following prepositions can take an accusative object: *cum, ob, in, ab, ex*?

DUO [*OB* and *IN*]

B1. Answering in Latin, how many of the following verbs do not take an accusative object: *video, sciō, damno, capio, bibo*?

NIHIL

B2. Answering in Latin, how many of the following words could be in the accusative: *castra, leonēs, barbarus, animal, toto*?

TRĒS/TRIA

16. What sort of ablative is found in the following sentence: *Aenēās saltāre incēpit cum amīcīs suīs*?

**ABLATIVE OF ACCOMPANIMENT/
OBJECT OF PREPOSITION CUM**

B1. What type of ablative is found in the following sentence: *Aenēās et amīcī excitāvērunt vīcīnōs saltatiōne*?

ABLATIVE OF MEANS

B2. What sort of accusative is found in the following sentence: *Aenēās amīcīque eius multās diēs saltābant*?

EXTENT OF TIME

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ROUND TWO

1. What Theban princess buried her brother against her uncle's wishes, after he died while trying to attack the Theban citadel?

ANTIGONE

B1. Who was the brother buried by Antigone?

POLYNICES

B2. Who was Antigone's uncle?

CREON

2. What sort of ablative occurs in the sentence: *rēx in cubīlī salit*?

**ABLATIVE OF PLACE WHERE/
OBJECT OF PREPOSITION IN**

B1. Translate the sentence "*rēx in cubīlī salit*" into English.

THE KING IS JUMPING ON THE BED

B2. How would the original sentence change if it instead meant "The king is jumping onto the bed"?

**CUBĪLĪ WOULD BE ACCUSATIVE/
CUBĪLĪ WOULD BE CUBĪLE**

3. Under which emperor's reign did the Roman Empire reach its greatest geographical extent?

TRAJAN

B1. Against which kingdom, which corresponds to modern-day Romania, did Trajan wage war in the early 100s CE?

DACIA

B2. Name the capital of Dacia.

SARMIZEGETHUSA

4. Translate the following sentence into English: *Caesar Rōmam virōs suōs dūxit*.

CAESAR LED HIS MEN TO/TOWARD ROME

B1. Translate the following sentence into English: *Ubī Rōmam advēnit, Caesar sē suōsque parāvit*.

**WHEN HE ARRIVED AT ROME, CAESAR PREPARED
HIMSELF AND HIS MEN**

B2. Translate the following sentence into English: *Rōmanī valde territī erant, quod Caesaris militēs erant fortissimi*.

**THE ROMANS WERE VERY SCARED BECAUSE
CAESAR'S SOLDIERS WERE VERY BRAVE/STRONG**

5. A lot of English names have origins in Latin nouns. From what Latin word does the name Leticia come?

**LAETUS MEANING HAPPY/
LAETITIA MEANING HAPPINESS**

- B1. Scattered around Wisconsin, you might have seen a lot of a particular type of tree, whose scientific name is *quercus alba*. Translated literally from Latin, what does *quercus alba* mean?

WHITE OAK

- B2. Based on meaning of its roots, what does the word *aqueduct* mean?

SOMETHING THAT LEADS WATER SOMEWHERE

6. Give the Latin name for the college of Roman religious officials, created by Numa Pompilius, who were known as the “jumping priests of Mars” for the leaping movements of their ritual dances?

SALII

- B1. Give the Latin name for the college of Roman religious officials whose members advised the senate on foreign affairs and were responsible for the ritual declaration of war?

FETIALES

- B2. Give the Latin name for the high priest of Jupiter, who alone of Roman religious officials was permitted to wear the *apex*, to have a lector, and to wear the *toga praetexta*.

FLAMEN DIALIS

7. Give the nominative form of the phrase “that same huge dog.”

ILLE/ILLA INGĒNS CANIS

- B1. Now make your answer accusative.

ILLUM/ILLAM INGENTEM CANEM

- B2. Now make that answer genitive plural.

ILLŌRUM/ILLĀRUM INGENTIUM CANUM

8. This daughter of Lycaon and lover of Zeus was turned into a bear.

CALLISTO

- B1. Callisto was an attendant of what goddess?

