

**REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2005
ADVANCED CERTAMEN
ROUND ONE**

1. What is the meaning of the Latin noun vultus?

Answer: FACE; EXPRESSION; COUNTENANCE; FEATURES

- B1. What similar Latin noun means "crowd, rabble, the common people"?

Answer: VULGUS

- B2. What similar Latin noun means "vulture"?

Answer: VULTUR

2. In the early Republic, which magistrates, although lacking imperium, could debase a citizen into a lower class, revise the list of the Senate, and divide citizens into property classes?

Answer: CENSORS

- B1. Because of these vast powers, what political reservation was placed upon those wishing to run for censor?

**Answer: THEY MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE CURSUS
HONORUM (HELD THE CONSULSHIP)**

- B2. One of Rome's greatest patrician reformers was censor in 312 B.C. Name him.

Answer: APPIUS CLAUDIUS CAECUS (THE BLIND)

3. What king of Elis was know for his remarkably dirty stables?

Answer: AUGEIAS

- B1. Which Olympian is sometimes said to be the father of Augeias?

Answer: POSEIDON

- B2. Heracles cleaned Augeias' stables in a single day. Describe how he did it.

**Answer: HE DIVERTED A RIVER (OR TWO) THROUGH THE
STABLES.**

4. Give the three standard different translations of the word cum when it is used as a conjunction?

Answer: WHEN, SINCE, ALTHOUGH

- B1. What are the four main types of these cum clauses?

**Answer: CAUSAL, CIRCUMSTANTIAL, CONCESSIVE
TEMPORAL**

- B2. Which of these four types always uses an indicative verb?

Answer: TEMPORAL

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Round One

5. What was the term given to priests in Rome who were appointed to serve a specific god?

Answer: FLAMEN (FLAMINES)

- B1. What was the term given to the chief priest of Jupiter?

Answer: FLAMEN DIALIS

- B2. Jupiter was one of only three deities whose flamen had to be a patrician. Name one of the other two.

Answer: QUIRINUS OR MARS

6. What English derivative of the Latin verb meaning "to be born" means "determined by factors present at birth; inborn, inherent"?

Answer: INNATE

- B1. What English derivative of the Latin verb meaning "to be born" means "having recently come into existence"?

Answer: NASCENT

- B2. What English derivative of the Latin verb meaning "to be born" means "deficient in worldly experience; innocent"?

Answer: NAÏVE

7. In a village near Rome, there was a disastrous gladiatorial show in which the stands collapsed and 50,000 people were reported killed or injured. Which Julio-Claudian, known for his notoriously thrifty habits, put on this show?

Answer: TIBERIUS

- B1. In what year of Tiberius' reign was Sejanus put to death?

Answer: A.D. 31

- B2. Who was appointed praetorian prefect upon Sejanus's death?

Answer: MACRO

8. Which Greek leader of the Trojan War may have been the grandson of the great mythological thief Autolycus?

Answer: ODYSSEUS

- B1. Who was Odysseus' mother, who may have been seduced by Sisyphus?

Answer: ANTICLEIA

- B2. Sisyphus supposedly seduced Anticleia to gain revenge on Autolycus. What had Autolycus done?

Answer: HE HAD STOLEN SISYPHUS' CATTLE

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Round One

9. Name the Roman poet whose favorite meter is technically known as Phalaecian, although it is most commonly called hendecasyllabic?

Answer: CATULLUS

- B1. To which Roman province did Catullus travel with Gaius Memmius?

Answer: BITHYNIA

- B2. One of Catullus's most famous poems begins "Ille mi par esse deo videtur."
To whom does "Ille" refer?

**Answer: ANY MAN SITTING NEAR LESBIA (ANY MAN WHO IS
IN HER PRESENCE)**

10. For the Latin verb traho, give the second person plural, pluperfect active subjunctive.

Answer: TRAXISSETIS

- B1. Make traxissetis passive.

Answer: TRACTI ESSETIS

- B2. Make tracti essetis present.

