

**REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2002
CERTAMEN LEVEL TWO
ROUND ONE**

1. Which emperor effectively ended the practice of cooptation by allowing his own son to succeed him?

Answer: **MARCUS AURELIUS**

- B1. Name this son of Marcus Aurelius.

Answer: **COMMODUS**

- B2. Commodus prided himself on his fighting skills and even claimed divine honors as one of the mythological heroes. Identify this hero.

Answer: **HERCULES**

2. Name the ill-fated friend of Achilles who was killed while wearing Achilles' armor.

Answer: **PATROCLUS**

- B1. Who killed Patroclus?

Answer: **HECTOR**

- B2. Achilles had refused to fight because of a quarrel with the Greek commander. Name this commander.

Answer: **AGAMEMNON**

3. Distinguish in meaning between inquam and umquam.

Answer: **INQUAM = I SAY; UMQUAM = EVER, AT ANY TIME**

- B1. Give the ANTONYM of umquam.

Answer: **NUMQUAM**

- B2. Speaking of negatives, what is the Latin word for "nothing"?

Answer: **NIHIL**

4. Say in Latin, "a strong army."

Answer: **EXERCITUS FORTIS**

- B1. Change exercitus fortis to the corresponding ablative singular.

Answer: **EXERCITU FORTI**

- B2. Change exercitu forti to the genitive plural.

Answer: **EXERCITIUM FORTIUM**

5. A Roman acquaintance tells you to meet him in the Forum on the Ides of Quintilis. What date is this on our calendar?

Answer: **JULY 15TH**

- B1. Your friend tells you to meet him during the seventh hour. What time would this be according to our clocks?

Answer: **BETWEEN 12 AND 1 P.M.**

- B2. Your friend suggests you meet him again on the fourth day before the Nones of September. What date would that be according to our calendar?

Answer: **SEPTEMBER 2**

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6. What Latin verb is at the root of the English verb "counterfeit"?

Answer: **FACIO**

B1. Counterfeiting is a sinister business. What is the meaning of the Latin adjective from which we derive "sinister"?

Answer: **LEFT**

B2. Give the dictionary entry for the Latin **ANTONYM** of **sinister**.

Answer: **DEXTER, DEXTRA, DEXTRUM, RIGHT**

7. For the verb **amo**, give the present passive infinitive.

Answer: **AMARI**

B1. Change **amari** to the perfect active infinitive.

Answer: **AMAVISSE**

B2. Now change **amavisse** to the future active infinitive.

Answer: **AMATURUM ESSE (AMATURUS ESSE)**

8. Name the princess whose hand in marriage was the prize in a chariot race.

Answer: **HIPPODAMIA**

B1. Who won Hippodamia for his wife?

Answer: **PELOPS**

B2. Who was the father of Pelops?

Answer: **TANTALUS**

9. In what year did the rebellion of Spartacus begin?

Answer: **73 B.C.**

B1. In what city did the rebellion begin?

Answer: **CAPUA**

B2. Two generals combined their efforts to put down the rebellion but only one of them was awarded a triumph. Which general was the lucky one?

Answer: **POMPEY**

10. What state has as its motto, "Audemus iura nostra defendere"?

Answer: **ALABAMA**

B1. Translate the motto of Alabama.

Answer: **WE DARE TO DEFEND OUR RIGHTS.**

B2. Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **R.I.P.**

Answer: **MAY HE/SHE (LET HIM/HER) REST IN PEACE**

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ROUND TWO**

1. In what year was the First Triumvirate formed?

Answer: **60 B.C.**

B1. Name the member of the First Triumvirate who died in 53 B.C.

Answer: **CRASSUS**

B2. Which member of the Second Triumvirate was the first to die?

Answer: **ANTONY**

2. Who was the father of Deucalion?

Answer: **PROMETHEUS**

B1. How was Prometheus related to Pandora?

Answer: **BROTHER-IN-LAW**

B2. Who freed Prometheus from his chains on Mt. Caucasus?

