

Certamen Level 1 Round 1

1TU . Romulus was the first king of Rome, but he was raised as a shepherd. What was the name of the shepherd who adopted Romulus?

Answer: **FAUSTULUS**

B1. Romulus founded the city of Rome. In what city was he born?

Answer: **ALBA (LONGA)**

B2. Romulus was said to have become a god. What was his name as a god?

Answer: **QUIRINUS**

2TU . Give the Latin dictionary entry for sailor.

Answer: **NAUTA, NAUTAE, M.**

B1. Give another one of the common masculine first declension nouns

Answer: **SEE BELOW**

B2. Give another one of the common masculine first declension nouns

Answer: **AGRICOLA, POETA, PIRATA, INCOLA**

3TU . Which of the following is not derived from *amo*?

amity, UNANIMOUS, enamor, amiable

Answer: **UNANIMOUS**

B1. From what root are the others all derived?

Answer: **ANIMUS**

B2. From what 2nd declension noun with what meaning is *annual* derived?

Answer: **ANNUS, YEAR**

4TU . Translate the Latin verb *sunt*

Answer: **THEY ARE**

B1. Change *sunt* to the singular

Answer: **EST**

B2. Change *est* to the imperfect and translate

Answer: **ERAT, HE/SHE/IT WAS**

5TU . What institution has the motto *civium in moribus rei publicae salus*?

Answer: **UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA**

B1. Translate that motto

Answer: **IN THE CHARACTER OF THE CITIZENS (LIES) THE WELFARE OF THE STATE (OR EQUIVALENT)**

B2. The motto of Florida's rival, FSU is quite different. Give the Latin and English for FSU's three word motto.

Answer: **VIRES, ARTES, MORES,
STRENGTH , SKILL (ARTS), CHARACTER**

6TU . Which emperor famously said that he “*found Rome a city of brick and left it a city of marble?*”

Answer: **AUGUSTUS**

B1. Who was the mother of Augustus’ daughter Julia?

Answer: **SCRIBONIA**

B2. Name the son of Augustus’ wife Livia who became the second emperor.

Answer: **TIBERIUS**

7TU . Who was the Greek god of prophecy, music and healing?

Answer: **APOLLO**

B1. What Greek city was his most famous oracle in?

Answer: **DELPHI**

B2. To make this oracle his own, Apollo killed a great serpent. Name it.

Answer: **PYTHON**

8TU . This Roman goddess of the hearth, fire and home was so honored that there are virtually no myths about her.

Answer: **VESTA**

B1. What was Vesta's Greek name?

Answer: **HESTIA**

B2. The Romans honored Vesta as mother of the city. What particular honor did this give to her at festivals in Rome?

Answer: **VESTA WAS INVOKED/CALLED ON FIRST**

9TU . For an ambitious aristocrat in Rome, it was necessary to be elected to the three major magistracies in a specific order. What was this standard order for holding office called?

Answer: **CURSUS HONORUM**

B1. What was the first office in the *curtus honorum*, and at what age could a man hold it?

Answer: **QUAESTOR, 25**

B2. What was the second office in the *curtus honorum*, and how many were elected yearly in the time of Caesar?

Answer: **PRAETOR, 8**

10TU . Say in Latin “*the long bridge*”

