

**HARVARD CERTAMEN 2017
NOVICE DIVISION
ROUND I**

1. “**Ubi tu Gaius, ego Gaia**” were the words spoken at what kind of Roman ceremony?
WEDDING

B1: What type of marriage ritual was conducted between patricians?
CONFARREATIO

B2: What type of marriage ritual among plebeians depicted a fictitious sale of the bride?
COEMPTIO

2. Artemis repaid Oeneus for his forgetfulness by sending what gigantic boar to ravage his land?
CALYDONIAN BOAR

B1: What hero fell in love with Atalanta during the hunt? MELEAGER

B2: What father of Achilles accidentally killed his buddy Eurypyton in the chaos? PELEUS

3. Give the Latin root and its meaning from which the word “journal” is derived.
DIES - DAY

B1: Give the four principal parts of the Latin verb form which we derive “circuit.”
EO, IRE, IVI/II, ITUS

B2: Give the Latin verb, and its principal parts, from which we derive “volition.”
VOLO, VELLE, VOLUI

4. Translate the following sentence into Latin: **Felix femina mecum ambulabat.**
A HAPPY WOMAN WAS WALKING WITH ME

B1: What use of the ablative is being used in the previous sentence?
ABLATIVE OF ACCOMPANIMENT

B2: Make the previous sentence plural.
FELICES FEMINAE NOBISCUM AMBULABANT

5. According to the ancient historian Tacitus, what Julio-Claudian Emperor was blamed for the Great Fire of Rome in 64 AD? NERO

B1: Nero also orchestrated the assassination of which one of his family members by building a rickety ship? Give the individual’s name and her relationship with the emperor for full credit.
(prompt on- HIS MOTHER) AGRIPPINA THE YOUNGER

B2: Nero’s reign came to an end in 69 AD, a year that is also referred to by what name?
THE YEAR OF FOUR EMPERORS

6. Give the genitive singular of the phrase **tota urbs**.

TOTIUS URBIS

B1: Give the dative singular of the phrase **tota urbs**.

TOTI URBI

B2: Give another adjective that declines the same way **totus** does in the singular.

ALIUS, NULLUS, SOLUS, ULLUS, UNUS, ALTER, NEUTER, UTER

7. **Responde Anglice: Quis erat rex deorum?**

ZEUS/JUPITER

B1: **Responde Anglice: Quis erat nuntius deorum?**

HERMES/MERCURY

B2: **Responde Anglice: Quis erat regina caeli et uxor Iovis?**

HERA/JUNO

8. What resourceful character in Homer's *Odyssey* interprets a dream in which an eagle kills her flock of twenty geese as a sign that her husband Odysseus will return?

PENELOPE

B1: Who, the husband of Clytemnestra, encounters the dead suitors in the Underworld?

AGAMEMNON

B2: How were Clytemnestra and Penelope related?

THEY WERE COUSINS

9. What modern cinematic classic might the Romans have called *Mirabiles quattuor*?

FANTASTIC FOUR

B1: What book might the ancient Romans have called *O Loca Tu Ibis*?

OH THE PLACES YOU WILL GO!

B2: What popular Taylor Swift song might the Romans have called *Malus Sanguis*?

BAD BLOOD

10. The power of the Roman dictator Sulla was challenged especially by which arch-rival?

MARIUS

B1: Sulla prosecuted which war against Rome's allies in 91BC?

THE SOCIAL WAR

B2: Which city, later the site of a famous natural disaster in 79AD, did Sulla successfully capture in this war, transforming it into a formal Roman colony?

POMPEII

11. **Quid Anglice significat: sordidus?**

DIRTY, UNCLEAN, FILTHY, FOUL

B1: **Quid Anglice significat: sonorus?**

LOUD, NOISY, RESOUNDING

B2: **Quid Anglice significat: sollicitus?**

WORRIED, ANXIOUS, UNEASY

12. Insatiably eager for revenge, who killed dozens of Trojans and even fought the river Scamander when the river-god, finding his waters choked with his victims, rose against him?

ACHILLES

B1: Achilles would have been drowned had what deity not scorched the river?

HEPHAESTUS

B2: What deity later aided Achilles in his battle against Hector?

ATHENA

13. To become the best Latin students you can be, I hope you all carry a copy of Allen and Greenough's New Latin Grammar with you at all times. (I know I do!). What Latin phrase can be used to describe an object that one always carries with them?

VADE MECUM

B1: The aspiring Certamen champion also cannot be caught without a copy of Wheelock's Latin. What Latin phrase describes something that is indispensable or a necessity?

