

2015 TSJCL Certamen  
Intermediate Division, Round 2

TU # 1: What deity, when looking down at his feet, would have seen talaria? MERCURY / HERMES  
B1: What is the name of the object he would most likely see in his hand? CADUCEUS  
B2: At what point in his life did he see a tortoise in his hand? ON THE DAY HE WAS BORN

TU # 2: What is the meaning of the Latin verb from which we derive the English words 'renegade' and 'negative'? DENY, SAY NO, REFUSE, DECLINE  
B1: What derivative of negō is an English word meaning 'to go back on a promise'? RENEGE  
B2: What derivative of negō is an English word meaning 'to nullify' or 'to deny the existence of'? NEGATE

TU # 3: Translate into English the Latin verb form ducēbar. I WAS (BEING) LED  
B1: Make ducēbar plural. DUCĒBĀMINĪ  
B2: Make ducēbāminī perfect tense. DUCTĪ/-AE/-A ESTIS

TU # 4: What deities were known as the Dioscuri? CASTOR AND POLLUX  
B1: Who was their mother? HELEN  
B2: What husband of Helen was the father of one of the twins? TYNDAREUS

TU # 5: By 153 BC the Roman calendar had the twelve months that we have. However when the Romans did this to their calendar in the year 153 BC, it meant that September was no longer the seventh month but the ninth month, October was no longer the eighth month but the tenth month, and so on. What did they do that caused this? THEY MADE JANUARY THE FIRST MONTH  
B1: For the next hundred years after this, there were four months that had 31 days each. What were they? MARCH, MAY, JULY, OCTOBER  
B2: What new name did they give to the month Sextilis in 8 BC? AUGUSTUS

(score check)

TU # 6: Define the Latin noun lūmen. LIGHT, DAY, LAMP, TORCH, EYE, LIFE  
B1: Define the Latin noun nūmen. DIVINE WILL, NOD, DEITY  
B2: Define the Latin noun flūmen. RIVER, STREAM

TU # 7: Whose limp and partial deafness as a child probably kept him from being murdered, like so many in the Julio-Claudian family, thus paving the way for him to become emperor in the year AD 41? CLAUDIUS  
B1: In what Roman province was he born? GALLIA / GAUL  
B2: Who was Claudius's brother? GERMANICUS

TU # 8: Translate this phrase into English: centum mīlia passuum. ONE HUNDRED MILES  
B1: Translate this phrase into English: quīndecim pedēs lāta. 15 FT. WIDE  
B2: Translate this phrase into English: iter quīnque diērum. A JOURNEY OF FIVE DAYS

- TU # 9: Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice, and then answer IN LATIN the question that follows:  
**"Olim crocodilus quīdam, cui nōmen erat Benignus, in Aegyptō habitabat. Hic crocodilus in flūmine Nīlō habitabat et eī natāre placuit. Sed Benignus erat crocodilus benignissimus. Aurēlia et familia saepe in hōc flūmine natābant, sed Benignus familiam Aurēliae nōn oppugnābat. Piscēs ēdere maluit."** (Repeat)  
 Question: What was the crocodile's name? BENIGNUS  
 B1: Answer in English: What did he enjoy doing in the river? SWIMMING  
 B2: Answer in English: What did the passage say about fish?  
 HE PREFERRED TO EAT THEM (RATHER THAN PEOPLE)
- TU # 10: The Greek word for 'man' is anthropos, so that was probably the answer that this mythological hero gave when answering the famous riddle. Who was he? OEDIPUS  
 B1: Who in Oedipus's long and twisted life was Merope?  
 HIS FOSTER MOTHER WHO RAISED HIM  
 B2: Who was Eteocles?  
 HIS SON (BY JOCASTA)
- (score check)
- TU # 11: What common theme exists among the definitions of these Latin words: ferrum, aurum, argentum, cuprum? THEY ARE METALS / ARE ON THE PERIODIC TABLE  
 B1: What metal is cuprum? COPPER  
 B2: What metal is called plumbum in Latin and is the source of our word 'plumber'? LEAD
- TU # 12: What second century emperor, son of Titus Aurelius Fulvus, was raised by his grandfather Gnaeus Arrius Antoninus and became emperor in AD 138? ANTONINUS PIUS  
 B1: Who was Antoninus's wife? FAUSTINA  
 B2: Who married Antoninus and Faustina's daughter Faustina? MARCUS AURELIUS
- TU # 13: What emotion is represented by the use of the Latin word heu? GRIEF, PAIN, SADNESS  
 B1: What emotion is represented by the use of the Latin word iō? JOY, PAIN, SURPRISE  
 B2: What emotion is represented by the use of the Latin word vae? PAIN, DREAD, WOE
- TU # 14: Which of the following is a synonym of the English word 'dentifrice'? finger, dominion, production, toothpaste, endurance? TOOTHPASTE  
 B1: What other English word derived from the Latin word for 'tooth' is used when you type a five-paragraph essay? INDENT / INDENTATION  
 B2: What other English word derived from the Latin word for 'tooth' is a type of servitude by which people in the 18th century paid for passage to the New World? INDENTURED
- TU # 15: Define the Latin adverb diū. FOR A LONG TIME  
 B1: Using this word, how would you say in Latin "for a longer time"? DIŪTIUS  
 B2: Using this word, how would you say in Latin "for a very long time"? DIŪTISSIMĒ

(score check)

TU # 16: Whether you call her Eos or Aurora, of what was she the goddess? THE DAWN

B1: By what colorful epithet does Homer refer to her in his poetry?  
ROSY-FINGERED, GOLD-THRONED

B2: Into what type of insect was her boyfriend Tithonus turned? GRASSHOPPER / CICADA

TU # 17: What was the job in ancient Rome of a nomenclator?

HELP SOMEONE REMEMBER PEOPLE'S NAMES

B1: What was the job in ancient Roman baths of an unctor ? RUB OIL ON A BATHER

B2: What was the job in ancient Rome of a piscator? FISHERMAN

TU # 18: Translate into English the Latin verb form monēbitur.

HE/SHE/IT WILL BE WARNED/ADVISED

B1: Translate into English the Latin verb form monēbāminī.

Y'ALL WERE (BEING) WARNED/ADVISED

B2: Translate into English the Latin verb form monitī erāmus.

WE HAD BEEN WARNED/ADVISED

TU # 19: How many champions left Argos to go help Polynices recover the kingdom of Thebes? SEVEN

B1: From whom was Polynices wanting to regain the kingdom of Thebes?  
(HIS BROTHER) ETEOCLES

B2: How many of the Seven survived this campaign? ONE

TU # 20: Who promised each soldier in the army 25,000 sesterces as a reward and then was named emperor by the Praetorian Guard in AD 193? DIDDIUS JULIANUS

B1: What emperor had the Guard murdered just prior to this? PERTINAX

B2: Name either one of the other two army generals in Syria or Britain whose troops proclaimed them emperor in the wake of the death of Pertinax. CLODIUS ALBINUS, PESCENNIUS NIGER