

## WJCL State Certamen 2018 Level I Finals

1. Pandarus, Teucer, Philoctetes, and Paris were all known for what ability, of which Apollo was the patron god?

ARCHERY/SHOOTING A BOW AND ARROW  
[ACCEPT REASONABLE EQUIVALENTS]

B1: Teucer was the half-brother of what other Greek, from behind whose shield he would dart to shoot arrows?

AJAX TELAMON/GREATER/SALAMIS

B2: What god fired two types of arrows, one which could cause love, the other which could spurn it?

EROS/CUPID

2. What emperor was the son of one of the Caesars in Diocletian's tetrarchy but eventually gained control of the entire empire after converting to Christianity and defeating his rival Maxentius in 312 A.D.?

CONSTANTINE I / THE GREAT

B1: At what battle did Constantine defeat Maxentius?

MILVIAN BRIDGE

B2: What decree did Constantine institute in 313 A.D. that legalized Christianity in the Roman Empire?

EDICT OF MILAN

3. Differentiate in meaning between **mēnsa** and **mēnsis**.

TABLE and MONTH

B1: Differentiate in meaning between **unda** and **unde**.

WAVE and FROM WHERE/WHENCE

B2: Differentiate in meaning between **sōl** and **sal**.

SUN and SALT

4. You are walking through the **Forum** when you see a sign reading "**Cavē canem!**" What is this sign telling you?

BEWARE THE DOG / WATCH OUT FOR A DOG

B1: You also see a stall advertising "**pomī, uvae, et piri.**" What kind of food does the stall sell?

FRUIT

B2: You also see a friend in the **Forum**, who says "**Quid agis?**" What is he asking you?

WHAT'S UP / HOW ARE YOU

5. Of the words **epistula**, **vinum**, **oculus**, and **umbra**, which is being described in the following sentence: **est pars corporis quā vidēs.**

**OCULUS**

B1: Which is being described in this sentence: **est rēs quae puerōs terret.**

**UMBRA**

B2: Which is being described in this sentence: **incipit “si valēs, valeō.”**

**EPISTULA**

6. Calpurnius Bestia, Postumius Albinus, and Caecilius Metellus all failed to defeat what Numidian chieftain, probably because they were bribed by him to lose battles?

**JUGURTHA**

B1: What famous Roman, a **novus homo** from Arpinum, finally subjugated Jugurtha?

**MARIUS**

B2: What man, Jugurtha’s father-in-law, betrayed Jugurtha to Marius?

**BOCCHUS**

7. What Lydian queen bought Heracles as a slave, forcing him to fight the Cercopes and spin wool at a loom?

**OMPHALE**

B1: Before his death, Omphale had been married to what king, who judged the musical contest between Apollo and Pan?

**TMOLUS**

B2: For how long was Heracles forced to serve Omphale?

**THREE (LONG) YEARS**

8. Listen carefully to the following passage, which I will read twice, then answer in English the question that follows.

**Civitas bellum sine causā bonā aut propter iram gerere nōn dēbet. Sī fortūnās et agrōs vītāsque populī nostrī sine bellō dēfendere poterimus, tum pācem cōservāre dēbēbimus; sī, autem, nōn poterimus esse salvī et servāre pātriam libertātemque nostram sine bellō, bellum erit necessārium. Semper dēbēmus dēmōnstrāre, tamen, magnum officium in bellō, et magnam clēmentiam post victōriam.**

The question: What ought one demonstrate after victory?

**(GREAT) MERCY / CLEMENCY**

B1&B2: For five points each, name two times when is it necessary to wage war?

**IF IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE (1) TO BE SAFE, (2) TO SAVE THE FATHERLAND, OR (3) TO CONSERVE FREEDOM WITHOUT WAR**

9. Make the phrase **“tres pulchrae feminae”** dative plural.

**TRIBUS PULCHRĪS FEMINĪS**

B1: Make that phrase genitive.

**TRIUM PULCHRĀRUM FEMINĀRUM**

B2: Now make the phrase “**duae celerēs navēs**” dative plural.

**DUĀBUS CELERIBUS NAVIBUS**

10. What woman betrayed the Romans by allowing the Sabines to enter the city and take the Capitoline citadel in exchange for what they wore on their arms?