SINE QUA NON

B2: I'm sure as well that none of you are sick of your teachers telling you to study more. What Latin phrase means "to the point of disgust"?

AD NAUSEAM

14. Translate the relative pronoun in the following English sentence: The weapons, which had never been used, proved to be deadly in combat.

QUAE

B1: Blood covered the sword, which the gladiator had used to kill the beast.

QUO

B2: The wives and children, whom they spared, were sold into slavery.

QUIBUS

15. Which codification of laws was first proposed by the tribune Terentilius Harsa in 462 BC, only to be eventually written by the decemviri in 450 and 449BC?

THE TWELVE TABLES

B1: The laws were drafted by the new magistrates after the last king of Rome was exiled. Who was this king?

TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS

B2: Which Decemvir spearheaded the Twelve Tables' drafting?

APPIUS CLAUDIUS CRASSUS

16. Who, the son of the Thracian king Oeagrus and the Muse Calliope, became so adept at music that his playing and singing charmed wild animals and caused stones and trees to follow him when he wished?

ORPHEUS

B1: How did Orpheus' wife Eurydice die?

OF A SNAKE BITE

B2: Who fittingly gathered the scattered pieces of Orpheus' body?

THE MUSES

17. As Certamen players, you are undoubtedly the smartest kids in your schools, and when you go to college, you will inevitably all graduate *magna cum laude*. What use of the ablative is *magna cum laude*?

ABLATIVE OF MANNER

B1: What use of the ablative is found in the following sentence: **Publius altior Marco erat.**

ABLATIVE OF COMPARISON

B2: What use of the ablative is found in the following sentence: **Tandem, homines dormiverunt labore perfecto.**

ABLATIVE ABSOLUTE

18. **Responde Latine: Quot sunt viginti minus duo?**

DUODEVIGINTI

B1: **Responde Latine: Quot sunt viginti multiplicatum per quinque?**

CENTUM

B2: **Responde Latine: Quot sunt octo plus quattuor?**

DUODECIM

19. Against the invasion of what Etruscan king did Horatius Cocles defend the Pons Sublicius?

LARS PORSENNA

B1: Who earned his cognomen, which means "left-handed," after he burned his own right hand in a fire to prove to Lars Porsenna the resilience and strength of Rome?

MUCIUS SCAEVOLA

B2: What city was Lars Porsenna the king of?

CLUSIUM

20. Exposed on Mt. Cithaeron, what infant was adopted by Polybus and Merope, the rulers of Corinth?

OEDIPUS

B1: Who was the real father of Oedipus, whom he unknowingly killed?

LAIUS

B2: What does the name Oedipus mean?

SWOLLEN-FOOTED

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ROUND II

1. What Roman commander defeated Vercingetorix at the siege of Alesia in 52BC, thereby ending the Gallic Wars?

(GAIUS IULIUS) CAESAR

B1: Caesar, Crassus, and Pompey formed what political alliance in 60 BC?

THE FIRST TRIUMVIRATE

B2: The marriage of what two individuals cemented the political alliance between Caesar and Pompey?

JULIA (prompt on daughter of Caesar) and POMPEY

2. Translate the following sentence: **Agricola in agro cum uxore sedit.**

THE FARMER WAS SITTING IN THE FIELD WITH HIS WIFE.

Bonus 2: What is peculiar about the noun **agricola**?

MASCULINE NOUN OF THE FIRST DECLENSION

Bonus 2: Give another noun that shares the same peculiarities as **agricola**.

NAUTA, POETA, SCRIBA, PIRATA

3. At the bidding of the seer Polyeidus, who spent the night on Athena's altar and was rewarded with a dream in which the goddess offered him a magical golden bridle?

BELLEROPHON

B1: At what spring did Bellerophon find the steed Pegasus?

PEIRENE

B2: How did Bellerophon kill the Chimaera while riding Pegasus?

HE SHOT AT IT WITH HIS ARROWS

4. Give the four principal parts and its English meaning of the Latin verb at the root of the English word *agenda*.

AGO, AGERE, EGI, ACTUS - TO DO, DRIVE, ACT, PERFORM, ETC.

B1: Give the four principal parts and the English meaning of the Latin verb at the root of *statue*.

STO, STARE, STETI, STATUS - TO STAND

B2: Say in Latin: The man and woman stood in the forum.

VIR ET FEMINA IN FORO STETERUNT

5. What nymph served as both a consort and counselor to Numa Pompilius?

EGERIA

B1: Numa Pompilius founded what temple that was open in wartime and closed in peacetime?

