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TU # 1: What Roman author is described here: Jerome, as he was translating Eusebius' *Chronicon*, included references from Suetonius' *De Poetis* about THIS first-century BC author who was said to have been a close friend of Cicero. Jerome also wrote that Cicero edited THIS author's *magnum opus* after the author's death in about 55 BC. This author is known for writing about Epicurean philosophy in epic poetic format.

LUCRETIUS

B1: The grammarian Donatus claimed that Lucretius died at about the same time that what future author was assuming his toga virilis?

VERGIL

B2: How many books comprise Lucretius' De Rerum Natura?

SIX

TU # 2: **Quid Anglicē significant insidiae?**

AMBUSH

Quid Anglicē significant exuviae?

SPOILS

Quid Anglicē significant hiberna?

WINTER QUARTERS

TU # 3: Which emperor, the last of the dynasty of Theodosius the Great, ruled in the West from A.D. 423-455?

VALENTINIAN III

Who served as the **magister militum** of the West for the majority of Valentinian's reign?

(FLAVIUS) AETIUS

Aetius struggled with Valentinian's mother, a very powerful **Augusta**, for the majority of his time in power. Name her.

GALLA PLACIDIA

TU # 4: What Latin silver age author, a consul for the year 68 A.D., had a profound admiration for Vergil and wrote a seventeen book hexameter account of the 2nd Punic War entitled *Punica*?

SILIUS ITALICUS

What Latin silver age author wrote an eight book hexameter account of the adventures of Jason based on the work of the Greek author Apollonius of Rhodes?

VALERIUS FLACCUS

What Latin silver age author, the son of a learned school master, wrote the epic poems *Thēbaid* and *Achillēid*?

STATIUS

TU # 5: Translate: **Cavē ambulēs hōdie erga Brundisum.**

DON'T GO / BEWARE OF WALKING TOWARD BRUNDISIUM TODAY

Translate: **In Iudaeā Caligula statuum suī similem struēbat.**

CALIGULA BUILT A STATUE IN THE

LIKENESS OF HIMSELF IN JUDAEA

Translate: **Imperatōre Traianō rēgnante, Rōmānī provinciās Mesopotamiā tenus habēbant.**

IN THE AGE OF THE EMPEROR TRAJAN, THE ROMAN

HAD EMPIRES AS FAR AS MESOPOTAMIA

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- TU # 6: Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice, and answer in LATIN the Question that follows:
“**Marcus Antonīnus, in omnī vitā philosophiae datus, ā prīmā infantiā fuit mente gravissimus. Post paucōs annōs, perītīs rhētoribus mandātus est et tandem ad maximam philosophiae scientiam pervēnit. Ut tantam scientiam sibi habēret, ūsus est rhētoribus magnae nōtitiāe.**”
Question: **Quālēs fuērunt rhētorēs quibus Mārcus mandātus erat?**
PERĪTĪ / MAGNAE NŌTITIAE
Quō cōnsiliō, Mācus illīs rhētoribus ūsus est?
UT TANTAM / MAXIMAM SCIENTIAM (SIBI) HABĒRET
Quālis fuit Mārcus ab infantiā? **(MENTE) GRAVISSIMUS**
- TU # 7: What king of Tiryns gave up a portion of his kingdom to Melampus and Bias in exchange for their services in curing his daughters of madness?
PROETUS
B1: What brother of Proetus was king of nearby Argos?
ACRISIUS
B2: Whom did Heracles kill at Tiryns?
IPHITUS
- TU # 8: What Roman general was victorious at Cape Ecnomus in 256 B.C.?
(M. ATILIUS) REGULUS
By what mercenary general from Sparta was Regullus defeated in 255 B.C.?
XANTHIPPIUS
Where in Africa was Regullus’ army defeated?
BAGRADAS VALLEY
- TU # 9: What author's literary patrons included Pliny the Younger and Septicius Clarus, the later of whom fell into disgrace as praetorian prefect and disappeared with the author into oblivion?
SUETONIUS
B1: Give the Latin title of Suetonius' biographical work that has survived nearly intact?
DE VITA CAESARUM
B2: Name one of the two types of famous people who are described in the only extant section of Suetonius' *De Viris Illustribus*.
GRAMMARIANS, RHETORICIANS
- TU # 10: For the verb **tundō**, give the 2nd person singular pluperfect active subjunctive.
TUTUDISSES
Change **tutudissēs** to the passive. **TUNSUS / TUSUS ESSES**
Change **tunsus esses** to the imperfect. **TUNDERERIS**
- TU # 11: What son of Dionysus and Ariadne blinded Orion for raping his daughter?
OENOPION
What island, famous for grape-growing, did Oenopion rule? CHIOS
What was the name of Oenopion’s daughter? MEROPE

