

**REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2012
CERTAMEN LEVEL II
ROUND I**

- TU1. What river in the Underworld did the bravest souls drink from before they were reincarnated?
Answer: **LETHE**
B1: From what river did Psyche have to fetch water for Venus?
Answer: **STYX**
B2: What river besides the Styx was said to have encircled the Underworld?
Answer: **ACHERON**
- TU2. Differentiate in meaning between the Latin nouns *equus* and *eques*.
Answer: **EQUUS – HORSE, EQUES – CAVALRYMAN, KNIGHT**
B1: Differentiate in meaning between the Latin verb forms *ero* (with one “r”) and *erro* (with two “r’s”).
Answer: **ERO – I WILL BE, ERRO – I WANDER, ERR**
B2: Differentiate in meaning between *flamma* and *flumen*.
Answer: **FLAMMA – FLAME, FLUMEN – RIVER, STREAM**
- TU3. From what Latin word with what meaning do we derive the English word “villain”?
Answer: **VILLAIN—VILLA, COUNTRY HOME**
B1 and B2: From what two Latin words with what meanings do we derive “convince”?
Answer: **CUM—WITH; VINCO, VINCERE, VICI, VICTUM—TO OVERCOME**
- TU4. Which emperor literally bought the office of emperor from the Praetorians in an auction?
Answer: **DIDIUS IULIANUS**
B1. Didius Iulianus’ rule was cut short, since three rival claimants attempted to gain the office of emperor. Name two of these three rivals.
Answer: **SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS, CLODIUS ALBINUS, AND PESCENNIUS NIGER**
B2. Who were Septimius Severus’ two sons and successors?
Answer: **CARACALLA AND GETA**
- TU5. Translate the prepositional phrase in the following sentence into Latin: “Without your help, I would have been lost.”
Answer: **SINE (ABSQUE) TUŌ AUXILIŌ**
B1: Translate the prepositional phrase in this sentence into Latin: “The man walked and ran for twenty hours.”
Answer: **VIGINTI HORĀS**
B2: Now translate the prepositional phrase in this sentence into Latin: “I received a donkey for a great amount.”
Answer: **MAGNI**

TU6. What type of toga would be worn if a family member had just died?

Answer: **TOGA PULLA**

B1: What would men wearing a *toga pulla* be called?

Answer: **SORDIDATI**

B2: A *sordidatus* might hire a *libitinarius*. What was his job?

Answer: **UNDERTAKER**

TU7. What young man managed to beat Atalanta in a footrace to win her hand in marriage?

Answer: **HIPPOMENES/MELANION (do not read the extra answer)**

B1: By what other name was this man known?

Answer: **See above**

B2: Which of the Seven Against Thebes was the son of Atalanta and Hippomenes?

Answer: **PARTHENOPAEUS**

TU8. How do you say “easily” in Latin?

Answer: **FACILE**

B1: Change *facile* to the corresponding comparative.

Answer: **FACILIUS**

B2: Now, change *facilius* to the corresponding superlative.

Answer: **FACILLIME**

TU9. What medical abbreviation would be used to indicate that you would take a dose at bedtime?

Answer: **H.S.**

B1: What abbreviation is used when a medicine or dose is not repeated?

Answer: **NON REP.**

B2: How would a prescription tell you to take as much as is needed?

Answer: **Q.S. (QUANTUM SUFFICIAT)**

TU10. Which king of Rome, son of the Corinthian merchant Demaratus and an Etruscan woman, became aware he was destined for greatness at Rome when an eagle snatched a cap off his head and then returned it?

Answer: **TARQUINIUS PRISCUS**

B1. Though Romans referred to him as Lucius Tarquinius Priscus, what was alleged Etruscan praenomen?

Answer: **LUCUMO**

B2. What was the name of Tarquinius Priscus' wife?

Answer: **TANAQUIL**

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ROUND 2**

TU1. For the verb *terreo*, give the first person plural, imperfect, passive indicative.

Answer: **TERREBAMUR**

B1: Change *terrebamur* to the future perfect tense

Answer: **TERRITI ERIMUS**

B2: Change *territi erimus* to the active voice.

Answer: **TIMUERITIS**

TU2. Which emperor spent his final days as a slave of the Persian ruler Shapur I?

Answer: **VALERIAN**

B1. What term is often given to the group of emperors ruling from 235 to 285 AD?

Answer: **BARRACKS EMPERORS**

B2. Which of the barracks emperors was given the title “Restitutor Orbis” for subduing the breakaway Gallic and Palmyrene Empires?