TEMPLE OF JANUS

B2: What two months did Numa Pompilius add to the calendar?

JANUARY, FEBRUARY

6. Which of the following words does not belong: **de, coram, prae, ob, sine**?

OB

Bonus 1: What case is used with **ob**?

ACCUSATIVE

Bonus 2: What case is used with the other prepositions in the toss-up?

ABLATIVE

7. Who was cut up by his father and served to the gods in a stew as a test of their omniscience?

PELOPS

B1: All the deities, except for what goddess, saw through this trick at once?

DEMETER

B2: What beautiful daughter of Oenomaus did Pelops marry?

HIPPODAMEIA

8. Differentiate between the Latin words: **equus, eques, equitatus**.

HORSE, HORSEMAN, CAVALRY

B1: Differentiate between the Latin words: **acer, acriter, and acies**.

SHARP, SHARPLY, SHARP EDGE/BATTLE LINE

B2: Differentiate between the Latin words: **possum, potens, potestas**.

TO BE ABLE TO, POWERFUL, POWER

9. Imagine that you are a Roman citizen at the baths. As you enter the baths, you first enter the dressing room. What is the Roman name for this room?

APODYTERIUM

B1: After placing your clothes in the dressing room, you decide to go to the **caldarium**.

However, on the way to the **caldarium**, you see people in the **unctorium** holding tools that are scraping the oil off their bodies. What is the name of this type of tool?

STRIGILIS

B2: Finally, you arrive in the caldarium. As you sit in the caldarium enjoying the heat, you hear a big BOOM and feel the heat start to dissipate. Eventually, an employee comes in and tells you that their heating system has broken. What is the name of the heating system?

HYPOCAUST

10. Give the Latin and the English for the abbreviation **S.P.Q.R.**?

SENATUS POPULUSQUE ROMANUS - THE SENATE AND PEOPLE OF ROME

Bonus 1: What type of word is **-que**?

ENCLITIC

Bonus 2: Using an enclitic, say in Latin: “Did you fear the general?”

TUNE TIMUISTI DUCEM? / TIMUISTINE DUCEM?

11. According to Hesiod, a bronze anvil dropped from earth would take nine days to reach what dark prison of the Titans? **TARTARUS**

B1: What sons of Uranus and Ge guarded Tartarus?

HEKATONKHEIRES/HUNDRED-HANDED ONES

B2: Which god was threatened with banishment to Tartarus for his killing of the Cyclopes?

APOLLO

12. Differentiate in meaning among **mens, mensa, and mensis**.

MIND, TABLE, MONTH

B1: Differentiate in meaning between **flumen** and **fulmen**.

RIVER AND LIGHTING/THUNDERBOLT

B2: Differentiate in meaning between **lapis** and **lepus**.

STONE AND RABBIT/HARE

13. What literary work, divided into 12 books, was written by the philosopher-king Marcus Aurelius?

MEDITATIONS

B1: What co-ruler of Marcus Aurelius died in 169AD?

LUCIUS VERUS

B2: What emperor’s rule directly preceded to Marcus Aurelius?

ANTONINUS PIUS

14. Give the comparative and superlative forms of the Latin adverb **alte**.

ALTIUS, ALTISSIME

B1: Give the comparative and superlative forms of the Latin adverb **bene**.

MELIUS, OPTIME

B2: Give the comparative and superlative forms of the Latin adverb **magnopere**.

MAGIS, MAXIME

15. What horse, later owned by Heracles and Adrastus, was born from the union of Poseidon and Demeter and could run as fast as the wind? **ARION**

B1: Whom was Demeter seeking when she had Arion by Poseidon?

PERSEPHONE

B2: Another Arion, a famous poet, was saved when what god sent dolphins to help him escape pirates?

APOLLO

16. What Latin phrase, supposedly a favorite of Augustus, means “to hasten slowly”?

FESTINA LENTE

B1: What Latin phrase is used to describe an unwelcome person?

PERSONA NON GRATA

B2: What Latin phrase means “in good faith”?

BONA FIDE

17. Who instituted the Tetrarchy in 293 AD, a way of governing the Roman empire split among 4 people?

DIOCLETIAN

B1: What were the titles given to the rulers of the tetrarchy?

AUGUSTUS / CAESAR

B2: What was unique about the Baths of Diocletian?

BIGGEST BATHS IN ROME

18. Translate the word “law” into Latin in the following English sentence: The scribe used a stylus to write down the laws.

IURA

B1: Translate the word **stylus** in that sentence.

STILO

B2: What use of the ablative is **stilo**?

