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1. What famous hero saved Rome by his defense of the Pons Sublicius? HORATIOUS
    B1 To what did Horatius’ agnomen, Cocles refer? HE HAD ONE EYE/ONE EYED
    B2 Despite the legend of Horatius, historians believe Lars Porsenna did capture Rome. What maiden swam across the Tiber to escape Porsenna? CLOELIA

2. Supply the correct form of īrātus to agree with the noun form agricultae. ĪRĀTŌ / ĪRĀTĪ
    B1 Change agricultae īrātō to the plural. AGRICOLĪS ĪRĀTĪS
    B2 Change agricultis īrātīs to the genitive case. AGRICOLĀRUM ĪRĀTŌRUM

3. What Greek goddess of hunting and childbirth is often depicted carrying a bow, quiver, and arrows? ARTEMIS
    B1 Which of the following animals was sacred to Artemis: Owl, peacock, deer, horse? DEER
    B2 What brother of Artemis was the god of prophecy and song? APOLLO

4. Translate into English: “Cornelia ambulat in villa.” CORNELIA WALKS INTO THE HOUSE.
    B1 Translate into English: “Quintus portat libros e horto.” QUINTUS CARRIES THE BOOK OUT OF THE GARDEN.
    B2 Translate into English: “Romani necant meos elephantos.” THE ROMANS ARE KILLING MY ELEPHANTS.

5. What did the Romans call apartment blocks? ĪNSULAE
    B1 What did the Romans call the main entrance hall of a house? ĀTRIUM
    B2 What did the Romans call the alcoves on either side of the atrium? ĀLAE
6. What Olympian god had a mortal mother who perished after seeing Zeus in all of his glory? Dionysus
   B1 Dionysus is often depicted carrying what staff encircled by vines and topped with a pinecone? Thyrsus/Thyrsos
   B2 What loyal follower of Dionysus often accompanied the god drunk, supported by satyrs or by a donkey? At one point, he was grandly entertained by King Midas in Phrygia. Silenus

7. Leaving all else the same, change the verb navigamus to the future.
   B1 Leaving all else the same, change navigabimus to the imperfect.
   B2 Leaving all else the same, change navigabamus to the singular.

8. Quid Anglice signifcat: nauta?
   B1 Quid Anglice signifcat: deus?
   B2 Quid Anglice signifcat: mundus?

9. Please translate the following sentence into Latin: We will sail to the island.
   B1 Please translate: The slaves will work in the garden.
   B2 Please translate: The men will be in the market place.

10. What creatures alerted Romans of an attempt to capture the Capitol in 390 BC?
    B1 Who heard the alarm of the sacred geese in 390 BC?
    B2 What was the name of the Gallic chieftain who sacked Rome in 390 BC?

11. From what Latin verb do we derive the English noun “mission”?
    B1 From what Latin verb do we ultimately derive the English noun “demand”?
    B2 From what Latin verb do we ultimately derive the English noun “emotion”?
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12. What use of the ablative case can be found in the following sentence: *frāter cum amićō ad villam currit*?  
**ACCOMPANIMENT**

B1 What use of the ablative case can be found in this sentence: *pugno gladio*?  
**MEANS**

B2 What use of the ablative case can be seen in the following sentence: *viri laborant magno cum gaudio*?  
**MANNER**

13. What city, south of the Ebro River, played a key role in the outbreak of the Second Punic War?  
**SAGUNTUM**

B1 In what year did Saguntum fall to Hannibal?  
**218 BC**

B2 At what battle in 218 BC was P. Cornelius Scipio defeated?  
**TICINUS RIVER**

14. The so-called Oath of Tyndareus was taken by the suitors of what beautiful woman, whose beauty and infidelity led to the events of the Trojan War?  
**HELEN**

B1 Who was the king of Sparta to whom Helen was married?  
**MENELAUS**

B2 What king of Mycenae was the brother-in-law of Helen and the leader of the Greek forces at Troy?  
**AGAMEMNON**

