

2015 TSJCL Certamen  
Advanced Division, Round 1

- TU # 1: What would a Roman woman typically have seen if she were looking at a speculum?  
HERSELF / HER REFLECTION  
B1: Where would she be if she were doing this in a spelunca? CAVE  
B2: Where would she be if she were doing this in the specus of an aqueduct?  
INSIDE THE (WATER CHANNEL OF THE) AQUEDUCT
- TU # 2: How did Polydectes die? LOOKED AT MEDUSA(S SEVERED HEAD)  
B1: Who succeeded him as king? (HIS BROTHER) DICTYS  
B2: What was the name of the island kingdom of these brothers? SERIPHUS
- TU # 3: Which of the emperors of AD 69 ruled the longest? VITELLIUS  
B1: Which one ruled for the shortest amount of time? OTHO  
B2: Which of the four emperors in that year committed suicide? OTHO
- TU # 4: What animal did the Romans sometimes call caballus? HORSE  
B1: What animal did the Romans sometimes call caper? GOAT  
B2: What animal did the Romans sometimes call catulus? PUPPY, PIGLET, CUB
- TU # 5: What emperor died at Vindobona (modern Vienna), having been emperor since the year 161?  
MARCUS AURELIUS  
B1: Who had required Marcus Aurelius's predecessor Antoninus Pius to adopt him as his son?  
HADRIAN  
B2: In what year did Antoninus Pius become emperor? 138
- (score check)
- TU # 6: What recent Oscar-winning movie would the Romans have called *Pueritia*? BOYHOOD  
B1: What recent Oscar-winning movie would the Romans have called *Vulpis Captor*? FOXCATCHER  
B2: What recent Oscar-winning movie would the Romans have called *Ratio Omnium*?  
THE THEORY OF EVERYTHING
- TU # 7: Why does the city of Mantova, Italy hold a special observance each year on October 15?  
IT WAS THE BIRTHDAY OF (THEIR NATIVE SON) VIRGIL  
B1: What native son, also an ancient Roman poet, does the city of Verona honor in the name of its  
airport? CATULLUS  
B2: Whom does the southern Italian city of Venusia honor on December 8? HORACE
- TU # 8: Whom did Heracles defeat by squeezing him to death after lifting him off the ground?  
ANTAEUS  
B1: Why did that work? HE DERIVED HIS STRENGTH FROM MOTHER EARTH  
B2: Until Antaeus's death, where did your skull end up if you lost a wrestling match to him?  
ON THE ROOF OF A TEMPLE (OF HIS FATHER, POSEIDON)

- TU # 9: Why does Vergil refer to the people of Carthage as Tyrians?  
 THEY WERE ORIGINALLY FROM THE CITY OF TYRE
- B1: Whom does he refer to as Teucrians? TROJANS
- B2: Whom does he refer to as Danaans? GREEKS

- TU # 10: To whom would an altar inscription be dedicated if it contained the words *dīs manibus*?  
 THE SPIRITS OF THE DEAD / GODS OF THE UNDERWORLD
- B1: What did the abbreviation DSP on a public building indicate about how its construction was financed?  
 PAID FOR BY A CITIZEN (stood for *de sua pecunia* or *de suo posuit*)
- B2: What did the abbreviation COSS after two names on a building indicate?  
 THEY WERE CONSULS

(score check)

- TU # 11: How can a subjunctive clause of purpose not begin with the words ut or nē?  
 IF IT BEGINS WITH A RELATIVE PRONOUN
- B1: What pronoun form would introduce the purpose clause if this sentence were in Latin: "The Emperor summoned a priest to examine the entrails."? QUĪ
- B2: What pronoun form would introduce the purpose clause if this sentence were in Latin: "The father bought flowers to give to his daughter."? QUŌS

- TU # 12: Which of the following mythological characters is not known for having been blind at some point in his life? Tiresias, Hippolytus, Polyphemus, Demodocus, Oedipus? HIPPOLYTUS
- B1: How did Hippolytus, son of Theseus, die? DRAGGED TO DEATH BY HORSES
- B2: How did Theseus die? FELL OFF A CLIFF (OR WAS PUSHED)

- TU # 13: To whom did Cicero address his philosophical work De Officiis? (HIS SON) MARCUS
- B1: To whom did Cicero address his philosophical work Cato Maior de Senectute? ATTICUS
- B2: To whom did Cicero address his philosophical work Laelius de Amicitia? ATTICUS

- TU # 14: Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice. Then answer in English the question that follows:  
 "Postquam Graecī Athēnās vērunt, Agamemnōn ducēs ad colloquium vocāvit, eōs laudāvit, et hortātus est ut quam primum suās iniuriās dēfenderent. Agamemnōn ducibus imperāvit ut lēgātōs Delphōs ad Apollinem consulendum mitterent. Omnēs assēnsērunt." (repeat)
- Question: Where does this scene take place? ATHENS
- B1: What did Agamemnon order the leaders to do?  
 SEND ENVOYS TO DELPHI TO CONSULT THE ORACLE/APOLLO
- B2: How did the leaders react to this command? THEY AGREED WITH AGAMEMNON

- TU # 15: Who, in his loneliness, asked his father Zeus to give him companions, only to find that the ants on his island were transformed into people? AEACUS
- B1: What island did he live on? AEGINA
- B2: What famous structure did Aeacus help to build? WALLS AROUND TROY

(score check)

- TU # 16: Give the Latin word for 'army' to complete this sentence: "Caesar praeest \_\_\_\_."  
EXERCITUĪ, ACIĒĪ, AGMINĪ, COPIĪS
- B1: Give the Latin word for 'army' to complete this sentence: "Caesar fruitur \_\_\_\_."  
EXERCITŪ, ACIĒ, AGMINE, COPIĪS
- B2: Give the Latin word for 'army' to complete this sentence: "Caesar meminit \_\_\_\_."  
genitive: EXERCITŪS, ACIĒS, AGMINIS, COPIĀRUM  
accusative: EXERCITUM, ACIEM, AGMEN, COPIĀS
- TU # 17: What Roman author famously wrote that although he was unsure of the reason, he knew for sure that he didn't like Sabidius? MARTIAL
- B1: What does Martial say happened to him when doctor Symmachus came to visit him with his medical school pupils? THEY MADE MARTIAL SICKER THAN HE WAS
- B2: What general attitude toward other writers does Martial repeat throughout his epigrams?  
NEGATIVE / DOESN'T LIKE THEM / DOESN'T RESPECT THEM
- TU # 18: By what name did the young Bassianus rule as emperor of the Roman Empire?  
(MARCUS AURELIUS ANTONINUS) ELAGABALUS
- B1: Whom did he replace as emperor after a brief battle near Antioch in Syria? MACRINUS
- B2: Which of Elagabalus's cousins succeeded him as emperor? SEVERUS ALEXANDER
- TU # 19: What English derivative of the Latin noun *gēns* was coined during World War II to describe the attempted extermination of the Jews in Europe? GENOCIDE
- B1: What English derivative of the Latin noun *gēns* means 'native to a particular region'? INDIGENOUS
- B2: To the Romans, the *stirps* was the branch of one's *gens* in which all the members had the same *cognomen*. What English derivative of *stirps* means 'to pull up by the roots' or 'to destroy completely'? EXTIRPATE
- (score check)
- TU # 20: Say in Latin, "both bakers". AMBŌ PISTŌRĒS
- B1: Make that phrase dative case. AMBŌBUS PISTŌRIBUS
- B2: Make that phrase accusative case. AMBŌS (or AMBŌ) PISTŌRĒS