Answer: **HERACLES**

3. To what general category do sculponeae, calcei, and soleae belong?

Answer: **SHOES**

B1. What term was used for a patrician's red shoe?

Answer: **MULLEUS**

B2. Give the Latin word for a shoemaker.

Answer: **SUTOR**

4. For the sentence, "I liked those games better," translate "those."

Answer: **ILLOS (EOS)**

B1. For the sentence, "I like this food," translate "this."

Answer: **HUNC (EUM)**

B2. For the sentence, "Cornelia likes bread with some honey on it," translate "on it."

Answer: **IN EO**

5. Distinguish in meaning between vix and vis.

Answer: **VIX = SCARCELY; VIS = FORCE, VIOLENCE**

B1. Distinguish in meaning between sol and solus.

Answer: **SOL = SUN; SOLUS = ALONE, ONLY**

B2. Distinguish in meaning between fero and ferio.

Answer: **FERO = BEAR, CARRY; FERIO = STRIKE, HIT**

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6. For the sentence, "The baggage which you are carrying looks heavy," translate the relative pronoun.

Answer: **QUAE**

- B1. Translate the word "which" in this sentence: Which city in Italy will you visit first?

Answer: **QUAM**

- B2. Translate the prepositional phrase in the sentence, "I wish I were going with you."

Answer: **TECUM (VOBISCUM)**

7. What is the meaning of the fourth-declension noun from which "airport" is derived?

Answer: **HARBOR (PORT)**

- B1. Which of the following is **NOT** derived from portus: passport, porthole, opportunity, seaport?

Answer: **PORTHOLE**

- B2. Give the dictionary entry for the Latin word from which "porthole" is derived.

Answer: **PORTA, PORTAE, F. GATE**

8. Name the emperor who married a Vestal Virgin, brought a black meteorite to Rome to be worshipped as a god, and tried to overhaul the state religion.

Answer: **ELAGABALUS (BASSIANUS)**

- B1. Name the emperor who ruled from A.D. 361 to 363 and also attempted to restore the faith of the Roman people in the old gods.

Answer: **JULIAN (THE APOSTATE)**

- B2. Name the emperor who made Christianity the official state religion of the Roman empire.

Answer: **THEODOSIUS I**

9. Give the abbreviation a policeman would use to discuss a suspect's method of committing a crime.

Answer: **M.O.**

- B1. Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation "m.o."

Answer: **MODUS OPERANDI; METHOD (MANNER) OF OPERATION**

- B2. Give the Latin phrase used for a prisoner's right to appear in court.

Answer: **HABEAS CORPUS**

10. Which goddess was referred to as the patron of crossroads and sorcerers?

Answer: **HECATE**

- B1. Name the "goddess of the silver bow" closely associated with Hecate.

Answer: **ARTEMIS (DIANA)**

- B2. Which city in Asia Minor was famous for its temple to Artemis?

Answer: **EPHESUS**

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CERTAMEN LEVEL TWO
ROUND THREE

1. We all know that Helen's face "launched a thousand ships." Who was her sister?
Answer: **CLYTEMNESTRA**
 - B1. Clytemnestra was destructive in her own right and killed her husband Agamemnon. Who avenged this murder?
Answer: **ORESTES**
 - B2. Orestes was eventually tried for this crime. Who was the presiding judge at his trial?
Answer: **ATHENA**

2. Give the term for a trainer of gladiators.
Answer: **LANISTA**
 - B1. Where were gladiatorial shows in Rome usually held during the Republic?
Answer: **IN THE FORUM**
 - B2. In what year were the first gladiatorial exhibitions given in Rome?
Answer: **264 B.C.**

3. In the sentence, "One of the boys dropped his books on the way to school," translate "one of the boys."
Answer: **UNUS DE (EX) PUERIS**
 - B1. In the same sentence, "One of the boys dropped his books on the way to school," translate "his."
Answer: **SUOS**
 - B2. In the sentence, "I dropped his books on the way to school," translate "his."
Answer: **EIUS**