Answer: TRAHAMINI

**REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2005
ADVANCED CERTAMEN
ROUND TWO**

1. Which later Roman emperor passed a famous edict standardizing prices in A.D. 301?
Answer: DIOCLETIAN
 - B1. In what year did Diocletian abdicate as Augustus?
Answer: A.D. 305
 - B2. Who abdicated with him?
Answer: MAXIMIAN

2. Translate the following sentence into English: "Unum bellum malum est, duo bella peiora sunt, tria bella pessima sunt."
Answer: ONE WAR IS BAD, TWO WARS ARE WORSE, THREE WARS ARE THE WORST.
 - B1. Say in Latin: "I have seen 346 wars."
Answer: TRECENTA QUADRAGINTA SEX BELLA VIDI.
 - B2. Translate this sentence into English: "Tertium decimum bellum erat ferocissimum."
Answer: THE THIRTEENTH WAR WAS VERY FIERCE (MOST FIERCE, FIERCEST)

3. To whom does this quotation refer: "Mantua me genuit, Calabri rapuere, tenet nunc Parthenope"?
Answer: VERGIL
 - B1. What is the source of that quotation?
Answer: VERGIL'S EPITAPH
 - B2. In Vergil epitaph he also states "Cecini pascua, rura, duces," which is reminiscent of the opening three words of the Aeneid. What are those words?
Answer: ARMA VIRUMQUE CANO

4. To what mythological location was Ariadne taken after she was rescued by Dionysus, the same place where Hephaestus landed after being thrown off Mt. Olympus?
Answer: LEMNOS
 - B1. One of Ariadne's sons became king of Lemnos and was the only man to escape the slaughter of the men of Lemnos. Who was he?
Answer: THOAS
 - B2. What Greek spent most of the Trojan War marooned on Lemnos?
Answer: PHILOCTETES

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Round Two

5. Give the Latin noun and its meaning from which we derive the English word "indefinite."

Answer: FINIS – END, BOUNDARY

- B1. Give the Latin noun and its meaning from which we derive the English word "renown."

Answer: NOMEN – NAME

- B2. Give the Latin noun and its meaning from which we derive the English word "revelry."

Answer: BELLUM – WAR

6. The Roman annexation of which Eastern province caused Mithridates to invade it in 74 B.C.?

Answer: BITHYNIA

- B1. What childless Bithynian ruler bequeathed his country to Rome?

Answer: NICOMEDES III

- B2. Mithridates was able to destroy the fleet that the Roman consul Marcus Aurelius Cotta led. This left the other consul to wage the war alone. Who was he?

Answer: (LUCIUS LICINIUS) LUCULLUS

7. What would be done to a Roman slave immediately before he was to testify in a criminal law case?

Answer: HE WOULD BE TORTURED

- B1. Why was the torture of slave witnesses considered a necessity?

Answer: IT WAS THOUGHT THAT THEY WOULD NOT TELL THE TRUTH OTHERWISE.

- B2. Which of the following was NOT one of the legal ways to execute a prisoner during the Roman Republic: hanging, crucifixion, decapitation, or drowning?

Answer: HANGING

8. What is the meaning of the Latin correlatives cum...tum?

Answer: NOT ONLY...BUT ALSO (ALSO RARELY AS BOTH...AND)

- B1. Give a set of Latin correlatives that is a SYNONYM of aut...aut.

Answer: VEL...VEL

- B2. Give a set of Latin correlatives that can mean "whether...or."

Answer: SIVE...SIVE (SEU...SEU, UTRUM...AN)

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Round Two

9. Translate the relative pronoun in the following sentence into Latin: "We found the girls whom the magistrate had persuaded to flee."

Answer: QUIBUS

- B1. In the same sentence, "We found the girls whom the magistrate had persuaded to flee," translate "to flee."

Answer: UT FUGERENT

- B2. Which of the following verbs would **NOT** have taken a dative: impero, rogo, credo, fido?

Answer: ROGO

10. Which king of Calydon was punished for impiety by having a giant boar ravage his country?

Answer: OENEUS

- B1. Which goddess sent the boar?

Answer: ARTEMIS

- B2. Which of the Seven Against Thebes was involved in the Calydonian boar hunt and drew second blood after Atalanta?

Answer: AMPHIARAUS

REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2005
ADVANCED CERTAMEN
ROUND THREE

1. Identify the type of condition illustrated in the following sentence: "If I were swifter, I would run to Rome."

Answer: CONTRARY TO FACT IN PRESENT TIME

- B1. Translate the verbs in that sentence: "If I were swifter, I would run to Rome."

Answer: ESSEM / CURREREM

- B2. Change the verbs to make the condition a contrary to fact in past time.

Answer: FUISSEM / CUCURRISSEM

2. Which Greek deity was the first to receive the cup at feasts, called the gods to assembly, and warned Zeus that any child of Thetis would become greater than his father?

Answer: THEMIS

- B1. Which two groups of mythological women did Themis bear to Zeus?

Answer: THE FATES (MOIRAE) AND THE SEASONS (HORAE)

- B2. What arcane instructions did Themis give Deucalion on how to repopulate the earth after the flood?

