

2013 TSJCL Certamen  
Novice Level, Final Round

TU # 1: Name the husbands of Helen and Clytemnestra who also happened to be brothers.  
MENELAUS AND AGAMEMNON  
B1: Where was Agamemnon king? MYCENAE  
B2: What was Helen's hometown? SPARTA

TU # 2: What English noun meaning 'a fake drug' is a Latin verb literally meaning 'I will please'?  
PLACEBO  
B1: What derivative of this same Latin word is an English adjective meaning 'calm' or 'peaceful'?  
PLACID / PLEASANT  
B2: What derivative of this same Latin word is an English adjective meaning 'unable to be calmed'?  
IMPLACABLE

TU # 3: **Audī diligenter et respondē Latīnē: Quot dēclīnātiōnēs linguae Latīnae sunt?**  
QUINQUE  
B1: Now decline the Latin noun for the city of Athens in all seven cases and identify each.  
ATHĒNAE – NOM  
ATHĒNĀRUM – GEN  
ATHĒNĪS – DAT  
ATHĒNĀS – ACC  
ATHĒNĪS – ABL  
ATHĒNAE – VOC  
ATHĒNĪS – LOC  
B2: Give the case, gender, and number for the noun form “**equābus**”.  
DATIVE / ABLATIVE, PLURAL, FEMININE

TU # 4: Who gave Odysseus the herb that kept him from being turned into a pig by Circe?  
HERMES/MERCURY  
B1: What was the name of the herb? MOLY  
B2: What were the colors of the flower and root of this plant?  
WHITE (FLOWER) AND BLACK (ROOT)

TU # 5: What beverage in the ancient Roman diet was mulsum? WINE MIXED WITH HONEY  
B1: What beverage was mērum? UNDILUTED (PURE) WINE  
B2: What beverage was mulsa? HONEYED WATER (MEAD)

**(score check)**

TU # 6: What form of the adjective liber agrees with the noun form uxōrēs? LĪBERAE/LĪBERĀS  
B1: What form of the adjective liber agrees with the noun form manus? LĪBERA  
B2: What form of the adjective liber agrees with the pronoun form mihi? LĪBERŌ/LĪBERAE

- TU # 7: What Latin title has been given to the period of relative calm that settled upon the Roman Empire during the reign of Augustus? PAX ROMANA  
 B1: What general returned triumphantly to Rome with Augustus in the year 13 BC? AGRIPPA  
 B2: What familial relationship existed between these two men at Agrippa's death? AGRIPPA WAS THE SON-IN-LAW OF AUGUSTUS

- TU # 8: Translate into English: "**Flavius flammam facillimē fēcit.**" FLAVIUS MADE A FLAME (FIRE) VERY EASILY  
 B1: Translate into English: "**Perītissimē per perīcula pugnāre poteris.**" YOU WILL BE ABLE TO FIGHT THROUGH DANGERS VERY SKILLFULLY  
 B2: Translate into English: "**Dormīveram domī diū.**" I HAD SLEPT AT HOME FOR A LONG TIME

- TU # 9: Who was so in love with a man that didn't love her back that she eventually lost her body with only her voice remaining? ECHO  
 B1: Who was the man? NARCISSUS  
 B2: Who had condemned Echo to be able only to repeat what was said to her? HERA

- TU #10: Listen carefully to the following Latin passage, which I will read twice, and then answer in English the question that follows:

**Rēx pulcherrimam fēminam, cui nōmen Iūlia erat, maximē amābat. Familia Iūliae nōn erat nōbilis sed plēbēia. Mōs nōn erat rēgī in mātirimōnium dūcere plēbem. Rēx suō populō dīxit, "Sine fēminā quam amō, rēx esse nōn possum." Tum rēx rēgnum rēnuntiāvit et fēminam in mātirimōnium dūxit."** (repeat)

