

## 2011 FJCL State Latin Forum

### Poetry Comprehension

N.B. there are no macra on this test

#### **Passage #1: Vergil's *Aeneid* XII (411-440)**

Hic Venus indigno nati concussa dolore  
dictamnum genetrix Cretaea carpit ab Ida,  
puberibus caulem foliis et flore comantem  
purpureo; non illa feris incognita capris  
gramina, cum tergo volucres haesere sagittae.                   415  
hoc Venus obscurò faciem circumdata nimbo  
detulit, hoc fusum labris splendentibus amnem  
inficit occulte medicans, spargitque salubris  
ambrosiae sucos et odoriferam panaceam.  
fovit ea vulnus lympha longaevus lapyx                          420  
ignorans, subitoque omnis de corpore fugit  
quippe dolor, omnis stetit imo vulnere sanguis.  
iamque secuta manum nullo cogente sagitta  
excidit, atque novae rediere in pristina vires.  
'arma citi properate viro! quid statis?' lapyx                   425  
conclamat primusque animos accendit in hostem.  
'non haec humanis opibus, non arte magistra  
proveniunt, neque te, Aenea, mea dextera servat:  
maior agit deus atque opera ad maiora remittit.'  
ille avidus pugnae suras incluserat auro                         430  
hinc atque hinc oditque moras hastamque coruscat.  
postquam habilis lateri clipeus loricaque tergo est,  
Ascanium fusis circum complectitur armis  
summaque per galeam delibans oscula fatur:  
'disce, puer, virtutem ex me verumque labore,                   435  
fortunam ex aliis. nunc te mea dextera bello  
defensum dabit et magna inter praemia ducet.  
tu facito, mox cum matura adoleverit aetas,  
sis memor et te animo repetentem exempla tuorum  
et pater Aeneas et avunculus excitet Hector.'                   440

1. In line 1 Venus is
  - a. sad at having been injured
  - b. sad for the future
  - c. angry with her son
  - d. shaken at her son's injury
  
2. genetrix (412) is
  - a. Venus
  - b. Cretaea (412)
  - c. Ida (412)
  - d. the subject of carpit (412)

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15. Ille (430-1)
- a. is anxious to return to battle
  - b. is greedy for gold
  - c. has a glittering spear
  - d. hates all around him
16. magna inter praemia ducet (437) refers to
- a. the founding of Alba Longa
  - b. gifts from Dido
  - c. Lavinia
  - d. spoils from Troy
17. facito (438) is a more emphatic version of
- |        |          |           |            |
|--------|----------|-----------|------------|
| a. fac | b. facis | c. facite | d. facitis |
|--------|----------|-----------|------------|
18. In lines 435-440 Aeneas
- a. orders his son to be mindful of what he does
  - b. asserts that his uncle Hector was an example to all
  - c. reminds his son to be mindful of what he does
  - d. urges the boy to consider his past and his future

**Passage #2: Tibullus IV.6**

Natalis Iuno, sanctos cape turis acervos,  
 quos tibi dat tenera docta puella manu;  
 tota tibi est hodie, tibi se laetissima compsit,  
 staret ut ante tuos conspicienda focos.  
 Illa quidem ornandi causas tibi, diva, relegat<sup>1</sup>; 5  
 est tamen, occulte cui placuisse velit.  
 At tu, sancta, fave, neu quis divellat amantes,  
 sed iuveni, quaeso, mutua vincla para.  
 Sic bene compones: ulla non ille puellae  
 servire aut cuiquam dignior illa viro. 10  
 Nec possit cupidos vigilans deprendere custos  
 fallendique vias mille ministret Amor.  
 Adnue purpureaque veni perlucida palla:  
 ter tibi fit libo, ter, dea casta, mero;  
 praecipit et natae mater studiosa, quod optat: 15  
 illa aliud tacita iam sua mente rogat;  
 uritur, ut celeres urunt altaria flammae,  
 nec, liceat quamvis, sana fuisse velit.  
 Sis iuveni grata ac, veniet cum proximus annus,  
 hic idem votis iam vetus exstet amor. 20

19. Natalis (line 1) is
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|-----------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| a. dative | b. genitive | c. nominative | d. vocative |
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<sup>1</sup> relego (1), *asccribe*