ARTEMIS

- B2. Who was Callisto’s son by Zeus?

ARCAS

9. Who competed with Hiempsal and Adherbal for control of the Numidian throne?

JUGURTHA

- B1. Which consul was responsible for making peace with Jugurtha in 112 BCE?

LUCIUS OPIMIUS

- B2. Give the name of Jugurtha’s grandfather, another Numidian king who initially sided with the Carthaginians in the Second Punic War and later took the side of the Romans.

MASINISSA

10. In book 10 of Homer's *Odyssey*, what magical herb is given to Odysseus in order to protect him from Circe's magic?

MOLY

B1. Who gave this herb to Odysseus?

HERMES

B2. Into what did Circe turn Odysseus' men?

SWINE/PIGS

11. Complete the following analogy: *faciō : fēcī :: agō : _____*

ĒGĪ

B1. Complete the following analogy: *faciō : faciam :: agō : _____*

AGAM

B2. Complete the following analogy: *faciō : fēcērāmus :: ferō : _____*

TULERĀMUS

12. From what Latin root verb, with what meaning, is the English word "attempt" derived?

TEMPTŌ MEANING TO TRY/TEST

B1. From what Latin root verb, with what meaning, is the English word "confluence" derived?

FLUŌ MEANING TO FLOW/POUR/

B2. From what Latin root word, with what meaning, is the English word "innovate" derived?

NOVUS MEANING NEW

13. Give the name for the speaker's platform in the Roman forum, which was adorned with 6 prows from vanquished warships.

ROSTRA

B1. Prows from which battle of 338 BCE adorned the *Rostra Vetera*, the original speaker's platform?

ANTIUM

B2. Prows from which battle of the Republic adorned the *Rostra Iulii*, another rostra later added in front of the Temple of Caesar?

ACTIUM

14. Which of the following does not belong based on meaning: *carcer, villa, navis, rēgia, templum*?

NAVIS

B1. Which of the following does not belong based on tense: *fēcērit, audiverat, cēperat, fātus erat, habuerat*?

FĒCERIT

B2. Which of the following does not belong based on part of speech: *peius, bene, fortiter, longē, celeritāte*?

CELERITĀTE

15. After the Trojan War, many of the Trojan women were taken captive by Greek leaders. What Greek took Andromache captive?

NEOPTOLEMUS/PYRRHUS

B1. According to some reports, it was Neoptolemus who threw Andromache's young son over the walls of Troy. What was the name of this boy?

ASTYANAX/SCAMANDRIUS

B2. Neoptolemus was the son of this great warrior.

ACHILLES

16. *Quid Anglicē significat "lucerna"?*

LAMP/LANTERN

B1. *Quid Anglicē significat "umbra"?*

SHADOW/SHADE/GHOST

B2. *Quid Anglicē significat "sīdus"?*

STAR/CONSTELLATION

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ROUND THREE

1. Which of the following words does not belong because of its meaning: *mulsum*, *garum*, *fructus*, *pānis*, *coquus*
COQUUS
B1. What do the words other than *coquus* have in common?
THEY ARE ALL FOOD/CONSUMABLE
B2. Why does *coquus* not belong?
IT MEANS CHEF; NOT CONSUMABLE
2. At which battle of 207 BCE did Hasdrubal the Younger literally lose his head?
METAURUS RIVER
B1. Which river battle of 218 BCE was considered the first major military engagement of the Second Punic War?
TREBIA RIVER
B2. At which river battle in 217 BCE were the Carthaginian forces destroyed due to a sudden surprise attack from the Romans under Gnaeus Cornelius Scipio Calvus?
EBRO RIVER
3. Give, in Latin, the nominative of the phrase “these better days”
HAE/HĪ MELIŌRĒS DIĒS
B1. Make that genitive.
HĀRUM/HŌRUM MELIŌRUM DIĒRUM
B2. Give the Latin for the phrase “on this worse day.”
HĀC/HŌC PĒIŌRE DIĒ
4. After she was abandoned for another woman named Leucothoe, what Oceanid was turned into a sunflower?
CLYTIE
B1. Clytie held unrequited affection for this deity.
HELIOS
B2. This son of Helios took his father’s chariot for a disastrous joy ride.
PHAETHON

5. A sacred shield known as the *ancile* allegedly fell from the sky as a gift from the gods to what King of Rome known for his religious reforms?