15. Many people carry the title ‘doctor.’ Give the Latin for which the abbreviation M.D stands.  
**MEDICINAE DOCTOR**

B1 What Latin abbreviation would a doctor use for your prescription?  
**RX**

B2 Give the Latin and its English meaning for Rx.  
**RECIPE - TAKE**

16. What queen of Carthage fell madly in love with Aeneas after he and his men were shipwrecked on the African shore?  
**DIDO**

B1 What Roman messenger god was sent by Jupiter to command Aeneas to leave Carthage so that he might fulfill his destiny?  
**MERCURY**

B2 What goddess and mother of Aeneas was responsible for Dido’s falling in love with Aeneas in the first place?  
**VENUS**
17. Translate into English: Equus per agros currit.  
THE HORSE RUNS THROUGH THE FIELD.  
B1 Try this one: Elephantus liberorum ad Forum ambulat.  
THE CHILDREN’S ELEPHANT WALKS TO THE FORUM.  
B2 Now try this one: Vacca agricolae est stulta.  
THE FARMER’S COW IS STUPID.  

18. Give an antonym of sedeō.  
B1 Give an antonym of puella  
STÔ / SURGÔ  
B2 Give an antonym of terra.  
CAELUM  

19. What sorceress transformed the crew of Odysseus into pigs after they landed on her island of Aeaea?  
CIRCE  
B1 Who was the sister of Circe and queen of Crete who fell in love with a white bull?  
PASIPHAË  
B2 What clever craftsman designed the Labyrinth which housed the monstrous offspring that resulted from Pasiphaë’s bestial love?  
DAEDALUS  

20. Quis erat septimus rex Romanus?  
TARQUINIUS SUPERBUS  
B1 Name his predecessor.  
SERVIUS TULLIUS  
B2 Name his predecessor.  
TARQUINIUS PRISCUS
1. From what Latin noun do we derive the English adjective “bellicose”?  
   B1 From what Latin noun do we derive the English adjective “dominant”?  
   B2 From what Latin noun do we derive the English adjective “imperial”?  
   - BELLUM  
   - DOMINUS  
   - IMPERIUM  

2. Change the verb form *ambulō* to the imperfect tense.  
   B1 Change *AMBULABAM* to the third person.  
   B2 Change *AMBULABAT* to the future.  
   - AMBULABAM  
   - AMBULABAT  

3. What Campanian mercenaries appealed to Rome to expel Carthage from Messana?  
   B1 Who had hired the Mamertines to come to Sicily?  
   B2 What city did the Mamertines capture after deserting Syracuse?  
   - MAMERTINES  
   - SYRACUSE  
   - MESSANA  

4. What maiden did Hades carry off to make the queen of the Underworld and his wife?  
   B1 What Greek goddess of grain was Persephone’s mother?  
   B2 In what Greek town, the site of an ancient mystery cult, were Persephone and Demeter reunited?  
   - PERSEPHONE  
   - DEMETER  
   - ELEUSIS  

5. When teenagers do something extremely dumb, it has become commonplace to shout “YOLO” first. What Latin expression roughly conveys the same sense as the phase for which YOLO stands, “You Only Live Once?”  
   B1 Rappers are also fond of saying “YOLO.” What Latin phrase might be appropriate for the front of Snoop Dogg’s house?  
   B2 Assuming someone “YOLO’d,” as it were, and this was their last act, what Latin phrase would be usable after their death?  
   - CARPE DIEM  
   - CAVE CANEM  
   - POST MORTEM/DE MORTUĪS NIL NISI BONUM  
   (ACCEPT PRETTY MUCH ANY PHRASE RELATED TO DEATH)
6. Translate into English: Servi trans rivum vaccas ducunt.
   THE SLAVES ARE LEADING THE COWS ACROSS THE RIVER.
   B1 Translate into English: Liberi in agro sedent.
   THE CHILDREN ARE SITTING IN THE FIELD.
   B2 Translate into English: Habitatis in oppido.
   YOU ALL LIVE IN THE/A CITY.