ABLATIVE OF MEANS

19. Either Amphitrite or Circe is said to have punished what young maiden because either Glaucus or Poseidon’s love of her?

SCYLLA

B1: What two sea deities are sometimes said to have been the parents of Scylla?

CETO AND PHORCYD

B2: In the straits of Messina, across from Scylla was the horrible monster Charybdis, who along with Scylla caused great trouble for sailors. Jason and the Argonauts, however, were able to escape the dangers of both monsters and instead venture through the Symplegades because of the watchful advice of what sea goddess?

THETIS

20. For the verb **fero**, give the third person singular, pluperfect active indicative.

TULERAT

B1: Make **tulerat** plural.

TULERANT

B2: Keeping mood, number, and person the same, make **tulerant** imperfect.

FERREBANT

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ROUND III**

1. **Dexter** is to **sinister** as **amicus** is to _____.

INIMICUS (ALSO ACCEPT ADVERSARIUS, HOSTIS)

B1: **Dies** is to **sol** as **nox** is to _____.

LUNA

B2: **Puer** is to **frater** as **puella** is to _____.

SOROR

2. Which Flavian emperor raged a famous war against the Empire's Jewish subjects?

TITUS

B1: This conflict came to a head at which desert fortress, where the besieged inhabitants committed suicide rather than be captured?

MASADA

B2: Who led a later Jewish revolt against Emperor Hadrian's forces in 132-136 AD?

SIMON BAR KOCHBA

3. Complete the following analogy: **Marcus : Marce :: filius : _____.**

FILI

B1: What case is **Marce**?

VOCATIVE CASE

B2: When is the vocative case used?

DIRECT ADDRESS

4. Translate the motto of the state of Massachusetts: **Ense petit placidam sub libertate quietem**, into English.

WITH THE SWORD SHE SEEKS CALM PEACE UNDER LIBERTY

B1: Translate the motto of the state of Kansas: **Ad astra per aspera**, into English.

TO THE STARS THROUGH DIFFICULTIES

B2: Translate the former motto of the state Maryland: **Scuto bonae voluntatis Tuae coronasti nos**, into English.

WITH THE SHIELD OF THY GOOD-WILL THOU HAST COVERED US

5. What hero washed up with his mother on the island of Seriphus, where they were discovered by the kindly fisherman Dictys?

PERSEUS

B1: What brother of Dictys ordered Perseus to bring back the head of Medusa?

POLYDECTES

B2: What mother of Perseus did Polydectes attempt to marry?

DANAE

6. Translate the following sentence: Tomorrow I will go to Rome.

CRAS ROMAM IBO

B1: Translate the following sentence: **Tres annos Athenis manserunt.**

THEY REMAINED IN ATHENS FOR THREE YEARS

B2: Translate the following sentence into Latin: I want to live in the countryside.

RURI HABITARE VOLO

7. The Gracchi brothers were assassinated for their attempt to do what with Roman land held by the elites?

REDISTRIBUTE IT TO THE PLEBS

B1: Which conservative faction of the Roman Senate orchestrated their murder?

THE OPTIMATES

B2: Tiberius Gracchus served in which Punic War as a military tribute for the famous Scipio Aemilianus?

THIRD

8. Which of the following, if any, are not derived from the same Latin root as the others: ability, exalt, prohibit, disable?

EXALT

B1: From what Latin adjective, with what meaning, do we derive exalt?

ALTUS

B2: Give the four principal parts of the verb from which we derive “ability, prohibit, and disable?”

HABEO, HABERE, HABUI, HABITUS

9. Broken with grief, who flung himself from the Acropolis near the shrine of Athena Nike, or else into the sea, which would be named after him?

AEGEUS

B1: Aegeus had instructed Theseus to perform what action if he were successful in defeating the Minotaur?

HEPHAESTUS

B2: According to some accounts, Theseus was not Aegeus’ son, but the son of what god?

POSEIDON

10. **Ea : eius :: ipse : ____.**

IPSIUS

B1: **Ipse : ipsum :: eadem : ____.**

EANDEM

B2: **Aliquid : alicui :: quisquis : ____.**

CUICUI

11. When recognized by the spotter perform the following Latin command: **Surge et anglice clama “Optimus discipulus sum.”**

STUDENT SHOULD STAND UP AND SHOUT “I AM THE BEST STUDENT”

B1: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following Latin command: **Surge et tange capita amicorum.**

THE STUDENT SHOULD STAND UP AND TOUCH THE HEADS
(MORE THAN 1) OF THEIR TEAMMATES

B2: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following commands: **Surgite et magna cum voce clamate anglice: “Hodie vincemus!”**

MORE THAN ONE STUDENT SHOULD STAND UP AND SHOUT “WE WILL WIN
TODAY/TODAY WE WILL WIN!”