NUMA POMPILIUS

- B1. How did Numa protect this sacred artifact from enemies of the state?

**HE HAD 11 REPLICAS PRODUCED SO NO ONE
COULD IDENTIFY THE TRUE ORIGINAL**

- B2. According to legend, who suggested to Numa that he adopt this plan to protect the *ancile*?

EGERIA

6. What use of the accusative is seen in the following sentence: *Postquam agmen revēnit, multās horās celebrāvimus*

EXTENT OF TIME

- B1. What use of the ablative is seen in the following sentence: *Lupus diū ululat, lunā ascendentī*

ABLATIVE ABSOLUTE

- B2. What uses of the nominative are seen in the following sentence: *egō et callidus magister/callida magistra sum et bene doctus/docta*

SUBJECT AND PREDICATE NOMINATIVE

7. When recognized, perform the following action: *In sedē, manibus tuīs mūsicam creā.*

**ONE STUDENT SHOULD MAKE MUSIC
WITH THEIR HANDS**

- B1. Now, perform the following action: *Cantā mihi carmen joculāre.*

ONE STUDENT SHOULD SING A SILLY SONG

- B2. Finally, perform the following action: *Surgite et plorate quasi infantēs.*

EVERYONE STAND AND WAIL LIKE A BABY

8. According to Ovid's account, what woman was turned into a swallow after she discovered that her husband Tereus had committed a terrible crime against her sister?

PROCNE

- B1. Name the sister who got her tongue torn out by Procne's husband.

PHILOMELA

- B2. According to Ovid, into what was Philomela transformed?

NIGHTINGALE

9. What is the third person singular perfect active indicative of the Latin word meaning "to run"?

CUCURRĪT

- B1. Make *cucurrīt* pluperfect

CUCURRERAT

- B2. Make *cucurrerat* future perfect

CUCURRERIT

10. Respondē Latinē: quot est quattuordecem minus undecem plus tredecem minus septem?

NOVEM

B1. Respondē Latinē: quot est novem minus undecem plus sex plus quattuor?

OCTO

B2. Respondē Latinē: quot est trecentī minus quadrigentī plus centum plus centum?

CENTUM

11. While out on a hunt one day, this man heard a rustling sound in the bushes. He shot an arrow at what he thought was a wild animal, but turned out to be a woman named Procris. Who was this unfortunate man?

CEPHALUS

B1. What was Cephalus' relationship to Procris?

HUSBAND

B2. This goddess also loved Cephalus.

EOS

12. Name any three of the Five Good Emperors.

**NERVA/TRAJAN/HADRIAN/
ANTONINUS PIUS/MARCUS AURELIUS**

B1. Name another.

SEE ABOVE

B2. Name the last one.

SEE ABOVE

13. Yarr, mateys. You are now pirates on your very own pirate ship. As pirates, the first thing you'll be needing is a great big sword. How would you say "I need a big sword" in Latin?

**NECESSE EST MIHI MAGNUM GLADIUM HABĒRE/
EGĒŌ MAGNŌ GLADIŌ/MAGNĪ GLADIŪ**

B1. Yarr, so you have your big old sword. Now you'll be needing some treasure. What's a good Latin word for "treasure", mateys?

THĒSAURUS/GĀZA/PRAEDA

B2. So now, mateys, you just need one more thing to be a full-fledged pirate. You'll need a great big sea for sailing on! What's a good Latin word for "sea"?

MARE/AEQUOR/ALTUM/ŌCEANUS/PONTUS

14. This Greek warrior fell upon his own sword after losing the armor of Achilles to Odysseus.

AJAX THE GREATER/TELAMONIAN AJAX

B1. Ajax often fought side by side with his brother. Who is he?

TEUCER

B2. Ajax twice battles it out with this Trojan, with one duel lasting almost an entire day.