7. What unfortunate hunter caught sight of Artemis bathing in the woods and was transformed
   into a stag which his very own hounds promptly devoured?
   B1 In a similar story, the goddess Athena blinded what Theban prophet for stumbling upon
   her naked as she was bathing?
   B2 Evidently, the Olympian goddesses were very swift in avenging themselves against those
   unfortunate enough to get in their way. What overly talkative nymph did Hera punish by
   taking away her voice, allowing her only to repeat the final words of those around her?

8. Give an antonym of falsus.
   B1 Give an antonym of dexter.
   B2 Give an antonym of iratus.

9. What pair of star-crossed Babylonian lovers were the originators of the Romeo and Juliet
   story?
   B1 What musician and his wife also share a tragic love story, after she was fatally bitten by a
   snake?
   B2 Thankfully, not all couples in Greco-Roman mythology had sad endings. What pious old
   couple was happily transformed into a linden and oak tree at the time of their deaths?

10. Who was made dictator in 458 BC to rescue the army trapped at Mt. Algidus?
    B1 How long did it take Cincinnatus to accomplish his mission?
    B2 What tribe had trapped the Roman forces at Mt. Algidus?
11. What foolish titan, whose name means “afterthought,” disobeyed his wiser brother’s instructions and accepted Pandora as a gift from Zeus.  
   **EPIMETHEUS**

   **B1** Prometheus, Epimetheus’ brother, had committed what crime which inspired Zeus to take revenge against him and against mankind?  
   **STOLE FIRE AND GAVE IT TO MAN**

   **B2** What son of Prometheus and daughter of Epimetheus survived the great flood created by Zeus and repopulated the earth with their offspring?  
   **DEUCALION AND PYRRHA**

12. Change the phrase *poëta nōtus* to the plural.  
   **POÉTAE NŌTĪ**

   **B1** Change *poëta nōtus* to the dative.  
   **POÉTAE NŌTŌ**

   **B2** Change the plural forms *poētae nōtī* to the accusative.  
   **POĒTĀS NŌTŌS**

13. **Quid Anglicē significat:** bracchium?  
   **ARM**

   **B1** **Quid Anglicē significat:** regnum?  
   **KINGDOM**

   **B2** **Quid Anglicē significat:** verbum?  
   **WORD**

14. Translate the following sentence into Latin: The friends were drinking wine?  
   **AMĪCI VĪNUM BĪBĒBANT**

   **B1** Say in Latin: The boys were running through the streets?  
   **PUERĪ PER VIĀS CURRĒBANT**

   **B2** Say in Latin: Mother used to tell many stories.  
   **MĀTER MULTAS FĀBULĀS NĀRRĀBAT**

15. What Roman treacherously led foreign troops against Rome in 491 BC?  
   **CORIOLANUS**

   **B1** Who persuaded Coriolanus to turn back his attack of Rome?  
   **VETURIA (MOTHER) & VOLUMNIA (WIFE)**

   **B2** What tribe was Coriolanus leading against Rome?  
   **VOLSCI**

16. Give the present plural imperative for the verb *teneo, tenēre*.  
   **TENETE**

   **B1** Give the present singular imperative for the verb *doceo, docēre*.  
   **DOCE**

   **B2** Say in Latin, “Sempronia, fear the dog!”
17. What naval battle of 260 BC was Rome's first major naval victory?  
   B1 What battle in 241 BC ended the First Punic War?  
   B2 What battle of 202 BC ended the Second Punic War?  
   MYLAE  
   AEGATES ISLANDS  
   ZAMA

18. What goddess of discord intentionally caused dissension among three other goddesses by throwing a golden apple inscribed with the words “For the fairest” in their midst?  
   B1 At whose wedding did this disastrous event occur?  
   B2 What three Greek goddesses vied with each other for this apple?  
   ERIS  
   PELEUS AND THETIS  
   HERA, ATHENA, APHRODITE

19. What toga, whitened with chalk, was worn by a candidate running for office?  
   B1 What toga was worn by a victorious general in his triumphal procession?  
   B2 What toga was worn by the average citizen?  
   TOGA CANDIDA/TOGA SPLENDENS  
   TOGA PICTA  
   TOGA VIRILIS/TOGA LIBERA/TOGA PURA

20. Translate into English: Cur Romulus cum Remo pugnat?  
   B1 Translate into English: Celabimus pecuniam in campo?  
   B2 Translate into English: Mea amica amat iocos.  
   WHY IS ROMULUS FIGHTING WITH REMUS?  
   We will hide the money in the field?  
   MY FRIEND LOVES JOKES
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1. Translate into Latin: Don’t sing!