- Question: Why was the king not supposed to marry a girl like Iulia?  
 HER FAMILY WAS PLEBEIAN / NOT NOBLE / NOT UPPER-CLASS  
 B1: What specifically did the king announce to his people?  
 I AM NOT ABLE TO BE KING WITHOUT THE WOMAN (WHOM) I LOVE  
 B2: What did the king do before marrying the woman?  
 GAVE UP/RENOUNCED HIS KINGDOM

**(score check)**

- TU #11: Green is your absolute FAVORITE color, and so you buy a red hat. What Latin phrase could be used to designate this illogicality? NŌN SEQUITUR  
 B1: What Latin phrase might you say to reinforce the idea that everyone has different tastes such that it doesn't really matter that green is your friend's favorite color and blue is your's?  
 DĒ GUSTIBUS NŌN EST DISPUTANDUM  
 B2: What Latin phrase might you say to your teammates if they complain when you buzz in and miss a toss-up question?  
 MEA CULPA / ERRĀRE HUMANUM EST

- TU #12: What Roman general spent the last part of the year 69 AD and the first part of the year 70 subduing Jerusalem, then returned to Rome to celebrate a triumph? TITUS  
 B1: For what natural disaster did Titus send help two months into his reign?  
 ERUPTION OF VESUVIUS  
 B2: For what disaster in Rome did Titus provide relief in the following year?  
 FIRE

TU #13: What is the difference in meaning between the Latin nouns aula and ara?  
AULA - PALACE / ARA - ALTAR

B1: What is the difference in meaning between the Latin nouns equus and equus?  
EQUES - CAVALRYMAN / EQUUS - HORSE

B2: What is the difference in meaning between the Latin adjectives fēlix and ferōx?  
FELIX - HAPPY, LUCKY / FEROX - WILD, FIERCE, SAVAGE

TU #14: According to its Latin derivation, what does one receive during a 'coronation'? CROWN

B1: According to its Latin derivation, where does one go for an 'incarceration'? PRISON/JAIL

B2: According to its Latin derivation, who makes a 'concoction'? COOK

TU #15: Which of the following would be the BEST antonym of mōns: vallis, collis, arbor, agger, mīles?  
VALLIS

B1: Which of the following, if any, is an antonym of prope: hīc, ad, bene, intrā, longē? LONGĒ

B2: Which of the following, if any, is an antonym of aeger: campus, tardus, facilis, incertus, validus?  
VALIDUS

**(score check)**

TU #16: Who rode Pegasus? BELLEROPHON

B1: Who had given Bellerophon a magic bridle with which to tame Pegasus? ATHENA / MINERVA

B2: What was Bellerophon's intended destination when he fell off Pegasus and died?  
MT. OLYMPUS

TU #17: What was the job in ancient Pompeii of a lanista? GLADIATOR TRAINER

B1: What was the job in ancient Pompeii of a paedagogus?  
TUTOR / ACCOMPANIED CHILD TO SCHOOL

B2: What was the job in ancient Pompeii of a libitinārius? FUNERAL DIRECTOR

TU #18: Translate into Latin: Mother, do not say these words.  
MĀTER, NŌLĪ HAEC (VERBA) DĪCERE

B1: ...Lucius and Marcus, do not believe the merchants  
LŪCĪ ET MĀRCE, NŌLĪTE MERCĀTŌRIBUS CRĒDERE

B2: Now say in Latin, "Friends, do not walk faster."  
AMĪCĪ, NŌLĪTE CELERIUS AMBULĀRE

TU #19: Name the first consort of Zeus whom he swallowed to avert a prophecy about their child one day becoming greater than him. METIS

B1: Who was their child? ATHENA

B2: Which Titan was the father of Metis? OCEANUS

**(score check)**

- TU #20: Name the father of the emperor Geta who was himself emperor from 193 to 211 AD. SEPTIMIUS SEVERUS
- B1: Who served as co-emperor with Geta and was murdered by him? CARACALLA
- B2: Name the modern city in England, known in ancient times as Eboracum, where Septimius Severus died. YORK