HECTOR

15. As a verb, what does *vīs* mean?

YOU WISH/WANT

B1. As a noun, what does *vīs* mean?

FORCE/POWER/VIOLENCE

B2. Make *vīs* the noun plural.

VIRES

16. While the consul had 12 lictors, what Roman magistrate was accompanied by six lictors and was originally responsible for the administration of justice?

PRAETOR

B1. What type of praetor presided over civil cases and had to stay in Rome?

PRAETOR URBANUS

B2. In the Roman Republic, what elected official supervised the treasury and the state's financial affairs?

QUAESTOR AERARII

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FINALS

1. Which of the following are etymologically unrelated: conscience, scent, omniscient, science?

SCENT

- B1. Which of the following are etymologically unrelated: convene, venison, adventure, convenience?

VENISON

- B2. Which of the following are etymologically unrelated: agent, negotiate, proactive, coagulate?

NEGOTIATE

2. What member of Caligula's praetorian guard was responsible for plotting to assassinate him?

CASSIUS CHAEREA

- B1. Name the praetorian prefect who ruled from Rome after the emperor Tiberius withdrew to Capri.

SEJANUS

- B2. Name the praetorian prefect who took power after Sejanus was arrested and ordered Tiberius to be smothered under a heap of clothes so that Caligula could take power.

MACRO

3. In Greek mythology, what river god loved Arethusa?

ALPHEUS

- B1. Arethusa was an attendant of what goddess?

ARTEMIS

- B2. In order to escape the advances of Alpheus, into what was Arethusa transformed?

A STREAM

4. What use of the dative is found in the following sentence: *O Iuppiter, hunc terrorem mihi eripe.*

DATIVE OF SEPARATION

- B1. What type of ablative is found in the following sentence: *Annō hōc, saepe lūdām certāmen.*

TIME IN WHICH

- B2. What type of ablative is found in the following sentence: *Marcus callidior Brutō est.*

COMPARISON

5. Which Roman official was trained to discern divine will by inspecting the entrails of sacrificed animals?

HARUSPEX

- B1. What would an *augur* have studied to determine the will of the gods?

FLIGHT OF BIRDS

- B2. What prophetic text did the Romans consult for advice during periods of crisis?

SIBYLLINE BOOKS

6. Which of the following does not belong based on form: *valde, fac, cape, aedificā, scī*

VALDE

- B1. Why does *valde* not belong?

VALDE IS AN ADVERB

- B2. Which of the following words would belong in the previous list: *fer, scīēbam, ponor, ōdī*?

FER

7. What minor character in mythology received agricultural knowledge from Demeter and spread it throughout the world in a winged chariot?

TRIPTOLEMUS

- B1. Who was his mother?

METANEIRA

- B2. Who was his father?

CELEUS

8. Distinguish in meaning between *tamen* and *tandem*

TAMEN MEANS BUT/HOWEVER/NEVERTHELESS;

TANDEM MEANS FINALLY/AT LAST

- B1. Distinguish in meaning between the nouns *aurum* and *aura*.

AURUM MEANS GOLD;

AURA MEANS AIR/BREEZE

- B2. Distinguish in form between *fortissime* and *peius*.

FORTISSIME IS SUPERLATIVE;

PEIUS IS COMPARATIVE

9. Which king of Thessaly was cursed with eternal hunger?

ERYSICHTHON

B1. Who gave him this punishment?

DEMETER

B2. How did he die?

HE ATE HIMSELF

10. During the reign of which emperor was the 1000th anniversary of Rome's founding celebrated?

PHILIP THE ARAB

B1. During the reign of which emperor was the 900th anniversary of Rome's founding celebrated?

ANTONINUS PIUS

B2. During the reign of which emperor was the 800th anniversary of Rome's founding celebrated?

CLAUDIUS

11. Grammatical math time! Give your answer in Latin. Begin with the number of tenses in the indicative mood. Subtract the number of verb conjugations. Multiple by the number of noun cases. What is the final number?

QUATTUORDECIM [6 tenses in the indicative,
4 conjugations, 7 cases]

B1. Give your answer in Latin. Begin with the number of voices a verb can have. Add the number of genders in Latin. Add the number of noun declensions. What is the final number?