12. A famine in Orchomenus could only be avoided by the sacrifice of what boy, who miraculously escaped on a golden ram?

PHRIXUS

B1: To what land did the ram bring Phrixus?

COLCHIS

B2: What body of water received its name from the death of Phrixus’ sister?

HELLESPONT

13. What king of Rome introduced a series of reforms, including establishing the census, creating official coinage, and extending voting rights to previously-unable-to-vote groups?

SERVIUS TULLIUS

B1 & B2: Servius Tullius was one of three Etruscan Kings of Rome. For two points each, name the other two.

TARQUINIUS PRISCUS / TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS

14. As you are walking down the street in Rome, you notice a triumphal procession going past you. At the center of this procession is the victorious general, wearing an entirely crimson toga embroidered with gold. What is the name for this kind of toga?

TOGA PICTA

B1: Behind the triumphant general are the praetors and quaestors. What kind of toga is normally worn by these people?

TOGA PRAETEXTA

B2: Before the praetors and quaestors were elected, they had to run for office. What is the name of the chalk-whitened toga which they wore while running for office?

TOGA CANDIDA (or TOGA SPLENDENS)

15. What goddess of childbirth was the daughter of Zeus and Hera?

EILEITHYIA

B1: When Hera tried to prevent Eileithyia from attending upon Leto, how did the other deities convince Eileithyia to come and attend upon Leto?

THEY BRIBED HER

B2: Under the order of Hera, Eileithyia delayed the birth of Heracles, causing what child to be born first?

EURYSTHEUS

16. For the verb **moneo**, give the second person plural, future, active, indicative.

MONEBITIS

B1: Change **monebitis** to the passive.

MONEBIMINI

B2: Change **monebimini** to the pluperfect.

MONITI ERATIS

17. Give a synonym for the Latin word **nunc**.

IAM

B1: Give an antonym for the Latin word **numquam**.

SEMPER

B2: The Marines are said to be **semper fidelis**. What does this mean?

ALWAYS FAITHFUL

18. Spurned by her former lover Helios, what woman tattled on him and slowly wasted away until she was transformed into a heliotrope?

CLYTIE

B1: What son of Helios took control of his horses and crashed them into the earth?

PHAETHON

B2: What king of Elis, sometimes called a son of Helios, was Heracles' opposition in his fifth labor?

AUGEIAS

19. At what battle of 216 BC did Hannibal rout a Roman force of 86,000 Roman troops?

CANNAE

B1: Who had led the Roman forces at Cannae?

PAULLUS, VARRO

B2: Out of Paullus and Varro, if any, who died at Cannae?

PAULLUS

20. Give the Latin words, and their English meaning, from which we get the English word *prudent*.

PRO - FOR, ON BEHALF, BEFORE, IN FRONT OF; **VIDEO** - TO SEE

B1: Give the Latin words, and their English meaning, from which we get the English word *dejected*.

DE - FROM, AWAY FROM, DOWN FROM, OF; **IACIO** - TO THROW

B2: Give the Latin word, and its English meaning, at the root of the word *soccer*.

SOCIUS - FRIEND, ALLY

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SEMI-FINALS**

1. Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **M.O.**

MODUS OPERANDI – METHOD OF OPERATING

B1: Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **M.A.**

MAGISTER ARTIUM – MASTER OF ARTS

B2: Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **p.m.a.**

POST MORTEM AUCTORIS – AFTER THE AUTHOR’S DEATH

2. Who in mythology was known for her beautiful ankles and for giving birth to Apollo and Artemis? LETO

B1: According to Homer, what Theban also had beautiful ankles? INO/LEUCOTHEA

B2: Which Phaeacian does Homer describe as having pale wrists? NAUSICAA

3. After seeing a vision of a glowing cross of light with the words **in hoc signo vinces** engraved upon it, who went on to defeat his enemy Maxentius in 312AD?

CONSTANTINE I / THE GREAT

B1: Where did this battle occur?

MILVIAN BRIDGE

B2: Who was the father of Constantine The Great who had previously been a Caesar in the West under Maximian?

CONSTANTIUS CHLORUS

4. Translate the following sentence into English: **In proelio multi milites fortes atrociter vulnerabantur.**

IN THE BATTLE, MANY BRAVE SOLDIERS WERE BEING WOUNDED HARSHLY.

