

2013 TSJCL Certamen
Novice Level, Round 1

TU # 1: Who became emperor of the Roman Empire in the same year that general Germanicus began a campaign in Germany, which was the year 14 AD? TIBERIUS
B1: In what month of that year did Augustus die? AUGUST (then called SEXTILIS)
B2: What did the Senate decree about Augustus in September of that year?
THAT HE HAD BECOME A GOD

TU # 2: What bird in mythology received the eyes of the murdered Argus? (HERA'S) PEACOCK
B1: What bird in mythology helped Zeus locate the center of the Earth? EAGLE
B2: What bird in mythology was featured on coins of the city of Athens? OWL

TU # 3: According to its Latin derivation, what type of animals are involved in an 'equestrian' competition? HORSES
B1: According to its Latin derivation, what animal does a person with an 'aquiline' nose resemble? EAGLE
B2: According to its Latin derivation, what type of animal is one imitating by being 'asinine'? DONKEY

TU # 4: Define the Latin verb favēre. FAVOR, SUPPORT
B1: Define the Latin verb facere. TO DO, MAKE
B2: Define the Latin verb ferre. TO BRING, CARRY

TU # 5: Listen carefully to the following Latin passage, which I will read twice, and then answer in English the question that follows:

"Salvē, pater! Haec nōn est p̄rīma epistula mea; iam ad tē m̄sī quattuor epistulās. Tū mihi nihil scr̄ipsistī; tū ad mē nūllam pecūniam m̄sistī. Sum pauperrimus discipulus, quī studēre aut edere nōn possum." (repeat)

Question: What kind of student is the author of this passage? (VERY) POOR
B1: Answer in English: What two things has the student been expecting to receive from his father?
MONEY, A LETTER / SOME TYPE OF WRITING or RESPONSE
B2: Answer in English: What two things does the student say he cannot do without money?
EAT AND STUDY

(score check)

TU # 6: Whom did the hunter Actaeon accidentally see bathing in the forest? DIANA / ARTEMIS
B1: Into what was he then turned? DEER / STAG
B2: What caused his death? HIS OWN HUNTING DOGS KILLED HIM

- TU # 7: Translate the following sentence into English: "dominus est fortior quam servus."
 THE MASTER IS BRAVER (STRONGER) THAN THE SLAVE
- B1: Translate into English: "canis quīnque annōs in villā mānēbat."
 THE DOG REMAINED IN THE HOUSE FOR FIVE YEARS
- B2: Translate into English: "mercātor nāvēs in portū cōspēxit."
 THE MERCHANT CAUGHT SIGHT OF THE SHIPS IN THE HARBOR

- TU # 8: What was the special talent of Orpheus? MUSIC / SINGING
- B1: What was the destination of his most famous adventure? UNDERWORLD
- B2: Who was with him just after he left the underworld? NO ONE

- TU # 9: Which of the following was NOT one of the four emperors in the year 69 AD: Vitellius, Otho, Nero, Vespasian, Galba? NERO
- B1: Who was the first of the emperors in that year? GALBA
- B2: Who was the last? VESPASIAN

- TU #10: Translate "friend's" into Latin for the following sentence: "For three days I traveled with my friend's family to Athens." AMĪCĪ / AMĪCAE / AMĪCŌRUM / AMĪCĀRUM
- B1: Translate "friends" into Latin for the following sentence: "The new dress I bought pleased my friends." AMĪCĪS
- B2: Translate "friends" into Latin for the following sentence: "Marcus and I are friends from way back when." AMĪCĪ

(score check)

- TU #11: Who customarily received one obol in exchange for providing his service in taking souls across the Styx? CHARON
- B1: Whom were Theseus and Pirithous intending to kidnap when Charon took them across the Styx into the underworld? PERSEPHONE
- B2: Who used a golden branch to get Charon to take him across the Styx? AENEAS

- TU #12: Define the Latin noun fabula. STORY, PLAY
- B1: Define the Latin idiom fabulam agere. TO ACT IN A PLAY
- B2: Define the Latin idiom fabulum dare. TO PUT ON A PLAY

- TU #13: What was said three times during an ancient ritual called the conclamatio? THE NAME OF A RECENTLY DECEASED PERSON
- B1: What was the cena novendialis that was held nine days after a death? BANQUET/DINNER
- B2: What was the name of the type of toga that was worn by mourners? TOGA PULLA

- TU #14: Which word does not belong with the others grammatically: ferte, dīcite, audīte, stāte, forte? FORTE
- B1: Which word does not belong with the others grammatically: dīxī, mānsī, portāvī, rēgī, docuī? REGI

B2: Which word does not belong with the others grammatically: celere, ponere, mittere, trahere, emere?
CELERE

TU #15: Define the Latin verb habēre. TO HAVE, HOLD
B1: Define the Latin verb habitāre. TO LIVE, INHABIT, DWELL
B2: Define the Latin verb haerēre. TO STICK, CLING

(score check)

TU #16: What is the meaning of the Latin verb which is at the root of the English noun 'inspiration'?
BREATHE
B1: What derivative of this same verb is an English verb meaning 'to agree together, especially secretly, to do something wrong'?
CONSPIRE
B2: What derivative of this same verb is an English noun meaning 'a strong desire or ambition'?
ASPIRATION

TU #17: The emperor Constantine, like the emperors Titus and Septimius Severus, still has one of these standing in Rome in tribute to him. What type of structure is it? ARCH
B1: The Arch of Constantine commemorates his victory over his rival Maxentius at the Milvian Bridge. What river flowed under the Milvian Bridge? TIBER
B2: In what year was this battle fought? 312 AD

TU #18: What was the special talent in mythology of a woman named Atalanta? FAST RUNNER
B1: What objects did Hippomenes use to win a foot race against her? GOLDEN APPLES
B2: Into what animals were Atalanta and Hippomenes later turned? LIONS

TU #19: What did a gladiator called a venator fight? ANIMALS
B1: What animal resembled the helmet of a murmillo? FISH
B2: What two objects were held by a gladiator called a retiarius? NET, TRIDENT

(score check)

TU #20: Translate into English: "Horātius, quī multa vulnera habēbat, in aquam saluit."
HORATIUS, WHO HAD MANY WOUNDS, JUMPED INTO THE WATER
B1: Translate into English: "Mīles Rōmam contrā multōs hostēs dēfendēbat."
THE SOLDIER WAS DEFENDING ROME AGAINST MANY ENEMIES
B2: Translate into English: "Populī mīlitī grātiās ēgērunt."
THE PEOPLE GAVE THANKS TO THE SOLDIER