DECEM [2 voices, 3 genders, 5 declensions]

B2. Give your answer in Latin. Begin with the number of degrees an adjective can take. Subtract the number of adjective declensions. Add the number of degrees an adverb can take. Multiply by the standard number of verb principal parts. Add the number of genders found among second-declension nouns. What is the final number?

QUINDECIM [3 adjective degrees, 3 adjective declensions, 3 adverb degrees, 4 principal parts, 3 genders in 2nd declension nouns]

12. After impressing the gods with their great hospitality, into what were Baucis and Philemon transformed?

LINDEN AND OAK

B1. Their humble cottage was turned into this.

TEMPLE

B2. Who were the gods who visited Baucis and Philemon in disguise?

ZEUS AND HERMES/JUPITER AND MERCURY

13. Translate the following sentence into English: *Dracōnem mīlitēs necant in bellō magnō.*

THE SOLDIERS KILL THE DRAGON IN A GREAT WAR

- B1. Now translate the following sentence into English: *Dracō tamen multōs mīlitēs necāvit.*

BUT THE DRAGON KILLED MANY SOLDIERS

- B2. Translate the following sentence into Latin: The dragon was as ferocious as possible in the fight

**DRACŌ ERAT QUAM FERŌCISSIMUS
IN PUGNĀ/PROELIŌ**

14. When recognized by the moderator, perform the following action: *Primum, dīc mihi "certāmen amō!" Secundum, simulā cibum edere*

**SAY "CERTĀMEN AMŌ" THEN
PRETEND TO EAT FOOD**

- B1. *Nunc, stā et in sitū tē circumvolve*

**ONE STUDENT SHOULD
STAND AND TURN AROUND**

- B2. *Nunc, omnes ut canes latrāte.*

EVERYONE SHOULD BARK LIKE DOGS

15. What was the name for the eulogy performed at Roman funerals?

LAUDATIO FUNEBRIS

- B1. What was the name for the funeral practice in which Romans would call out the name of the dead?

CONCLAMATIO

- B2. Both the *laudatio* and *conclamatio* were part of the traditional customs practiced by the Romans throughout much of their history. What was the Roman name for this behavioral code based on the practices of their ancestors?

MOS MAIORUM

16. Which Roman god of seasons and plant growth won his lover by disguising himself and an old woman and singing his own praises?

VERTUMNUS

- B1. Who was his lover?

POMONA

- B2. Of what was Pomona the goddess?

FRUIT/ORCHARDS/GARDENS

17. Listen to the following passage, which I will read twice. Then answer in English the question that follows.

ō māter, tē amō; pater quoque. Rēx, meus fidēlis canis, es optimus canis! sed ille vir pugnābit mē, et nullam spem habēō. valēte, amīci.” deinde, magnus vir cucurrit ad parvum virum. pugna erat terribilis.

The question: name an individual whom the speaker directly addresses in the story.

HIS MOTHER/HIS FATHER/HIS DOG, REX

- B1. In what case are all of these nouns found?

VOCATIVE

- B2. What are the mood and number of the verb “*valēte*” as seen in the story above?

IMPERATIVE PLURAL

18. Which king bequeathed Pergamum to Rome in 133 BCE?

ATTALUS III

- B1. Which other ruler bequeathed his kingdom to Rome in 74 BCE?

NICOMEDES IV

- B2. What kingdom did Nicomedes rule?

BITHYNIA

19. What is the 3rd person plural perfect active indicative form of the verb “*canō*”?

CECINĒRUNT

- B1. Make “*cecinērunt*” pluperfect.

CECINERANT

- B2. Now give me the perfect passive infinitive of “*canō*.”

CANTUS/-A/-UM ESSE

20. Give the 2nd person singular present tense of the Latin verb *possum, posse* meaning “to be able”

POTES

- B1. What type of verb form typically follows the Latin verb “*possum*”?

COMPLEMENTARY INFINITIVE

- B2. From what Latin verb with what meaning does the Latin verb “*possum*” draw its present form?

SUM, ESSE, FUI, FUTŪRUS MEANING I AM/TO BE