B1: Translate the following sentence into English: **Tres e milites ad castra celeriter currere constituerunt.**

THREE OF THE SOLDIERS DECIDED TO RUN QUICKLY TO CAMP.

B2: Translate the following sentence into English: **In castris imperatorem cito recedere oraverunt.**

IN CAMP, THEY BEGGED THE GENERAL TO RETREAT QUICKLY.

5. **Responde Latine: Quot sunt duodecim et septem?**

UNDEVIGINTI

B1: **Responde Latine: Quot sunt quater novem?**

SEX ET TRIGINTA

B2: Complete the following analogy: **unus : primus :: octo : _____**.

OCTAVUS

6. Who encourages his men with the famous phrase, **forsan et haec olim meminisse iuvabit** after Neptune's storm forces them to land in Libya instead of Italy?

AENEAS

B1: How many deer did Aeneas kill right before this speech?

SEVEN

B2: What loyal friend of Aeneas accompanied him on this hunting trip?

ACHATES

7. For the verb **parco** give the 1st person plural, imperfect, active, indicative.

PARCEBAMUS

B1: Change **parcebamus** to the pluperfect.

PEPERCERAMUS

B2: Change **peperceramus** to the present.

PARCIMUS

8. In what year did the plebeians secede to the Mons Sacer, only to be eventually convinced by Menenius Agrippa to return?

494 BC

B1: How was Menenius Agrippa able to convince the plebeians to return?

PARABLE OF THE BELLY AND THE LIMBS

B2: Because of this secession, what office was created to protect the interests of the plebeians?

TRIBUNES

9. Which of the following English words, if any, does not belong due to derivation: equivocal, voice, provoke, invoice, avowal?

INVOICE

B1: From what Latin word with what meaning does "invoice" derive?

VIA – ROAD/WAY/STREET

B2: From what Latin word with what meaning do the other words derive?

VOX – VOICE

10. **Quid Anglice significat: misericordia?**

PITY/MERCY/SYMPATHY/COMPASSION

B1: **Quid Anglice significat: munus?**

DUTY/SERVICE/GIFT/OFFERING

B2: **Quid Anglice significat: macula?**

SPOT/STAIN/BLEMISH/DISHONOR

11. Whose future rise to the Roman throne was predicted when an eagle took his cap and returned it shortly after?

TARQUINIUS PRISCUS

B1: What Greek city did Tarquinius Priscus originally hail from?

CORINTH

B2: Tarquinius Priscus was eventually killed by assassins. Who hired these assassins?

SONS OF ANCUS MARCIUS

12. Tisiphone, Megara, and Alecto were members of what group of goddesses?

FURIES

B1&2: For five points each, give two alternative names for this group.

ERINYES, EUMENIDES, SEMNAI, THEAI, DIRAE

13. Complete the following analogy: **video : videbo :: curro : _____.**

CURRAM

B1: Complete the following analogy: **videbo : vidimus :: malo : _____.**

MALUIMUS

B2: Complete the following analogy: **vidimus : visi eris :: maluimus : _____.**

DOES NOT EXIST

14. Who bought the Roman throne at auction in 193AD after he outbid his rival Sulpicianus?

DIDIUS JULIANUS

B1: How much did Didius Julianus offer each member of the Praetorian Guard in this bid?

25,000 SESTERCES

B2: What emperor born in Leptis Magna eventually succeeded Didius Julianus later that same year?

SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS

15. What stepfather of Heracles taught him charioteering?

AMPHITRYON

B1: Who was his unfortunate tutor in music?

LINUS

B2: Who tutored Heracles in fencing?

CASTOR

16. Distinguish in meaning between **salio** and **soleo**.

SALIO – JUMP vs. **SOLEO** – BECOME ACCUSTOMED TO

B1: Distinguish in meaning between **cuo** and **curro**.

CUO – TAKE CARE OF vs. **CURRO** – RUN

B2: Distinguish in meaning between **lego, legare** and **lego, legere**.

LEGARE – APPOINT/ENTRUST vs. **LEGERE** – READ/CHOOSE

17. What praenomen was abbreviated **K.**?

KAESO

B1: What praenomen was abbreviated **A.**?

AULUS

B2: What special meaning did the name **Manius** have?

BORN IN THE MORNING

18. Identify the case and use of the relative pronoun in the following sentence: **Heri virum calvum, cui duo liberi est, in Foro orationem dantem vidi.**

DATIVE, POSSESSION

B1: Identify the case and use of **oratio** in the previous sentence.