Answer: **PONS LONGUS**

B1. Change *pons longus* to the nominative plural

Answer: **PONTĒS LONGĪ**

B2. Change *pontēs longī* to the accusative plural

Answer: **PONTĒS LONGŌS**

Certamen Level 1 Round 2

1. TU . Say in Latin *“into the garden”*
Answer: **IN HORTUM**
B1. Now say *“out of the garden”*
Answer: **AB/DE/EX
HORTŌ**
B2. Now say *“with the girls”*
Answer: **CUM PUELLĪS**
2. TU . Differentiate in meaning between *lux* and *lex*
Answer: **LUX IS LIGHT, LEX IS LAW**
B1. Differentiate in meaning between *vox* and *nox*
Answer: **VOX IS VOICE, NOX IS NIGHT**
B2. Differentiate in meaning between *rex* and *res*
Answer: **REX IS KING, RES IS THING**
3. TU . Born in Spain, this member of the “Five Good Emperors” was adopted by his cousin in 117 AD and is also famous for the wall named after him in Britain.
Answer: **HADRIAN**
B1. Whom did Hadrian adopt as his successor?
Answer: **ANTONINUS PIUS**
B2. Although the front of this building still declares that it was built by Agrippa, Hadrian was responsible for rebuilding it in the domed form as it now stands. Name this temple for “all the gods”.
Answer: **PANTHEON**
4. TU . What famous Roman, said to be blind, held the censorship in 312 BC?
Answer: **APPIUS CLAUDIUS (CAECUS)**
B1 & 2 For both your boni, name the two great public works that are credited to Appius Claudius in 312 BC.
Answer: **AQUA APPIA**
Answer: **VIA APPIA** (or English equivalents)
5. TU . From what Latin root verb with what meaning is *invisible* derived?
Answer: **VIDEO, TO SEE**
B1. Which of these is also derived from *video*?
obvious, vindictive, PRUDENT, vestry
Answer: **PRUDENT**
B2. What other root is part of *prudent*?
Answer: **PRO**

6. TU . Zeus was (in the Homeric phrase) "father of gods and men." Name the heroic son of Zeus who killed Medusa.

Answer: **PERSEUS**

B1. Who was Perseus' mother?

Answer: **DANAE**

B2. What king of Seriphos wanted to wed Danae?

Answer: **POLYDECTES**

7. TU . Some abbreviations are medical. Give the Latin and English for *Rx*.

Answer: **RECIPE, TAKE**

B1. Now give the Latin and English for the abbreviation *gtt*.

Answer: **GUTTAE, DROPS**

B2. What is a doctor indicating about a medication with the abbreviation *h.s.*?

Answer: **TO TAKE IT AT BED TIME**

8. TU . Which mythological couple used a crack in the wall to talk to one another?

Answer: **PYRAMUS AND THISBE**

B1. Pyramus kills himself because he believes Thisbe is dead. What did Pyramus think happened to Thisbe?

Answer: **A LION KILLED/ATE HER**

B2. In what city are Pyramus and Thisbe said to have lived?

Answer: **BABYLON**

9. TU . Other than children, who wore a *toga praetexta*?

Answer: **MAGISTRATES (SENATORS)**

B1. Give one name for the plain white toga that adult Roman men wore.

Answer: **TOGA PURA/TOGA LIBERA**

B2. What was the name of the bright white toga men running for office wore?

Answer: **TOGA CANDIDA**

10. TU . For the sentence "*Marcus sees a wolf in the forest*" translate "*wolf*"

Answer: **LUPUM**

B1. Change *lupum* to the plural.

Answer: **LUPŌS**

B2. Now say "*in the forest*"

Answer: **IN SILVĀ**

Certamen Level 1 Round 3

1. TU This man became legendary for the restraint he showed when he held the power of a dictator. Name the man who ruled as dictator for 16 days in 458 BC.
Answer: **CINCINNATUS**
 - B1. Cincinnatus' dictatorship was needed because a Roman army had become trapped. Where had they become trapped?
Answer: **MOUNT ALGIDUS**
 - B2. What people had cleverly trapped the Romans there?
Answer: **AEQUI**

2. TU . What is the Latin word for *head*?
Answer: **CAPUT**
 - B1. Give the dictionary entry for *body*
Answer: **CORPUS, CORPORIS, N.**
 - B2. Give the dictionary entry for *eye*
Answer: **OCULUS, OCULI, M**

3. TU . What emperor founded the Flavian dynasty?
Answer: **VESPASIAN**
 - B1. Name the other two members of the Flavian dynasty.
Answer: **TITUS & DOMITIAN**
 - B2. What were the years of the Flavian dynasty?
Answer: **69-96 AD**

4. TU . From what third declension Latin noun with what meaning are *pawn, pioneer, impede and pedestal* all derived?
Answer: **PES, FOOT**
 - B1. Which of the following is not derived from *pes*?
COMPETITIVE, expedient, trivet, quadruped
Answer: **COMPETITIVE**
 - B2. What root verb is competitive derived from?
Answer: **PETO**

5. TU . Say in Latin "*they are saying*"
Answer: **DICUNT**
 - B1. Now say in Latin "*they have said*"
Answer: **DIXERUNT**
 - B2. Now say in Latin "*they had said*"
Answer: **DIXERANT**