TARPEIA

B1: How did this request end up backfiring for Tarpeia?

SHE EXPECTED THEIR GOLD BRACELETS, BUT THE SOLDIERS  
CRUSHED HER TO DEATH WITH THE SHIELDS THEY HELD

B2: What location bore her name and became the location where traitors would be executed?

TARPEIAN ROCK

11. In the *Aeneid*, what king of the Rutulians slew Pallas and stole his belt, but was eventually killed by Aeneas in single combat?

TURNUS

B1: What king of Pallanteum was the father of Pallas?

EVANDER

B2: What queen of the Volscians fought on Turnus' side but was killed by Arruns in Book 12?

CAMILLA

12. Translate the following line from Publilius Syrus into English: **Numquam periculum sine periculō vincēmus.**

WE WILL NEVER CONQUER DANGER WITHOUT DANGER

B1: Translate the following line from Seneca into English: **Hominēs, dum docent, discunt.**

MEN LEARN WHILE THEY TEACH

B2: Translate the following line from Horace into English: **Nihil sine magnō labōre vīta mortālibus dat.**

LIFE GIVES NOTHING TO MORTALS WITHOUT GREAT EFFORT

13. Which of the following nouns does not belong, due to meaning: **vīs, caput, oculus, pēs?**

**VĪS**

B1: What does the Latin noun **vīs** mean?

FORCE/POWER/STRENGTH/ABILITY/VIOLENCE

B2: Which of the following verbs does not belong, due to meaning: **custodiō, servō, defendō, colō**?

**COLŌ**

14. What occupation in ancient Rome was a **pistor**?

**BAKER**

B1: What occupation in ancient Rome was a **tonsor**?

**BARBER**

B2: What occupation in ancient Rome was an **ornatrix**?

**HAIRDRESSER**

15. When her husband was drowned on the way to Delphi, what woman grieved so deeply that the gods turned them both into kingfishers?

**ALCYONE**

B1: What was the name of her husband, the son of Eosphorus?

**CEYX**

B2: According to other stories, the two were turned into kingfishers as punishment for what crime?

**(IMPIOUSLY/VAINLY) CALLED THEMSELVES ZEUS AND HERA**

16. When you are recognized by the spotter, please perform the following command: **Surge et cantā Anglicē: “Fēlicem Diem Natalem Tibi.”**

**STUDENT SHOULD STAND AND SING IN ENGLISH “HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU”**

B1: Now perform this command: **Duo surgite et cantāte Anglicē: “Parvus Agnus Mariae Erat.”**

**TWO STUDENTS SHOULD STAND AND SING IN ENGLISH “MARY HAD A LITTLE LAMB”**

B2: Now perform this command: **Surgite et cantāte Anglicē: “Es Noster Hospes.”**

**MULTIPLE STUDENTS SHOULD STAND AND SING IN ENGLISH “BE OUR GUEST” [FROM BEAUTY AND THE BEAST]**

17. Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **P.S.**.

**POST SCRIPTUM, WRITTEN AFTER**

B1: Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **Q.E.D.**.

**QUOD ERAT DEMONSTRANDUM, THAT WHICH WAS TO BE SHOWN**

B2: Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation **N.B.**.

**NOTA BENE, NOTE WELL/PAY ATTENTION**

18. What two uses of the ablative case are found in the following sentence: **Decimus cum servīs et canibus Sextum in hortō et agrīs petit.**

ACCOMPANIMENT and PLACE WHERE

B1: Now translate that sentence into English.

DECIMUS SEEKS / LOOKS FOR SEXTUS IN THE GARDEN  
AND FIELDS WITH SLAVES AND DOGS

B2: What use of the ablative case is found in this sentence: **meīs labōribus rem pūblicam servavī.**

MEANS

19. What inhabitants of Anthemoessa lured Butes and many others towards their island with their beautiful song?

SIRENS

B1: What goddess rescued Butes and bore him to safety, having the son Eryx by him?

APHRODITE

B2: Another story records that Hera tricked the Sirens into a competition with what daughters of Zeus and Mnemosyne, who won and made crowns for themselves out of Siren feathers?

MUSES

20. What king waged war against Rome when the Tarentines appealed him for help and was the first to use elephants in war against the Romans?