   B1 Say in Latin: don’t shout!
   B2 Say in Latin: Lead me to the forest!

   NŌLĪ CANTĀRE / CANERE

   NŌLĪTE CLĀMĀRE

   DŪC MĒ AD SILVAM!

2. The islands of Cythera and Cyprus were sacred to what Greek goddess of love?

   B1 What crippled Greek god was the wife of Aphrodite?
   B2 What Greek god of war did Hephaestus catch committing adultery with Aphrodite?

   APHRODITE

   HEPHAESTUS

   ARES

3. Quid Anglicē significat: ēheu?

   B1 Quid Anglicē significat: ecce?
   B2 Quid Anglicē significat: minimē?

   ALAS! / OH DEAR! / OH NO!

   LOOK! / BEHOLD!

   NŌ!

4. What titaness was constantly denied any land in which she might give birth to her twin children, conceived by Zeus?

   B1 What mortal woman insulted Leto and consequently had her fourteen sons and daughters slain by Apollo and Diana?
   B2 After this unfortunate incident, Niobe was transformed into what?

   LETO

   NIOBE

   WEEPING ROCK

5. What was the final battle of the First Punic War?

   B1 In what year did the battle of the Aegates Islands take place?
   B2 Who was the victorious Roman admiral at the battle of the Aegates Islands?

   AEGATES ISLANDS

   241 BC(E)

   LUTATIUS CATULUS
6. What monster did Heracles defeat for the first of his twelve labors, henceforth wearing its hide as a cloak?  
   NEMEAN LION

   B1 For what cowardly cousin was Heracles forced to perform these labors?  
   EURYSTHEUS

   B2 Eurystheus sent Heracles to capture what animal that was sacred to Artemis, hoping that the hero would incur her divine wrath in the process?  
   CERYNEIAN HIND

7. Complete this analogy: laudō : laudabimus :: moneō : _____.
   MONEBIMUS

   B1 …: laudō : laudabimus :: sum : ____.
   ERIMUS

   B2 …: laudō : laudabamus :: videō : ____.
   VIDEBAMUS

8. Give a synonym of proelium.
   B1 Give a synonym of imperium.  
   B2 Give a synonym of amicus.

8. Give a synonym of proelium.
   B1 Give a synonym of imperium.  
   B2 Give a synonym of amicus.

   BELLUM

   REGNUM, POTESTAS, etc.

   SOCIOUS

   THE BOYS SIT/ARE SITTING IN THE FIELDS WITH THE GIRLS

   B1 Translate into English: Horatius multas epistulas scribit.
   HORATIUS WRITES/IS WRITING MANY LETTERS.

   B2 Translate into English: Julius dominum ignavum gladiō necabit.
   JULIUS WILL KILL THE LAZY MASTER WITH A SWORD.

10. What wicked king ordered Romulus and Remus to be thrown into the Tiber?  
    AMULIUS

    B1 What shepherd of the royal flock found the twins suckling at the teats of a she-wolf?  
    FAUSTULUS

    B2 Who was the mother of Romulus and Remus?  
    RHEA SILVIA

11. Give the 2nd person singular present active of the verb sum, esse.
    ES

    B1 Now make es imperfect.