6. TU . Translate into English "*Servī aquam ad urbem portabant*"
Answer: **THE SLAVES WERE CARRYING WATER TO THE CITY.**
- B1. Translate "*dux multas litteras scribere poterit.*"
Answer: **THE LEADER WILL BE ABLE TO WRITE MANY LETTERS**
- B2. Translate: "*Cur tua soror reginam custodit?*"
Answer: **WHY IS YOUR SISTER GUARDING THE QUEEN?**
7. TU . Ad is a particularly versatile preposition and is used for many purposes. Give the "ad" phrase which means "for this purpose"
Answer: **AD HOC**
- B1. Now give the "ad" phrase that means "to the point of disgust"
Answer: **AD NAUSEAM**
- B2. This "ad" phrase is frequently abbreviated AMDG. What does it mean in English?
Answer: **TO/FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD**
8. TU . Name the boy who tried to drive the chariot of the sun but could not control the horses.
Answer: **PHAËTHON**
- B1. Who was Phaëthon's mother?
Answer: **CLYMENE**
- B2. What "friend" of Phaëthon shames him into seeking out his father Helios?
Answer: **EPAPHUS**
9. TU . Which hero, the son of Aeson, brought the Golden Fleece back to Greece?
Answer: **JASON**
- B1. Who had deposed Jason's father and taken the throne of Iolcus?
Answer: **PELIAS**
- B2. Phrixus had brought the fleece to Colchis by riding it. What daughter of Aeetes did Phrixus marry?
Answer: **CHALCIOPE**
10. TU . In the Roman army, what was an *aquila*?
Answer: **LEGIONARY STANDARD (PROMPT ON EAGLE)**
- B1. What was the name of a legionary's shield?
Answer: **SCUTUM**
- B2. What was the name of a legionary's javelin or throwing spear?
Answer: **PILUM**

Certamen Level 1 Final Round

1. TU . What famous Punic commander led an army into Italy in 218 BC?
Answer: **HANNIBAL**
 - B1. At what battle of 217 did Hannibal nearly annihilate the Roman army commanded by Flaminius?
Answer: **(LAKE) TRASIMENE**
 - B2. In which of the Punic Wars did Hannibal fight?
Answer: **SECOND**

2. TU . Which verb does not belong by conjugation?
intro, sto, vulnero, CADO
Answer: **CADO**
 - B1. Give the dictionary entry for *cado*?
Answer: **CADO, CADERE, CECIDI, CASUM, TO FALL**
 - B2. Give the dictionary entry for *sto*.
Answer: **STO, STĀRE, STETĪ, STATUM/STATŪRUS, STAND**

3. TU . To which emperor is the phrase "*in hoc signo vinces*" attributed?
Answer: **CONSTANTINE I (THE GREAT)**
 - B1. Now translate the phrase *Festina Lente* and tell me which emperor was fond of saying it.
Answer: **MAKE HASTE SLOWLY (OR EQUIVALENT), AUGUSTUS**
 - B2. Translate the phrase *mens sana in corpore sano*.
Answer: **A SOUND MIND IN A SOUND BODY**

4. TU . There you are, transported in time and space back to ancient Rome, and for some reason you have been placed at the information center at the baths. One fellow walks up and asks: "*Ubi est apodyterium?*" What is this person asking you?

Answer: **WHERE THE CHANGING ROOM IS**
 - B1. Next a boy comes up and asks "*Ubi est hypocaustum?*" What has he asked?
Answer: **WHERE THE FURNACE IS**
 - B2. Finally, a slave says to you "*Vidistine meam strigilem?*" What has he asked?
Answer: **HAVE YOU SEEN MY STRIGIL**

5. TU . Who was the first wife of Heracles?

Answer: **MEGARA**

B1. Megara had two sons with Heracles. Why did Heracles kill them?

Answer: **HE WAS DRIVEN MAD BY HERA**

B2. To expiate or cleanse himself of this crime, Heracles was forced to perform 12 labors. Name the first two he accomplished.

Answer: **NEMEAN LION, LERNEAN HYDRA**

6. TU . Which of these prepositions does not take the ablative? **ab, PER, sine, de, cum**

Answer: **PER**

B1. What case does *per* take?