ACCUSATIVE, DIRECT OBJECT

B2: What verb form is **dantem**?

PRESENT PARTICIPLE

19. Achilles? More like, A-kill-es. What son of Aurora and Tithonus led the Ethiopians in the Trojan War until he was killed by Achilles?

MEMNON

B1: Thersites ridicules Achilles for killing what female warrior?

PENTHESILEIA

B2: Before the Trojan War, what father of Andromache did Achilles kill, along with her seven brothers?

EETION

20. When recognized by the spotter, perform the following Latin command: **Fac sonum apīs.**

STUDENT SHOULD MAKE A BUZZING SOUND.

B1: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following Latin command: **Tres e vobis, facite sonos anatum.**

THREE (AND ONLY THREE) STUDENTS SHOULD MAKE A QUACKING SOUND.

B2: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following Latin command: **Duo e vobis, facite sonos ranarum.**

TWO (AND ONLY TWO) STUDENTS SHOULD MAKE A RIBBITING SOUND.

**HARVARD CERTAMEN 2017
NOVICE DIVISION
FINALS**

1. Who, called Scamandrius by his father, was flung to his death from the city walls because Odysseus warned the Greeks not to allow any descendant of Priam to survive?

ASTYANAX

B1: To whom was Andromache, Astyanax' mother, given to after the Trojan War?

NEOPTOLEMUS

B2: Who had Neoptolemus killed at the altar of Zeus of the Courtyard?

PRIAM

2. Which Julio-Claudian emperor was cheated on by his spouse, Valeria Messalina, leading to her execution, who became publicly engaged to another man while the two were still married?

CLAUDIUS

B1: Clodia Pulchra, Scribonia and Livia were all wives to what famous emperor of Rome?

AUGUSTUS

B2: To whom was Messalina engaged?

GAIUS SILIUS

3. Translate the motto of Tulane University, **Non sibi, sed suis**, into English.

NOT FOR HERSELF, BUT FOR HER OWN

B1: Translate the motto of Dartmouth College, **Vox clamantis in deserto**, into English.

A VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS

B2: Translate the motto of Hampshire College, **Non satis scire**, into English.

TO KNOW IS NOT ENOUGH

4. Distinguish in meaning between **odium** and **oleum**.

ODIUM – HATE vs. **OLEUM** – OIL

B1: Distinguish in meaning between **ara** and **ira**.

ARA – ALTAR vs. **IRA** – ANGER

B2: Distinguish in meaning between **umbra** and **unda**.

UMBRA – SHADOW vs. **UNDA** – WAVE

5. What son of Poetas lit the funeral pyre of Heracles, receiving the bows and arrows of Heracles, which he brought to Troy, as a reward?

PHILOCTETES

B1: By what animal was Philoctetes bitten, leading to his foul stench and eventual abandonment?

SNAKE

B2: On what island was Philoctetes abandoned?

LEMNOS

6. Which of the following English words, if any, does not belong due to derivation: rest, cost, contrast, coexist, solstice?

ALL BELONG/ALL DERIVED FROM THE SAME ROOT

B1: From what Latin word with what meaning do all the words derive?

STO – TO STAND

B2: What derivative of **stō, stare** means “utter poverty” or “the lack of the means of subsistence”?

DESTITUTION

7. Differentiate in meaning among **malum persicum, malum armeniacum, and malum punicum.**

PERSICUM = PEACH; ARMENIACUM = APRICOT; PUNICUM = POMEGRANATE

B1: Differentiate in meaning between **mulsum and **mulsa.****

MULSUM = WINE AND HONEY; MULSA = WATER AND HONEY

B2: Differentiate between **panis siligineus and **panis rusticus.****

SILIGINEUS = Bread from pure wheat flour (best kind),

RUSTICUS = Bread made from coarse flour

8. Translate the following sentence into Latin: Caesar gave love to the citizens of Rome.

CAESAR CIVIBUS ROMAE AMOREM DEDIT.

B1: What is the case and use of **civibus** in that sentence?

DATIVE, INDIRECT OBJECT

B2: Translate into Latin: Caesar also wanted to give bread and circuses to the people of the Republic.

**CAESAR QUOQUE POPULIS REPUBLICAE
PANEM ET CIRCENSES DARE VOLUIT.**

9. Aphrodite’s fears were realized when what handsome youth was killed by a boar, turning into a blood-red anemone?

ADONIS

B1: According to other versions of the myth, with what goddess did Aphrodite share Adonis for part of the year?

PERSEPHONE

B2: By what animal was Adonis killed?