4. What Latin phrase would be used to indicate "the summit of achievement"?
Answer: **NE PLUS ULTRA**
 - B1. On the other hand, what phrase would you use if something went wrong because you made a mistake?
Answer: **MEA CULPA**
 - B2. What author penned the phrase "mea culpa"?
Answer: **OVID**

5. Name the Roman emperor who ruled from A.D. 270 to 275.
Answer: **AURELIAN**
 - B1. Name the queen of Palmyra whom he defeated in war.
Answer: **ZENOBIA**
 - B2. Which province did Aurelian abandon?
Answer: **DACIA**

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6. Translate into Latin, "a more beautiful woman."

Answer: **PULCHRIOR FEMINA**

- B1. Now translate "a very beautiful woman."

Answer: **PULCHERRIMA FEMINA**

- B2. For the sentence, "This woman sang more beautifully than that one," translate "more beautifully."

Answer: **PULCHRUS**

7. What is the meaning of the adjective from which we derive "exacerbate"?

Answer: **SHARP, FIERCE (ACER)**

- B1. From what second conjugation verb do we derive "etude"?

Answer: **STUDEO**

- B2. One of the meanings of studeo is "to take an interest in." From what verb do we derive the word "interest"?

Answer: **SUM**

8. What hero outsmarted the Symplegades?

Answer: **JASON**

- B1. What deity helped Jason in his quest for the golden fleece?

Answer: **HERA**

- B2. Name the uncle of Jason who had been warned to beware of the man wearing one sandal.

Answer: **PELIAS**

9. Give the comparative adjective meaning "better."

Answer: **MELIOR**

- B1. Give the ANTONYM for melior.

Answer: **PEIOR**

- B2. Give the numerical adverb meaning "twice."

Answer: **BIS**

10. What battle during the Second Punic War cost Rome 50,000 men?

Answer: **CANNAE**

- B1. What city was the casus belli for the Second Punic War?

Answer: **SAGUNTUM**

- B2. Which prominent general during the Second Punic War was called "The Shield of Rome" on the one hand and "Cunctator" on the other?

Answer: **(QUINTUS) FABIVS MAXIMVS**

**REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2002
CERTAMEN LEVEL TWO
CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND**

1. For the sentence, "He said that the farmers were in the country," translate "farmers."

Answer: **AGRICOLAS**

- B1. For the same sentence, "He said that the farmers were in the country," translate "were."

Answer: **ESSE**

- B2. In the sentence, "I knew that the farmers had been in the country," translate "had been."

Answer: **FUISSE**

2. Name the man who raped Lucretia and thus was responsible for the downfall of the monarchy.

Answer: **SEXTUS TARQUINIUS**

- B1. Lucretia was married to Collatinus. How was he related to Tarquinius Priscus?

Answer: **NEPHEW**

- B2. The cognomen Brutus supposedly alludes to a ruse adopted by Lucius Junius to avoid being murdered by the Tarquins. What did he do?

Answer: **PRETENDED TO BE AN IDIOT (BRUTUS = STUPID)**

3. Give the principal parts for the verb meaning "to fall."

Answer: **CADO, CADERE, CECIDI, CASUM**

- B1. Give the principal parts for the verb meaning "to cut down" or "to kill."

Answer: **CAEDO, CAEDERE, CECĪDI, CAESUM (Be sure they differentiate between the two forms of the third principal part.)**

- B2. Give the third conjugation -io verb which is a SYNONYM of caedo.

Answer: **INTERFICIO**

4. To what group do Pempredo, Dino, and Enys belong?

Answer: **GRAEAE**

- B1. Which hero needed the help of the Graeae to accomplish his mission?

Answer: **PERSEUS**

- B2. What collective name is given to the sisters of the Graeae?