Answer: **ACCUSATIVE**

B2. What is unusual about the Latin preposition *in*?

Answer: **IT TAKES BOTH ACCUSATIVE AND ABLATIVE**

7. TU . What English verb meaning “to refuse to believe or to refuse to allow to join” is derived from *iacio*?

Answer: **REJECT**

B1. What English verb meaning “to stick out, up or forward” is derived from *iacio*?

Answer: **JUT**

B2. *Adjacent* is not derived from *iacio*. From what Latin verb with what meaning is it derived?

Answer: **IACEO, LIE**

8. TU . Who is punished in the Underworld by spinning endlessly on a wheel of fire?

Answer: **IXION**

B1. Which girls were punished by the eternally fruitless task of carrying leaky amphorae?

Answer: **DANAÏDS**

B2. How many Danaïds were punished?

Answer: **49 (not “all but 1”)**

9. TU . In 193 AD the Empire was bought in a auction from the Praetorians. Who won?

Answer: **DIDIUS JULIANUS**

- B1. Didius did not hold on to power long. Who ultimately becomes emperor and founds a new dynasty?

Answer: **SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS**

- B2. Severus really had to put things in “black and white” by defeating two enemies in battle. Name one of the two rivals and the place that Severus defeated him in battle.

Answer: **PESCENNIUS NIGER AT ISSUS OR
CLODIUS ALBINUS AT LUGDUNUM**

10. TU . Translate into English *Cīvēs tē vidēbunt et audient.*

Answer: **THE CITIZENS WILL SEE AND (WILL) HEAR YOU.**

- B1. Translate: *Dux cīvibus duās hōrās dīxerat.*

Answer: **THE LEADER HAD SPOKEN FOR TWO HOURS TO THE CITIZENS.**

- B2. Translate: *Dux ūnam hōram sōlam dīxīsse dēbet.*

Answer: **THE LEADER OUGHT TO HAVE SPOKEN FOR ONLY ONE HOUR**

11. TU . From what third declension Latin noun with what meaning is *quadrilateral* derived?

Answer: **LATUS, SIDE**

- B1. *Collate* is derived from a different *latus*. Define this *latus*.

Answer: **HAVING BEEN BROUGHT**

- B2. This *latus* is a form of what irregular verb?

Answer: **FERO**

12. TU . What was unusual about the gladiators known as *essedarii*?

Answer: **DROVE CHARIOTS**

- B1. Which gladiator carried a lasso and a curved piece of wood?

Answer: **LAQUEARIUS**

- B2. Which gladiators fought wild beasts?

Answer: **BESTIARI**

13. TU . Gods and goddesses have many strange things about them in myth, and one of the stranger ones is this goddess' birth from the head of Zeus.

Answer: **ATHENA**

- B1. Although some point to Athena's birth as an example of parthenogenesis, Athena did have a mother whom Zeus had swallowed. Who was Athena's mother?

Answer: **METIS**

- B2. Before Zeus swallowed her, what favor had Metis done for Zeus?

Answer: **SHE HAD FORCED CRONOS TO VOMIT UP ZEUS' BROTHERS AND SISTERS (GIVEN CRONOS AN EMETIC)**

14. TU . Tribune in 133 BC, this man tried to institute land reform in Rome.

Answer: **TIBERIUS GRACCHUS**

- B1. Which king had left his kingdom to the Romans in 133 BC?

Answer: **ATTALUS (III)**

- B2. What was the name of Attalus' kingdom?

Answer: **PERGAMUM**

15. TU . Listen to the story which I will repeat twice and answer the question in LATIN.

Olim, pater filio dixit "Mi fili, tua soror in villa nostra non est. Necesse est tibi tuam sororem invenire." Itaque filius primum ad silvam ambulabat, sed soror ibi non erat. Deinde filius ad agros ambulabat, sed soror non erat in hoc loco. Tandem filius templum intravit et deum rogabat, "Ubi est mea soror?"

Question: Ad quem locum filius secundum ambulavit?

Answer: **(AD) AGROS (AMBULAVIT)**

- B1. Responde aut Anglice aut Latine. *Si nomen filio est Cadmus, quid est nomen sorori?*

Answer: **EUROPA**

- B2. Responde aut Anglice aut Latine. *Quid est nomen patri?*

Answer: **AGENOR**