Answer: **AURELIAN**

TU3. What does the abbreviation **D.V.** stand for in Latin?

Answer: **DEO VOLENTE**

B1: What does this motto mean mean?

Answer: **GOD WILLING**

B2: What does the Abbreviation **I.N.D.** mean in English?

Answer: **IN THE NAME OF GOD** (in nomine Dei)

TU4. What daughter of Atlas lived on the island of Ogygia and spent a year with Odysseus?

Answer: **Calypso**

B1: What daughter of Helios lived on Aeaea?

Answer: **Circe**

B2: What daughter of Alcinous lived on Scherie?

Answer: **Nausicaa**

TU5. What type of verbs are *vescor*, *fungor*, *arbitror*, *vereor*, and *morior*?

Answer: **DEPONENT VERBS**

B1: What case do the deponent verbs *fungor*, *furor* and *potior* take?

Answer: **ABLATIVE**

B2: Using two deponent verbs, say in Latin: The children think that monster had taken hold of their friends.

Answer: **LIBERI ARBITRANTUR MONSTRUM AMICIS POTIRI.**

TU6. What son of Myrrha and Cinyras was born from a myrrh tree and later attracted the love of both Persephone and Aphrodite?

Answer: **ADONIS**

B1: How was Adonis killed?

Answer: **GOUGED BY A BOAR**

B2: Into what flower was Adonis transformed upon his death?

Answer: **THE ANEMONE**

TU7. Differentiate, in meaning, between *vultus* and *vulnus*.

Answer: **VULTUS – FACE, COUNTENANCE, VULNUS - WOUND**

B1: Differentiate, in meaning, between *humus* and *umerus*.

Answer: **HUMUS – GROUND, EARTH, UMERUS - SHOULDER**

B2: Differentiate, in meaning, between *aeger* and *aequus*

Answer: **AEGER – SICK, FEEBLE, AEQUUS – EQUAL, FAIR**

TU8. 5. “The consulship of Julius and Caesar” is what Suetonius reported people joked when referring to the year 59 BC. But Caesar did in fact have a co-consul. Who was he?

Answer: **(MARCUS CALPURNIUS) BIBULUS**

B1. While the First Triumvirate certainly had no problem having its will enacted, it was not recognized as a legal political body like the Second Triumvirate. What law gave the Second Triumvirate actual legal authority?

Answer: **LEX TITIA**

B2. Identify 2 the triumvirs and give the years of their deaths.

Answer: **CRASSUS- 53 BC, POMPEY- 48 BC, CAESAR- 44 BC**

TU9. What type of priest was in charge of checking entrails of animals for omens?

Answer: **HARUSPEX**

B1: What type of priest checked the sky for omens?

Answer: **AUSPEX/AUGUR**

B2: What were the jumping priests of Mars called?

Answer: **SALII**

TU10. From what Latin verb with what meaning do we derive the word “stanza”?

Answer: **STO—TO STAND**

B1: What derivative of “*sto*” means “characterized by inflexible persistence or an unyielding attitude”?

Answer: **OBSTINATE**

B2: What derivative of “*sto*” means “immediate, sudden”?

Answer: **INSTANTANEOUS**

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ROUND 3

TU1. While Trajan's campaigns in Dacia are certainly more famous, which earlier emperor also fought against the Dacians?

Answer: **DOMITIAN**

B1. Against which Dacian ruler did he campaign?

Answer: **DECEBALUS**

B2. Domitian's reign was cut short by assassination. Who was his assassin?

Answer: **STEPHANUS**

TU2. What is the Latin motto of the modern Olympics?

Answer: **CITIUS, ALTIUS, FORTIUS**

B1: What quote from Juvenal could be used for the Olympics as well?

Answer: **MENS SANA IN CORPORA SANO**

B2: Vergil seems to have thought that brave men may have been lucky. What Latin phrase of Vergil supports this?

Answer: **AUDENTES [AUDENTĪS] FORTUNA IU VAT.**

TU3. *Quid Anglicē significat "ora?"*

Answer: **SHORE (OR "MOUTHS, FACES")**

B1: *Quid Anglicē significat "oro?"*

Answer: **TO PRAY, BEG**

B2: *Quid Anglicē significat "orno?"*

Answer: **TO ADORN, DECORATE**

TU4. To which consul did the senate grant nearly limitless power in order to suppress Gaius Gracchus and his supporters?

Answer: **LUCIUS OPIMIUS**

B1. What term is given to this decree of the Senate which gives a consul this nearly limitless power?