Answer: TO THROW HIS MOTHER'S BONES BEHIND HIM

3. Give the Latin word and its meaning from which we derive "imposter," "provost," "depot," and "imposition."

Answer: PONO – PUT, PLACE

- B1. Which other derivative of pono means "a predilection towards a certain way of acting"?

Answer: PREDISPOSITION

- B2. Which other derivative of "pono" means a hypothesis or theory?

Answer: SUPPOSITION

4. What man was considered an unlikely demagogue because he was the grandson of Scipio Africanus and had served under Scipio Aemilianus at Carthage?

Answer: TIBERIUS GRACCHUS (must give both names)

- B1. Tiberius Gracchus tried to keep the sacrosanctity of the tribunate by attempting to succeed himself. What law of 180 B.C. prohibited him from doing so?

Answer: LEX VILLIA

- B2. What "inheritance" of the Roman people had Tiberius tried to seize for his land reform?

Answer: PERGAMUM (Bequeathed to Rome by its last king)

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Round Three

5. According to Cassius Dio, what emperor handed a sword to the commander of the Praetorian Guard saying, "Take this sword to use for me if I rule well or against me if I rule badly" when he left the army of the Rhine to become emperor?

Answer: TRAJAN

- B1. What king of Dacia was Trajan's nemesis for several years of warfare?

Answer: DECEBALUS

- B2. After annexing Dacia, Trajan set out for Parthia and captured its capital city. Name that city.

Answer: CTESIPHON

6. What use of the dative is found in the following sentence: "Hic labor mihi faciendus est"?

Answer: DATIVE OF AGENT

- B1. What use of the dative is found in the famous exclamation: "Vae victis!"

Answer: DATIVE OF REFERENCE

- B2. What use of the dative is found in the sentence: "Hunc mihi terrorem eripe"?

Answer: DATIVE OF SEPARATION

7. What woman betrayed her father and her country to King Minos of Crete by cutting off her father's purple lock of hair?

Answer: SCYLLA

- B1. Who was Scylla's unfortunate father?

Answer: NISUS

- B2. Of what country was Nisus the ruler?

Answer: MEGARA

8. Which of these is **NOT** one of the three rooms that was situated closest to a bath house's hypocaustum: sudatorium, apodyterium, caldarium, laconicum?

Answer: APODYTERIUM

- B1. What is the meaning of the noun at the root of sudatorium?

Answer: SWEAT

- B2. What was the apodyterium in a bath?

Answer: A CHANGING ROOM

9. What literary work by Cato the Elder is the oldest extant Latin prose work and describes the correct ways to maintain a farm?

Answer: DE AGRICULTURA (DE RE RUSTICA)

- B1. Cato also wrote seven books on Roman history. What title did he give to this work?

Answer: ORIGINES

- B2. In which famous war was Cato a participant?

Answer: SECOND PUNIC WAR

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Round Three

10. What does the rustic Latin noun pabulum mean?

Answer: FOOD; FODDER

B1. In the same vein, what is an aratrum?

Answer: A PLOW

B2. Similarly, what implement was a falx?

Answer: A SICKLE

REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2005
ADVANCED CERTAMEN
FINAL ROUND

1. Which Giant was said to be stretched out for nine acres in the Underworld?
Answer: TITYUS
 - B1. What was Tityus' eternal punishment?
Answer: HE HAD HIS LIVER DEVOURED DAILY.
 - B2. Which other Giant was imprisoned under Mount Etna?
Answer: ENCELADUS

2. Which of the following is **NOT** derived from the same Latin word as the others: miscreant, creative, creed, incredible?
Answer: CREATIVE
 - B1. Give the Latin verb and its meaning from which we derive "miscreant," "creed," and "incredible."
Answer: CREDO – TO BELIEVE
 - B2. Give the Latin verb and its meaning from which we derive "creative."
Answer: CREO – TO CREATE

3. Give ALL four participial forms of the Latin verb porto that agree with the noun form matri.
Answer: PORTANTI, PORTATAE, PORTATURAE, PORTANDAE
 - B1. Give ALL four participial forms of the Latin verb patior that agree with the noun form milites.
Answer: PATIENTES, PASSI, PASSURI, PATIENDI
 - B2. Give the participial form of the Latin verb volo, velle that agrees with the noun form maria.
Answer: VOLENTIA

4. Which first century empress of Rome was well-known for her extravagances, including her custom of having 500 donkeys milked for her daily bath?
Answer: POPPAEA (SABINA)
 - B1. How did Poppaea die?
Answer: NERO KICKED HER TO DEATH (IN THE ABDOMEN WHEN SHE WAS PREGNANT)
 - B2. Nero had conveniently sent Poppaea's first husband Otho to govern a province so that he could marry her. Which province was it?
Answer: LUSITANIA

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Final Round

5. Which king of Troy was a notorious cheat, swindling not only Heracles for rescuing his daughter, but even Apollo and Poseidon for building Troy's walls?