BOAR

10. **Quid Anglice significat praebeo?**

TO PRESENT/OFFER/SUPPLY/PROVIDE

B1: **Quid Anglice significat propero?**

TO HURRY

B2: **Quid Anglice significat pulso?**

TO BEAT/PULSATE

11. Which of the following adjective forms cannot agree with the noun form **genu: parvo, albi, magno, levi?**

ALBI

B1: What form of the Latin noun **genu** would agree with **albi?**

GENUS

B2: What is the plural of the phrase **genus albi**?

GENUUM ALBORUM

12. Pulvillus, Tricipitinus, Poplicola, Collatinus, and Brutus were all Roman consuls in what year, directly following the death of Tarquinius Superbus?

509 BC

B1: Why did Publius Valerius Poplicola receive his agnomen Poplicola?

HE WAS A FRIEND OF THE PEOPLE

B2: Out of these consuls of 509BC, please list which ones were NOT **consules suffecti**.

COLLATINUS, BRUTUS

13. You and your JCL friends decide to go to the *Cinema Romana* to watch a Disney movie. One of your friends says that she really wants to see **Inveniens Doriam**. What movie is this?

FINDING DORY

B1: This same friend changes her mind because she sees a poster advertising **Congelata**. What movie is this?

FROZEN

B2: This same friend suddenly says that for the past few days, a song named **Quam Longe Ibo** has been stuck in her head but has forgotten the name of the movie in which it features. What movie is this?

MOANA

14. The evil king Pelias was so power-hungry that he locked what man, Jason's father, in a dungeon?

AESON

B1: Aeson, before being locked up by Pelias, shrewdly sent his son Jason to whom?

CHIRON

B2: After Aeson committed suicide by drinking bull's blood, who used her sorcery to revive him?

MEDEA

15. Translate the following sentence into English: **Discipuli in schola discere non malunt.**

STUDENTS DO NOT PREFER TO LEARN IN SCHOOL.

B1: Translate the following sentence into English: **Pueri puellaeque magistrum reliquerunt quod ad Forum ire voluerunt.**

THE BOYS AND GIRLS ABANDONED THE TEACHER BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO GO TO THE FORUM.

B2: Translate the following sentence into English: **In Foro, hi liberi multum cibum vestasque pulchras emerunt.**

IN THE FORUM, THESE CHILDREN BOUGHT MUCH FOOD AND BEAUTIFUL CLOTHES.

16. Where did the Samnite chieftain Pontius defeat a force of Romans led by Titus Veturius and Spurius Albinus under a mountain pass in 321 BC, forcing them to pass under the yoke?

CAUDINE FORKS

B1: What were the dates of the 2nd Samnite War?

326 BC – 304 BC

B2: What group of people, after being attacked by the Samnites in 343 BC, asked Rome for help and ultimately drew Rome into the first Samnite War?

CAMPANIANS

17. What twin brothers, grandsons of Erechtheus by their mother Oreithyia, were said to have either purple wings or purple hair because purple is the color of storm clouds?

ZETES and CALAÏS

B1: When Zetes and Calais chased the Harpies all the way to the Strophades Islands, what messenger deity persuaded them to stop, promising that the Harpies would no longer harm Phineus?

IRIS

B2: Who was the wife of Phineus, the sister of the Zetes and Calais?

CLEOPATRA

18. For the phrase **bona filia**, give the dative plural.

BONIS FILIABUS

B1: For the phrase **celeris dea**, give the ablative plural.

CELERIBUS DEABUS

B2: For the phrase **magna puella**, give the dative plural.

MAGNIS PUELLIS

19. What Roman admiral led the Romans to their first naval victory in 260BC over the Carthaginians at the battle of Mylae?

(GAIUS) DUILIUS

B1: What was the name of the grappling-irons used by the Romans to board Carthaginian ships at this battle?

CORVI/CORVUS

B2: What was erected in the Roman Forum to celebrate this victory?

COLUMN

20. When recognized by the spotter, perform the following Latin commands: **Surge et pone ambas manus in genu sinistro.**

STUDENT SHOULD STAND AND PLACE BOTH HANDS ON LEFT KNEE

B1: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following Latin commands: **Surgite, duo discipuli, et salite ter.**

TWO (AND ONLY TWO) STUDENTS SHOULD STAND AND JUMP THRICE.

B2: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following Latin commands: **Surgite et tangentes frontes, cantate “Mica, Mica, Parva Stella.”**

STUDENTS SHOULD STAND AND WHILE TOUCHING THEIR FOREHEADS, SING
“TWINKLE, TWINKLE, LITTLE STAR”