Answer: **SENATUS CONSULTUM ULTIMUM (a.k.a. Senatus Consultum De Re Publica Defendenda)**

B2. Opimius also oversaw the commission that divided Numidia between Adherbal and which enemy of Rome said to have claimed that Rome was "a city for sale"?

Answer: **JUGURTHA**

TU5. Give the dative singular of the Latin phrase *alius bonus agricola*.

Answer: **ALII BONO AGRICOLAE**

B1: Change *alii bono agricolae* to the genitive plural.

Answer: **ALIORUM BONORUM AGRICOLARUM**

B2: Now give the genitive singular of the Latin phrase meaning "one big sailor."

Answer: **UNIUS MAGNI NAUTAE**

TU6. Who was the mother of the Minotaur?

Answer: **PASIPHAË**

B1: What creature, killed by Theseus, was the father of the Minotaur?

Answer: **THE MARATHONIAN BULL**

B2: What Athenian inventor devised a contraption that allowed for the conception of the Minotaur?

Answer: **DAEDALUS**

TU7. What did Roman legionaries call the tortoise formation they used in sieges?

Answer: **TESTUDO**

B1: What was the title of the man who held the standard of the legion, the golden eagle?

Answer: **AQUILIFER**

B2: What was the title given to the man who was second in command to a centurion?

Answer: **OPTIO**

TU8. Translate the following sentence into Latin: “Our country did not conquer your city.”

Answer: **NOSTRA PATRIA TUAM URBEM NON SUPERAVIT / VICIT**

B1: Now say in Latin “Your city was not conquered by our country.”

Answer: **TUA URBS A NOSTRA PATRIA NON SUPERABATUR / VINCEBATUR**

B2: Now say in Latin “Your city is the first of all cities.”

Answer: **TUA URS PRIMA OMNIUM URBIUM EST**

TU9. What derivative of “*vir*” means “moral excellence or goodness”?

Answer: **VIRTUE**

B1: What derivative of “*vir*” means “having the essence or effect but not the appearance or form”?

Answer: **VIRTUAL**

B2: What derivative of “*vir*” means “a person who has special knowledge or skill in a field”?

Answer: **VIRTUOSO**

TU10. What creature, which ravaged the area around Thebes, was destined by Hera to never be caught?

Answer: **THE TEUMESSIAN VIXEN**

B1: What infallible hound was borrowed from Cephalus by Amphytrion in order to catch the fox?

Answer: **LAELAPS**

B2: What eventually happened to the both Laelaps and the Teumessian vixen to avoid the endless chase?

Answer: **ZEUS TURNED THEM BOTH TO STONE**

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CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND**

TU1. Give a synonym for the Latin verb *occīdo*.

Answer: **CAEDO, NECO, INTERFICIO, EXANIMO, PERIMO**

B1: Give a synonym of the Latin verb *occido*.

Answer: **PEREO, MORIOR, ABEO, INTEREO, CADO**

B2: Give an antonym of the Latin verb *occido*.

Answer: **VIVO, SPERO, NASCOR**

TU2. Though he had only one successor, Tiberius had adopted two heirs. just had the other killed. Name both heirs.

Answer: **CALIGULA AND TIBERIUS GEMELLUS**

B1. Tiberius' praetorian prefect Sejanus had plotted to gain the imperial throne, but his plot was betrayed. Whom did Tiberius appoint to kill Sejanus?

Answer: **(QUINTUS NAEVIUS SUTORIUS) MACRO**

B2. Nero's second praetorian prefect was known for encouraging Nero to indulge in vice, and had a reputation with the Roman people for cruelty and extravagance. Who was he?

Answer: **(GAIUS OFONIUS) TIGELLINUS**

TU3. Who dressed like a girl and hid at the court of Lycomedes to avoid service in the Trojan War?

Answer: **ACHILLES**

B1: On what island was Lycomedes' court?

Answer: **SCYROS**

B2: What Athenian hero did Lycomedes kill by pushing him off of a cliff?

Answer: **THESEUS**

TU4. What is the motto (and its English meaning) of the state of North Carolina?

Answer: **ESSE QUAM VIDERI, TO BE RATHER THAN TO SEEM**

B1: The Colbert Report tweaked this motto for their show. How do you translate their motto, *Videri quam esse*?

Answer: **TO SEEM RATHER THAN TO BE**

B2: Middlesbrough has an easily translated motto, *Erimus*. What does it mean?

Answer: **WE SHALL BE**

TU5. State the principal parts and meaning of the Latin verb from which we derive the word "tutelage"?