Answer: LAOMEDON

- B1. Who was the maiden that Heracles had rescued from a sea monster?

Answer: HESIONE

- B2. What had Laomedon promised Heracles and then refused to give?

Answer: HIS IMMORTAL HORSES

6. Give the name for a work of Horace, consisting of 17 poems, which the author referred to as "Iambi."

Answer: EPODES

- B1. Which of these phrases is **NOT** associated with Horace: *rara avis, aurea mediocritas, carpe diem, fons Bandusiae*?

Answer: RARA AVIS

- B2. Which author gave us the phrase "rara avis"?

Answer: JUVENAL

7. What is the meaning of the indeclinable Latin noun mane?

Answer: MORNING

- B1. Mane can be confused with the plural noun manes. What does manes mean?

Answer: SPIRITS OF THE DEAD; THE UNDERWORLD

- B2. Since we are discussing time, how would a Roman say, "in early summer"?

Answer: PRIMA AESTATE

8. Name the month in which all of the following festivals were held: Quirinalia, Feralia, and Lupercalia.

Answer: FEBRUARY

- B1. What two types of animals were sacrificed at the Lupercalia?

Answer: GOATS AND A DOG

- B2. With which Greek god was Lupercus identified?

Answer: PAN

9. Translate the following sentence: "Vereor ut victuri simus."

Answer: I FEAR THAT WE WILL NOT (ARE NOT GOING TO) WIN.

- B1. Translate this sentence: "Noli timere. Sum tam peritus ut semper vincamus."

Answer: DON'T FEAR. I AM SO SKILLED THAT WE ALWAYS WIN.

- B2. Translate this sentence: "Non est dubium quin superbia mea omnes pigeat."

Answer: THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT MY ARROGANCE ANNOYS EVERYONE.

2205 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Final Round

10. Which co-consul of Rome took command at the battle of Magnesia in 190 B.C. after Scipio Africanus became ill?

Answer: (GNAEUS DOMITIUS) AHENOBARBUS

- B1. Which ruler of Pergamum assisted Ahenobarbus?

Answer: EUMENES II

- B2. Who was the consul of 190 B.C. and the nominal leader of the army?

Answer: LUCIUS CORNELIUS SCIPIO

11. Identify the book of the Aeneid that contains the following lines:

"est in conspectu Tenedos, notissima fama
insula, dives opum Priami dum regna manebant,
nunc tantum sinus et statio male fida carinis."

Answer: BOOK TWO

- B1. In the third of these lines, "nunc tantum sinus et statio male fida carinis," identify a figure of speech other than alliteration.

Answer: SYNECDOCHE OR LITOTES

- B2. In the phrase "dives opum," what use of the genitive is used?

Answer: GENITIVE OF RESPECT / SPECIFICATION

12. What state's Latin motto contains a gerund?

Answer: NEW MEXICO

- B1. What two states have Latin mottoes which contain future imperatives?

Answer: IDAHO AND MISSOURI

- B2. What state has a Latin motto that contains the imperative of a deponent verb?

Answer: MARYLAND (CRESCITE ET MULTIPLICAMINI)

13. What man ascended to the imperial throne in A.D. 268 after the death of Gallienus?

Answer: CLAUDIUS II(CLAUDIUS GOTHICUS)

- B1. How did Claudius Gothicus die?

Answer: PLAGUE

- B2. A legend arose that Claudius Gothicus knew that he was going to contract the plague and die during his Gallic campaign, but he went anyway "for the good of the Republic." Where had he supposedly received his information?

Answer: THE SIBYLLINE BOOKS

14. Three sky deities were the children of the Titans Hyperion and Theia. Name one of them.

Answer: HELIUS (SELENE, EOS)

- B1. Helios' best-known offspring was Phaethon. Who was Phaethon's mother?

Answer: CLYMENE

- B2. Selene and Eos are both well known for their affairs with two mortals. Name the young men with whom each is closely associated.

Answer: ENDYMION AND TITHONUS

2005 Regional – Advanced Certamen – Final Round

15. For what occasion might an epithalamion be written?

Answer: A WEDDING

B1. On what occasion might you hear a "genethliacon"?

Answer: A BIRTHDAY

B2. Which of these was considered a poem based on a person's recovery from an illness: eucharisticon, soteria, propempticon, epicedion?

Answer: SOTERIA