Answer: **GORGONS**

5. Name the Roman consul who defeated Philip V in 197 B.C.

Answer: **(TITUS QUINCTIUS) FLAMININUS (Flaminius is NOT correct.)**

- B1. Name the battle in which Philip was defeated.

Answer: **CYNOSCEPHALAE**

- B2. About thirty years later the Romans defeated the Macedonians again. Name this battle.

Answer: **PYDNA**

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6. Give the third person singular present indicative of eo.

Answer: **IT**

- B1. Change it to the imperfect.

Answer: **IBAT**

- B2. Change ibat to the future perfect.

Answer: **IVERIT (IERIT)**

7. Give the term for the toga worn by a Roman to show he was in mourning.

Answer: **TOGA PULLA**

- B1. What type of tree branch was placed on the door of a Roman house to indicate the family was in mourning?

Answer: **CYPRESS (PINE)**

- B2. What festival honoring the dead was observed on February 21?

Answer: **FERALIA**

8. According to derivation, when would a vernal holiday be celebrated?

Answer: **SPRING**

- B1. During holiday parties people tend to be "loquacious." What is the meaning of the Latin word from which "loquacious" is derived?

Answer: **TALK (SPEAK)**

- B2. Sometimes people at holiday parties can also become high-spirited. What is the meaning of the Latin verb from which "high-spirited" is derived?

Answer: **BREATHE**

9. What was the difference between a pilentum and a carpentum?

Answer: **PILENTUM = HAD 4 WHEELS; CARPENTUM = HAD 2 WHEELS**

- B1. The pilentum and carpentum were used as state vehicles in processions. If families wanted to travel, they would use a 4-wheeled covered wagon. What was this wagon called?

Answer: **RAEDA**

- B2. If a traveller were in a hurry, he would probably use a two-wheeled uncovered cart. What was this vehicle called?

Answer: **CISIUM**

10. For the verb laudo, give the first person plural present active subjunctive form.

Answer: **LAUDEMUS**

- B1. Identify the use of the subjunctive illustrated in this sentence: Magistrum laudemus.

Answer: **HORTATORY**

- B2. For the sentence, "We came to see the games," translate "to see."

Answer: **UT VIDEREMUS**

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11. Which Roman general was the first to invade Germany?

Answer: **JULIUS CAESAR**

B1. What battle with the Germans in A.D. 9 was a disaster for the Romans?

Answer: **TEUTOBERG FOREST**

B2. Name the German leader who defeated the Romans.

Answer: **ARMINIUS (HERMANN)**

12. What was the second labor of Heracles?

Answer: **LERNAEAN HYDRA**

B1. Who helped Heracles destroy the Hydra?

Answer: **IOLAUS**

B2. How was Iolaus related to Heracles?

Answer: **NEPHEW**

13. What is the meaning of the word from which we derive "orient"?

Answer: **RISE (SPRING, DESCEND FROM)**

B1. Which of the following words gives us the **ANTONYM** of "orient": verito, occido, morior, abeo?

Answer: **OCCIDO (OCCIDENT)**

B2. Which of the following is derived from the same Latin word as "orient": original, order, adorn, oracle?

Answer: **ORIGINAL**

14. Steven Saylor has written several mystery novels under the series title of "Roma Sub Rosa." What is the idiomatic meaning of "sub rosa"?

Answer: **SECRETLY (PRIVATELY, CONFIDENTIALLY)**

B1. If a Roman promised to do something "ad Kalendas Graecas," when did he plan to do it?

Answer: **NEVER**

B2. What Latin phrase would a Roman have used to indicate something that was "one of a kind"?

Answer: **SUI GENERIS**

15. What deity brings about peace at the end of the Odyssey?

Answer: **ATHENA**

B1. Name the son of Odysseus.

Answer: **TELEMACHUS**

B2. All of Odysseus' men were killed in a storm after eating some of the cattle belonging to Helios. On what island were these cattle located?

Answer: **SICILY**