Answer: **TUEOR, TUERI, TUTUS SUM—TO SEE, LOOK AT, PROTECT**

B1: Name the two Latin words and their meanings from which we derive the word "intrude".

Answer: **IN—IN, INTO; TRUDO—TO PUSH, DRIVE**

B2: State the principal parts of "trudo".

Answer: **TRUDO, TRUDERE, TRUSI, TRUSUM**

TU6. Which of the following verb forms, if any, do not belong grammatically: *amat, parat, ferat, probat, ovat*.

Answer: **FERAT**

B1: What is the person, number, tense, voice, and mood of *ferat*?

Answer: **THIRD, SINGULAR, PRESENT, ACTIVE, SUBJUNCTIVE**

B2: Change *ferat* to the indicative.

Answer: **FERT**

TU7. Which queen earned the Romans' enmity when she refused to cease the state-sponsorship of piracy in the Adriatic sea?

Answer: **TEUTA**

B1. Of what region was Teuta the queen?

Answer: **ILLYRIA**

B2. Which ally of Teuta from Pharos surrendered the Illyrian garrison in Corcyra to the Romans, but later turned on the Romans and provoked the Second Illyrian War?

Answer: **DEMETRIUS (OF PHAROS)**

TU8. Translate the subordinate clause in the following sentence into Latin: The sea, whose waves were fierce, battered our ship.

Answer: **CUIUS UNDAE SUNT ACRES**

B1: Now translate the relative clause in this sentence into Latin: The books with which we learn are great.

Answer: **QUIBUS DISCIMUS**

B2: Now do the same for this sentence: The man whom I obeyed was my father.

Answer: **CUI PAREBAM/PARUI**

TU9. In a Roman *castra*, what was a *contubernium*?

Answer: **TENT FOR 8 SOLDIERS**

B1: In that same camp, what was the *praetorium*?

Answer: **COMMANDER'S TENT/HEADQUARTERS**

B2: What did they call the rampart, the pile of remains from the ditch they built around the camp?

Answer: **AGGER**

TU10. What bandit, killed by Theseus, had a man-eating turtle?

Answer: **SCIRON**

B1: What bandit was lame and carried a large bronze club?

Answer: **PERIPHETES**

B2: What god was the father of Periphetes?

Answer: **HEPHAESTUS**

TU11. What use of the genitive case is used with ordinal numbers, comparatives, superlatives, and adverbs such as *parum*, *nimum* and *satis*?

Answer: **PARTITIVE**

B1: What use of the genitive case is used with nouns of agency, action or feeling?

Answer: **OBJECTIVE**

B2: What use of the genitive is seen in the Latin phrase *flumen decem pedum altitudine*?

Answer: **MEASURE**

TU12. Who were the parents of Agave, Ino, Semele, and Autonoe?

Answer: **CADMUS AND HARMONIA**

B1: What son of Agave was torn apart by his own mother when she thought he was a wild animal?

Answer: **PENTHEUS**

B2: What son of Autonoe was torn apart by his dogs after he was turned into a stag?

Answer: **ACTAEON**

TU13. Translate the following sentence into English: *Puer timidus putavit puellam esse pulcherrimam.*

Answer: THE SHY BOY THINKS THAT THE GIRL IS VERY/MOST BEAUTIFUL

B1: Now translate this Latin sentence into English: *Agricola putavit bovem vorare herbam.*

Answer: THE FARMER THOUGHT THAT THE COW ATE/DEVOWERED THE GRASS

B2: Now translate this sentence *Pater putavit filium futurum esse iratiorem quam filiam.*

Answer: THE FATHER THOUGHT THAT HIS SON WOULD BE ANGRIER THAN HIS DAUGHTER.

TU14. What man, occasionally referred to as the second founder of Rome, led a successful campaign against the Falerii, completed the reduction of Veii, was banished for sacrilege, and came back to drive the Gauls out of Rome?

Answer: **MARCUS FURIUS CAMILLUS**

B1. For what act of sacrilege was Camillus banished?

Answer: **HIS CHARIOT AT THE TRIUMPHAL PROCESSION WAS PULLED BY 4 WHITE HORSES**

B2. What was the name of the Gallic chieftain whom Camillus defeated and drove from Rome?

Answer: **BRENNUS**

TU15: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following command: *pulsā mēnsam bis.*

Answer: STUDENT HITS THE DESK TWICE

B1: ...*Pulsā socium bis.*

Answer: STUDENT HITS HIS / HER TEAMMATE TWICE

B2: ...*Pulsāte, omnēs sociī, ducem bis.*

Answer: ALL TEAMMATES HIT THE CAPTAIN TWICE