    B2 Now change eratis to the future tense.
12. Where did Hannibal surprise and destroy a Roman army in 217 BC?
   B1 What Roman consul was killed at Lake Trasimene in 217 BC?
   (GAIUS) FLAMINIUS
   B2 Who was appointed dictator after the later defeat at Cannae?
   (QUINTUS) FABIUS MAXIMUS

13. What Trojan princess scorned the love of Apollo who had bestowed upon her a gift which he later turned into a curse?
   CASSANDRA
   B1 What was this gift of Apollo?
   PROPHETIC POWERS
   B2 What aspect of this gift did Apollo turn into a curse?
   NOBODY WOULD BELIEVE CASSANDRA

14. Give the Latin equivalent for “breakfast.”
   B1 Give the Latin equivalent for “lunch.”
   PRANDIUM
   B2 Give the Latin equivalent for “dinner.”
   CĒNA

15. Translate into English: **Magistra discipulis picturas monstrat.**
    THE TEACHER SHOWS THE PICTURES TO THE/HER STUDENTS.
    B1 Try this one: **Femina liberis librum novum dabat.**
    THE WOMAN WAS GIVING/GAVE A NEW BOOK TO THE CHILDREN.
    B2 Now try this one: **Scipio filio filiaeque Circum Maximum monstrabit.**
    SCIPIO WILL SHOW THE CIRCUS MAXIMUS TO HIS SON AND DAUGHTER.

16. From what Latin verb with what meaning is “audience” derived?
    AUDIO, (AUDIRE) – TO HEAR
    B1 From what Latin verb with what meaning is “amateur” derived?
    AMO (AMARE) — TO LOVE
    B2 From what Latin verb with what meaning is “ambulance” derived?
    AMBULO (AMBULARE) – to walk

17. Consider the sentence: **Quīntus et Lūcius sunt amīcī.** What case and use is the word amīcī?
    PREDICATE
    NOMINATIVE
B1 Consider the sentence: **Quīntus et Lūcius ē vīllā festīnābant.** What use of the ablative case can be found in that sentence?

**PLACE FROM WHICH**

B2 What use of the ablative case can be found in the sentence: **Quīntus in hortō sedet**?

**PLACE WHERE**

18. What king of Rome is said to have built the Regia and was rumored to have secret meetings with a goddess?

**NUMA POMPILIUS**

B1 What was the name of Numa Pompilius’ consort?

**EGERIA**

B2 Whose seat of authority was located at the Regia?

**PONTIFEX MAXIMUS**

19. What keeper of the winds was bribed by Juno to destroy Aeneas’ ships?

**AEOLUS**

B1 Among the reasons for Juno’s grudge against Aeneas and the Trojans was Jupiter’s love for what Trojan prince?

**GANYMEDE**

B2 During the storm, Aeneas cries out to the heavens and expresses his regret that what Greek warrior, to whom Minerva had granted the power to distinguish between god and man, had not killed Aeneas at Troy?

**DIOMEDES**

20. As many are aware, Harvard and Yale are rivals. What is the Latin motto of Yale?

**LUX ET VERITAS**

B1 What is Harvard’s Latin motto?

**VERITAS**

B2 What is the meaning of **Lux et Veritas**?

**LIGHT AND TRUTH**
1. How many tables of law did the decemviri compose?  
   TWELVE
   B1 What man was the leader of the decemviri?  
   APPIUS CLAUDIUS
   B2 What was the name of the woman whom Appius Claudius defiled?  
   VERGINIA

2. Change the verb audient to the present.  
   AUDIUNT
   B1 Leaving all else the same, make audient singular and imperfect.  
   AUDIEBAT
   B2 Leaving all else the same, change audiebat to the 1st person and future.  
   AUDIAM

3. Hyperion, Themis, Mnemosyne, Cronus and Rhea were all members of what early mythological group?  
   (THE) TITANS
   B1 What musical group of nine women were the children of Zeus and Mnemosyne?  
   (THE) MUSES
   B2 What group of three women representing justice, peace, and the order of law were said by Hesiod to be the children of Zeus and Themis?  
   SEASONS / HORAE / HORAI

4. What was the name of the dividing fence or wall which stretched across the middle of the circus?  
   SPĪNA
   B3 In a Roman circus, what were the mētae?  
   GOALPOSTS/TURNING POINTS
   B4 In a Roman circus, what were the carcerēs?  
   STARTING GATES

5. Supply the correct form of bonus to agree with the noun form regis.  
   BONI
   B3 Change regis boni to the plural.  
   REGUM BONORUM
   B4 Change regum bonorum to the dative.  
   REGIBUS BONIS

6. “Credible” and “credence” are both derived from what Latin verb?
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CREDO (CREDERE)
B5 “Section” and “dissect” are both derived from what Latin verb?