PYRRHUS

B1&B2: For five points each, name each of Pyrrhus' so-called "Pyrrhic victories," where he won but at too great of a cost to eventually win the war.

HERACLEA AND ASCULUM

## WJCL State Certamen 2018 Level I Finals - Extras

### Myth:

1. What blind king of Salmydessus was punished for revealing too much of the future by being endlessly tormented by the Harpies?

PHINEUS

B1: What winged twin sons of Boreas drove the Harpies away to the Strophades Islands?

ZETES and CALAIS

B2: Phineus rewarded the Argonauts by telling them how to sail through what dangerous obstacle?

CLASHING ROCKS

2. What woman lay with Minos, receiving the hound Laelaps and an unerring spear, but later found herself on the wrong end of the latter when she was caught snooping?

PROCRIS

B1: What husband of Procris accidentally killed her, thinking she was a wild animal?

CEPHALUS

B2: Another Cephalus was beloved by what goddess, whose most famous mortal love was Tithonus?

AURORA/EOS

### History:

1. What emperor blamed and executed the Christians for the fire in Rome in 64 A.D. and built his *Domus Aurea* on the ashes of the burned buildings?

NERO

B1: What heir and stepson of Claudius did Nero possibly murder?

BRITANNICUS

B2: Who was Nero's mother, whom he eventually killed?

AGRIPPINA THE YOUNGER

2. What battle in 260 B.C. was Rome's first ever naval victory and was accomplished through the use of hooked gangplanks called *corvi*?

(BATTLE OF) MYLAE

B1: What Spartan mercenary did Carthage hire in order to turn the tide of the war, which he temporarily did by winning the Battle of Bagradas Valley?

XANTHIPPIUS

B2: What huge naval battle in 241 B.C. ended the First Punic War?

(BATTLE OF) AEGATES ISLANDS

### Grammar:

1. *Quid Anglicē significat: cornū?*

HORN

B1: *Quid Anglicē significat: iūs?*

LAW/RIGHT

B2: *Quid Anglicē significat: vēr?*

SPRING

2. From what Latin verb, with what meaning, are “interesting,” “absent,” and “essential” derived?

**SUM (ESSE), TO BE**

B1: From what Latin verb, with what meaning, are “exist,” “armistice,” and “rest” derived?

**STO, TO STAND**

B2: From what Latin verb, with what meaning, are “prohibit” and “enable” derived?

**HABEO, TO HAVE**

3. Translate the following sentence from English to Latin: He always gives my daughters roses.

**SEMPER ROSĀS MEĪS FILIĀBUS DAT**

B1: Now translate this sentence from English to Latin: Why are we going to the Forum today?

**CUR ĪMUS AD FORUM HODIĒ?**

B2: Now translate this sentence from English to Latin: How many gladiators will we see in the Forum?

**QUOT GLADIATORĒS VIDĒBIMUS IN FORŌ?**

## **WJCL State Certamen 2018 Level I Finals - Tiebreak I**

1. What does the adjective **candidus** mean?

**WHITE/SHINING WHITE**

2. What woman served as Oedipus’ guide to Colonus and was later buried alive along with her lover Haemon?

**ANTIGONE**

3. What was the name for the act of calling out the name of a recently deceased person three times?

**CONCLAMATIO**

4. What derivative of the verb **iacio** means “sad or depressed; dispirited?”

DEJECTED

5. Give the case and use of the first noun in the following sentence: **mihi quattuor filiī sunt.**

DATIVE, DATIVE OF POSSESSION

## WJCL State Certamen 2018 Level I Finals - Tiebreak II

1. Translate the following sentence from Latin to English: **Cur mihi quoque necesse est ad urbem redire?**

WHY IS IT NECESSARY FOR ME TOO / ALSO TO RETURN TO THE CITY

2. Complete the following analogy: **porto** is to **portabo** as **duco** is to “blank”?

DUCAM

3. At what battle in 31 B.C. did the forces of Octavian defeat Marc Antony and Cleopatra, leading to the eventual consolidation of power by Octavian in Rome?

(BATTLE OF) ACTIUM

4. What organization has the motto **semper fidelis**?

MARINES

5. What man cheated death twice, once by convincing his wife not to conduct the right rites, another by chaining up death himself?

SISYPHUS