

FJCL REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2011
LATIN LITERATURE

1. In which comedy does a slave lie about a house being haunted?
a. Epidicus b. Captivi c. Pseudolus d. Mostellaria
2. Which author was referred to by Martial as “the supreme guide of wayward youth”?
a. Quintilian b. Lucan c. Petronius d. Cato
3. Who delivered four speeches concerning the Catilinarian conspiracy?
a. Cato Uticensis b. Cicero c. Sallust d. Hortensius
4. Which of Ovid’s works was written while he was in exile?
a. Amores b. Metamorphoses c. Fasti d. Tristia
5. Which of the following was NOT written by Tacitus?
a. Agricola b. Germania c. Historia d. Punica
6. Who wrote a poem commemorating the opening of the Colosseum?
a. Horace b. Ovid c. Martial d. Juvenal
7. The De Rerum Natura is an example of _____ poetry.
a. didactic b. lyric c. pastoral d. epic
8. Which poet is correctly matched to the woman who dominated his poetry?
a. Catullus - Cynthia b. Tibullus - Delia
c. Ovid – Lesbia d. Propertius - Corinna
9. Which poet was NOT in the literary circle of Maecenas?
a. Propertius b. Tibullus c. Horace d. Vergil
10. The first “life” of Suetonius’ De Vita Caesarum is
a. Julius Caesar b. Augustus c. Tiberius d. Claudius
11. Which author is known for his eyewitness account of the eruption of Vesuvius in A.D.79?
a. Tacitus b. Pliny the Elder c. Pliny the Younger d. Suetonius
12. Which work contains the story of Cupid and Psyche?
a. Metamorphoses b. Noctes Atticae c. Ars Amatoria d. Florida
13. Which poet wrote an elegy about visiting his brother’s grave?
a. Catullus b. Horace c. Propertius d. Tibullus
14. Octavia, the only surviving example of a *fabula praetexta*, is attributed to
a. Naevius b. Fabius Pictor c. Seneca d. Lucan

15. How many books comprise the Annales of Ennius?
a. 12 b. 18 c. 37 d. 142
16. Which of these wrote during the Silver Age of Latin Literature?
a. Cornelius Nepos b. Juvenal c. Pacuvius d. Sallust
17. Which of these does NOT belong?
a. Andria b. Hecyra c. Poenulus d. Eunuchus
18. De Natura Deorum, which explains the tenets of the three major schools of Greek philosophy, was written by
a. Cicero b. Lucretius c. Seneca the Younger d. Varro
19. How many books of the Commentarii de Bello Gallico did Caesar write?
a. 3 b. 4 c. 7 d. 8
20. Which of the following authors was NOT born in Spain?
a. Quintilian b. Seneca the Younger c. Martial d. Apuleius
21. Which historian wrote a monograph about the war against Numidia's King Jugurtha?
a. Caesar b. Sallust c. Livy d. Tacitus
22. To whom did Vitruvius dedicate his De Architectura?
a. Hadrian b. Asinius Pollio c. Pliny the Elder d. Augustus
23. De Grammaticis and De Rhetoribus are sections of the De Viris Illustribus of
a. Cornelius Nepos b. Cicero c. Quintilian d. Suetonius
24. Who wrote a collection of poems called the Silvae?
a. Statius b. Propertius c. Valerius Flaccus d. Persius
25. About which author did Lucan say, "That is real poetry, whereas what I have written is child's play"?
a. Persius b. Juvenal c. Statius d. Martial
26. In which book of the Aeneid does Aeneas make a journey to the Underworld?
a. 1 b. 5 c. 6 d. 10
27. According to Livy, who was the first author to introduce plot into Roman stage performances?
a. Livius Andronicus b. Naevius c. Plautus d. Terence

28. Which statement about Cato's Origines is NOT true?
a. It was the first prose work written in Latin. b. It describes the early history of Rome
c. A large portion of it is extant d. It was written for Cato's son.
29. Which author wrote about early atomic theory?
a. Vitruvius b. Cicero c. Seneca the Younger d. Lucretius
30. Who wrote an epic describing the Argonauts' quest for the golden fleece?
a. Livius Andronicus b. Lucan c. Statius d. Valerius Flaccus
31. In what meter was Ovid's Amores written?
a. elegiac couplets b. hendecasyllabic c. Sapphic d. dactylic hexameter
32. Who is the principal interlocutor of Cicero's De Senectute?
a. Scipio Aemilianus b. Cato the Elder c. Laelius d. Cicero himself
33. Who assembled for his sons two collections of model exercises on rhetorical themes?
a. Cato the Elder b. Seneca the Elder c. Cicero d. Quintilian
34. Whose work describes the escapades of three young men as they wander through the cities of southern Italy?
a. Horace b. Juvenal c. Petronius d. Apuleius
35. Cicero's secretary who developed his own system of shorthand:
a. Atticus b. Tiro c. Philologus d. Quintus
36. Which author is our main source for the events of the Pisonian conspiracy?
a. Sallust b. Seneca c. Tacitus d. Lucan
37. Who wrote an epic in 17 books on the Punic War that Pliny the Younger described as being written with "more diligence than inspiration"?
a. Naevius b. Ennius c. Silius Italicus d. Valerius Flaccus
38. Which of Catullus' poems is an epyllion on the marriage of Peleus and Thetis?
a. 5 b. 44 c. 64 d. 101
39. Who wrote a poem that celebrates the death of Cleopatra?
a. Horace b. Catullus c. Ovid d. Propertius
40. The major work of Macrobius:
a. Ars Grammatica b. De Civitate Dei c. Relatio d. Saturnalia

41. The Tibullan corpus contains 6 elegies addressed to Cerinthus now attributed to
a. Messala b. Propertius c. Plania d. Sulpicia
42. Which of Vergil's Eclogues are dialogues?
a. all of them b. none of them c. the odd numbered ones d. the even numbered ones
43. Seneca's Apocolocyntosis is a(n)
a. philosophical treatise b. Menippean satire c. epyllion d. epithalamium
44. What are *fabulae crepidatae*?
a. Roman comedies derived from Greek originals.
b. Dramas based on Roman historical subjects.
c. Comedies concerning life in Rome.
d. Roman tragedies based on Greek models
45. The Sortes Vergilianae are
a. a collection of commentaries on Vergil's works.
b. a method of fortune telling based on quotes from the Aeneid.
c. the friends of Vergil who published the Aeneid.
d. a group of poems believed to have been written by Vergil in his youth
46. Who wrote De Re Rustica, a three book treatise on farming?
a. Varro b. Cato the Younger c. Fabius Pictor d. Manilius
47. The Somnium Scipionis is a(n)
a. account of the defeat of Hannibal
b. treatise on the conditions of happiness
c. description of the rewards awaiting a Roman statesman
d. exposition of the Epicurean school of philosophy
48. Which historian claimed to write without anger or partiality?
a. Sallust b. Livy c. Suetonius d. Tacitus
49. What is the subject of Juvenal's third satire?
a. women b. the city of Rome c. men's desires d. friendship
50. Whose history of Rome begins with the death of Domitian in A.D. 96 and is a valuable source for the events of the 4th century?
a. Ammianus b. Donatus c. Symmachus d. Eutropius