SECO (SECARE)
B6 “Station” and “stagnant” are both derived from what Latin verb?

STO (STARE)

7. Translate into English: Puer ad urbem sine patre ambulavit.
THE BOY WALKED TO THE CITY WITHOUT HIS FATHER.

B1 Translate into English: Cornelia magno cum dolore gladiatores spectabat.
CORNELIA WAS WATCHING THE GLADIATORS WITH GREAT SADNESS.

B2 Translate into English: Marius lupos clamoribus terre.
MARCUS SCARES THE WOLVES WITH SHOUTS.

8. What small fortress and supply base near the Aufidus River served as a battle site in 216 BC and was a historically devastating loss for the Romans?

Cannae

B1 and B2 For five points each, name the consuls who were killed at Cannae?

Paullus and Varro

9. What goddess of the moon fell in love with a handsome Aeolian mortal, a shepherd, a hunter, or a king according to various myths?

Selene

B5 Who was this Aeolian mortal with whom Selene was so enamored?

Endymion

B6 At Selene’s request, Zeus bestowed what gift upon Endymion?

Eternal Sleep

10. C.E. is an abbreviation for the English phrase ‘Common Era.’ What Latin abbreviation often serves as an equivalent?

A.D.

B1 Give the Latin for A.D.

Anno Domini

B2 What is the Latin for which the abbreviation P.M. stands?

Post Merideim

11. On what island was Odysseus detained for seven years by a beautiful nymph who selfishly prevented him from returning to Ithaca?

Ogygia

B1 What faithful dog of Odysseus stays alive long enough to greet his master with the wagging of his tail upon Odysseus’ return?

Argus

B2 What loyal swineherd of Odysseus assists Odysseus in expelling the suitors from the palace and restoring Odysseus to his rightful place?

Eumaeus
12. Please translate into Latin: The mother gave money to her son.

**MĀTER PECŬNIAM FĬLIŎ (SUŎ) DEDIT / DŎBAT**

B3 Say in Latin: The angry gladiators will fight.

**GLADIŎTŎRĒS ĪRĀTİ PUGNĀBUNT**

B4 Say in Latin: The boys work well.

**PUERI BENE LABORANT.**

13. Which of the following, if any, does NOT belong because of meaning: bōs, vacca, mūrus, taurus?

B7 … : nūbēs, caelum, pōns, stēlla?

**MŪRŪS**

B8 … : cēra, aurum, argentum, ferrum?

**CĒRA**

14. What exemplary Roman hero shoved his hand into fire to convince Lars Porsenna of Roman resolve?

**(GAIUS) MUCIUS**

B1 What nickname did Gaius Mucius receive after burning his hand?

**SCAEVOLA**

B2 What does Scaevola mean?

**LEFTY**

15. Whose ghost appeared to Aeneas in a dream, commanding him to escape the destruction of Troy?

**HECTOR’S**

B3 What elderly father of Aeneas initially refuses to flee the city, arguing that he has lived and suffered long enough?

**ANCHISES**

B4 Whose head bursts into flames that cause no harm, partially convincing Anchises that it is the gods’ will that he flee?

**ASCANIUS’/IULUS’**

16. What case is governed by the Latin preposition “trans?”

**ACCUSATIVE**

B5 What two cases are governed by the Latin preposition “sub?”

**ACCUSATIVE AND ABLATIVE**

B6 What case is governed by the Latin preposition “circum?”