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- TU # 12: Excluding alliteration, identify the figure of speech illustrated in the following lines from Book II of Vergil's *Aeneid*, which I will read as prose: **Volcānō superante domus iam proximus ardet.** METONYMY
Excluding alliteration and metonymy, identify the figure of speech found here: **Nec dubiis ea signa dedit Trītōnia mōnstrīs.** LITOTES
What figure of speech is found here: **saevae memorem Iunonis ob iram?** SYNCHESIS / TRANSFERRED EPITHET / ANASTROPHE
- TU # 13: What Roman, a **novus homo** elected consul for 195 B.C., was a notorious hater of Greek culture. CATO THE ELDER
Cato of course ended his speeches with the infamous statement "**Carthago dēlenda est.**" Unfortunately for Cato he died on the eve the Third Punic War and did not see the final destruction of the city. In what year did Cato die? 149 B.C.
Against what eastern king did Cato fight at the pass of Thermopylae in 191 B.C.? ANTIOCHUS III
- TU # 14: What use of the genitive case is found in the following sentence: **Solet in mentem venīre illius temporis quō ūnā fuimus.** REMEMBERING & FORGETTING
What use of the genitive case is found in the phrase **vacatiō negotiū?** OBJECTIVE
What use of the genitive case is found in the sentence, "**Senātor capitis damnātus est.**" ACCUSING (& ACQUITTING) / CHARGE / PENALTY
- TU # 15: According Vergil's *Aeneid*, the son of Aeneas and Creusa was called both Iulus and Ascanius, but what was his original name? ILUS
Another Ilus, the eponym of Ilium, was the son of Tros. Once, this Ilus prayed to Zeus for a sign of his favor. What did he receive as this sign? THE PALLADIUM
What other Trojan king was the son of this Ilus and Eurydice, the daughter of Adrastus? LAOMEDON
- TU # 16: Identify the type of conditional clause illustrated in the following Latin sentence: **Sī piscēs vēnderēs, eōs emerem.** CONTRARY TO FACT, PRESENT
Translate that sentence. IF YOU WERE SELLING THE FISH, I WOULD BUY THEM
Change the Latin sentence so that it is a Past Contrary to Fact conditional. **SI PISCES VENDIDISSES, EOS EMISSEM**
- TU # 17: What was the mortal name of the sea-deity, known as Palaemon as an immortal, who was the son of Athamas and Ino? MELICERTES
What was his mother's name as an immortal? LEUCOTHEA
Melicertes' body was found washed ashore and buried by his uncle Sisyphus. Which ancient games were established in his honor by Sisyphus? ISTHMIAN GAMES
- TU # 18: Complete the following grammatical analogy: **vīn: vīsne:: sōdēs: SĪ AUDEŚ
sum : estō :: spectō : _____** SPECTĀTŌ

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What is the archaic ablative singular of 1st declension?

-ĀD

TU # 19: From what Latin noun with what meaning do we derive “litigious”?

LIS, QUARREL / LAWSUIT

From what Latin noun with what meaning do we derive “littoral”

(spelled L-I-T-T-O-R-A-L?

LĪTUS – BEACH / SEASHORE

From what Latin noun with what meaning do we derive “obliterate”?

LITTERA - LETTER

TU # 20: In respect to Roman gladiatorial fights, who was the **ēditor mūneris**?

THE GIVER / HOST OF THE GAMES

What name was given to the feast that took place on the eve of the games, during which
the gladiators would receive gifts from admirers?

CENA LĪBERA

Generally a gladiatorial exhibition would begin with a **prōlūsiō**. What was it?

A MOCK FIGHT WITH BLUNT WEAPONS