20. In line 2, the poet praises
- his girlfriend's scholarship granted by Juno
  - his learned girlfriend and her delicate hands
  - his slim girlfriend's well-trained hand
  - his slim, tasteful girlfriend
21. In lines 1-2
- Juno takes offense at a girl's action
  - a girl makes an offering to her guardian spirit
  - a girl steals a pile dedicated to Juno
  - the poet apologizes for his girlfriend's theft
22. tibi in line 3 is a
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|------------------------|------------------------|
| a. dative of agent     | b. dative of purpose   |
| c. dative of reference | d. dative of direction |
23. staret (line 4) is an example of
- |             |               |                    |           |
|-------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------|
| a. enallage | b. hyperbaton | c. personification | d. zeugma |
|-------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------|
24. The best translation for ut (line 4) is
- |       |                  |        |         |
|-------|------------------|--------|---------|
| a. as | b. in order that | c. how | d. like |
|-------|------------------|--------|---------|
25. The quis in line 7 is best translated as
- |           |             |        |        |
|-----------|-------------|--------|--------|
| a. anyone | b. each one | c. why | d. who |
|-----------|-------------|--------|--------|
26. In lines 9-12, the poet argues
- the girl is a slave and unworthy of men
  - the girl is trying to escape and save her lover
  - the relationship is good and love will win anyway
  - the wrong young man loves the girl
27. The illa of line 16 is both natae (line 15) and
- |                  |                    |                     |                  |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| a. Iuno (line 1) | b. puella (line 2) | c. custos (line 11) | d. dea (line 14) |
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28. Line 17 contains which rhetorical device?
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|-------------|------------|-----------|-------------|
| a. chiasmus | b. litotes | c. simile | d. pleonasm |
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29. The palla (line 13) is
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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a. the girl's outer garment | b. a wedding veil                   |
| c. a funeral covering       | d. the shimmering robe of a goddess |
30. The poet's birthday wish for the puella is a
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| a. beautiful new outfit | b. better relationship with her mother |
| c. lasting relationship | d. renewed respect for the gods        |

### Passage #3: Catullus 65

Etsi me assiduo confectum cura dolore  
sevocat a doctis, Hortale, virginibus,  
nec potis est dulces Musarum expromere fetus  
mens animi, tantis fluctuat ipsa malis--  
namque mei nuper Lethaeo gurgite fratriς 5  
pallidulum manans alluit unda pedem,  
Troia Rhoeteo quem subter litore tellus  
ereptum nostris obteri ex oculis;  
.....  
numquam ego te, vita frater amabilior,  
aspiciam posthac? at certe semper amabo,  
semper maesta tua carmina morte canam,  
qualia sub densis ramorum concinit umbris  
Daulias, absumpti fata gemens Ityli—

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38. Line 10 contains an example of an  
 a. anaphora              b. anastrophe              c. aposiopesis              d. apostrophe
39. In lines 12-14, Catullus compares  
 a. himself to a dead prince              b. his brother to shadows  
 c. his future poems to nightingale songs              d. the underworld to his grief

**Passage #4: Ovid's *Metamorphoses* IV.390-416**

Finis erat dictis. Sed adhuc Mineyia proles              390  
 urget opus spernitque deum festumque profanat,  
 tympana cum subito non adparentia raucis  
 obstrepere sonis, et adunco tibia cornu  
 tinnulaque aera sonant; redolent murraeque crocique,  
 resque fide maior, coepere virescere telae              395  
 inque hederae faciem pendens frondescere vestis.  
 Pars abit in vites, et quae modo fila fuerunt,  
 palmite mutantur; de stamine pampinus exit;  
 purpura fulgorem pictis adcommodat uvis.  
 Iamque dies exactus erat, tempusque subibat,              400  
 quod tu nec tenebras nec possis dicere lucem,  
 sed cum luce tamen dubiae confinia noctis:  
 tecta repente quati pinguesque ardere videntur  
 lampades et rutilis conlucere ignibus aedes  
 falsaque saevarum simulacula ululare ferarum.              405  
 Fumida iamdudum latitant per tecta sorores,  
 diversaeque locis ignes ac lumina vitant;  
 dumque petunt tenebras, parvos membrana per artus  
 porrigitur tenuique includit bracchia pinna.  
 Nec qua perdiderint veterem ratione figuram              410  
 scire sinunt tenebrae. Non illas pluma levavit,  
 sustinuere tamen se perlucentibus alis;  
 conataeque loqui minimam et pro corpore vocem  
 emittunt, peraguntque leves stridore querellas.  
 Tectaque, non silvas celebrant lucemque perosae              415  
 nocte volant, seroque tenent a vespere nomen.

40. obstipuere in line 393 is best identified as  
 a. future active participle              b. present passive imperative  
 c. perfect active indicative              d. present active infinitive
41. Line 396 contains how many elisions?  
 a. 0              b. 1              c. 2              d. 3