**ACCUSATIVE**

17. **Quid Anglicē significat: gravis?**

**HEAVY / SERIOUS / GRAVE**
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B1 Quid Anglicē significat: dulcis?  
SWEET

B2 Quid Anglicē significat: scelestus?  
WICKED

18. What monster, comprised of the body parts of three animals, did Bellerophon kill.  
THE CHIMERA

B3 What king gave Bellerophon this task in hopes of killing him?  
IOBATES

B4 What three animals make up the chimera?  
GOAT, LION, SNAKE

19. Translate into English: Canisne felem amat?  
DOES THE DOG LOVE THE CAT?

B1 Translate into English: feles canem amabit.  
THE CAT WILL LOVE THE DOG?

B2 Translate into English? Piscisne feles timet?  
DOES THE FISH FEAR THE CATS?

20. By the order in which they died, name the members of the First Triumvirate  
CRASSUS, POMPEY, CAESAR

B1 At what battle did Crassus die?  
CARRHAE

B2 After what battle did Pompey flee to Egypt and suffer beheading?  
PHARSAULUS
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1. What evil stepmother of Greek mythology tried to engineer the death of her stepchildren, Phrixus and Helle?
   - INO

   B1 Who sent a golden ram to rescue Phrixus and Helle from being sacrificed?
   - NEPHELE

   B2 Although Helle fell off the back of the golden ram and drowned, Phrixus arrived safely in what kingdom rules by Aeetes?
   - COLCHIS

2. Please translate into Latin: We will work in the temple of the gods.
   - (NŌS) IN TEMPLŌ DEĪRUM LABŌRĀBIMUS

   B1 Say in Latin: I will see y’all in the house of the merchant?
   - (EGŌ) VŌS (OMNES) IN VĪLLĀ MERCĀTŌRIS VIDĒBŌ

   B2 Say in Latin: Why haven’t you written the letter, Publius?
   - CŪR EPISTULAM / LITTERĀS NON SCRĪPSISTĪ, PŪBLĪ?

3. **Quid Anglicē significat: numquam?**
   - NEVER

   B1 **Quid Anglicē significat: fortasse?**
   - PERHAPS / MAYBE

   B2 **Quid Anglicē significat: ergo?**
   - THEREFORE

4. What Carthaginian general did the Romans defeat at the battle of Metaurus River?
   - HASDRUBAL

   B1 In what year did the battle of Metaurus River take place?
   - 207 BC

   B2 What happened to Hasdrubal after his defeat at Metaurus River?
   - HE WAS BEHEADED (and his head was thrown into the Carthaginian camp)

5. What king of Oechalia taught Heracles archery and was murdered by the hero after cheating him out of the hand of his daughter in marriage?
   - EURYTUS

   B1 Who was this daughter of Eurytus who had been denied to Heracles?
   - IOLE

   B2 After Heracles’ death and deification, he married what cupbearer and goddess of youth?
   - HEBE
6. “Emergency,” “submersion,” “emergent,” and “immerse” are all derived from what Latin verb?
   **MERGO / MERGERE**

   B1 From what Latin noun with what meaning do we derive the English noun “magistrate”?
   **MAGISTER- TEACHER**

   B2 From what Latin noun with what meaning do we derive the English words “marinate” and “maritime?”
   **MARE – SEA / OCEAN**

7. Change the verb form dūcō to the future tense.
   **DŪCAM**

   B3 Change dūcam to the plural.
   **DŪCĒMUS**

   B4 Change dūcēmus to the perfect tense.
   **DŪXIMUS**

8. At what battle of 295 BC did the Romans defeat the Samnites?
   **SENTINUM**

   B3 What Roman general sacrificed himself to ensure Roman victory at Sentinum?
   **DECIUS MUS**

   B4 What was Decius Mus' act of self-sacrifice called?
   **DĒVOTIŌ**

9. In Homer’s *Iliad*, what old king of Pylos advised Agamemnon and Achilles to reconcile?
   **NESTOR**

   B1 What swift-footed son of Nestor was killed at Troy by Memnon?
   **ANTILOCHUS**

   B2 In Homer’s *Odyssey*, what Ithacan prince travels to Nestor’s kingdom in Pylos to inquire about his father’s fate?
   **TELEMACHUS**

10. In addition to its phenomenal undergraduate program, Yale also is known for its law school. Lawyers are required to do a certain amount work without pay each year. What is the Latin expression for these types of cases?
    **PRO BONŌ (PUBLICŌ)**

    B1 What does pro bonō publicō mean?
    FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD/WELFARE

    B2 When a lawyer presents evidence, he hopes that the jury will accept it at first sight. What Latin phrase means “at first glance”?
    **PRIMA FACIE**

11. Translate the following sentence into English, “Nolite timere mortem, mei disciuli.”
    DON’T FEAR DEATH, MY STUDENTS.
B1 Now translate this sentence, “Nonne frater bonas sorores amant?”
DOSEN’T THE BROTHER LOVE HIS GOOD SISTERS?
B2 Now translate this sentence into English, “Ubi in insula pirata praedam posuit?”
WHERE ON THE ISLAND HAS THE PIRATE PLACED HIS TREASURE?

12. What father of Polites, Troilus and Hector was the King of Troy during the Trojan War?

B1 Who was Priam’s wife?
B2 What Trojan prince managed to escape his burning city and wandered throughout the Mediterranean, making one famous top in Carthage, before eventually settling in Italy.

13. In terms of Roman life and culture, which of the following terms is unrelated to the rest: confarreatiō, āsus, coemption, mango?

B1 What is a mango?
B2 What is a flammeum?

THE SENATOR GIVES MONEY TO THE CONSULS.
B1 Translate into English: Heri servi dona feminarum portaverunt.
YESTERDAY THE SLAVES CARRIED THE GIFTS OF THE WOMEN.
B2 Translate into English: dux hostem vincet gladio.
THE GENERAL WILL COUNQUER HIS ENEMY WITH A SWORD.

15. What king of Epirus was hired by Tarentum to fight Rome in 280 BC?

B1 What was the kingdom of Pyrrhus?
B2 What city hired Archidamas of Sparta, Alexander of Epirus, Cleonymus of Sparta, and Agathocles of Syracuse as mercenaries between 343 and 289 BC?

16. What use of the dative case can be found in the following sentence: Dux militi gladio dat?
INDIRECT OBJECT
B1 …: of the ablative puerī ex agro cucurrērunt?
PLACE FROM WHICH
B2 …: frāter nōbīscum advēnit.
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17. Which of the following, if any, does NOT belong because of meaning: *gladius, exsilium, ferrum, ensis.*

EXSILIUM

B3 Which of the following, if any, does NOT belong because of meaning: *fēlēs, lepus, vacca, hortus?*

HORTUS

B4 Which of the following, if any, does NOT belong because of meaning: *ignāvus, stultus, lātus, malus?*

LĀTUS

18. What Calydonian king forgot to pay homage to Artemis, who sent a boar to ravage his kingdom as revenge?

OENEUS

B3 Who was Oeneus’ wife, who killed their son Meleager after he killed her brothers in a moment of rage?

ALTHAEA

B4 What daughter of Oeneus and Althaea married the hero Heracles?

DEINEIRA

19. Translate this alliterative sentence into English: *Piratae poetas prope pontem posuerunt.*

THE PIRATES PUT THE POETS NEAR THE BRIDGE.

B1 Now try this one: *Sed Scipio sapiens sub stellis sedebit.*

BUT WISE SCIPIO WILL SIT UNDER THE STARS.

B2 And last but not least: *Cicero circum Curiam cum Claudio currebat.*

CICERO WAS RUNNING AROUND THE SENATE-HOUSE WITH CLAUDIUS.

20. What river formed a 226 BC treaty boundary between Rome and Carthage?

EBRO RIVER

B1 What treaty was signed in 226 BC between Rome and Carthage?

EBRO RIVER TREATY

B2 What city north of the Ebro River did the Carthaginians in 220 BC, precipitating the Second Punic War?

SAGUNTUM