

**2019 NJCL
LATIN ORATORY
Advanced Level**

Calgacus Addresses His People in Anticipation of a Roman Invasion

"Quotiēns causās bellī et necessitātem nostram intueor, magnus mihi animus est hodiernum diem cōnsēsumque vestrum initium lībertātis tōtī Britanniae fore: nam et ūniversī coistis et servitūtis expertēs, et nūllae ultrā terrae ac nē mare quidem sēcūrum imminente nōbīs classe Rōmānā. ... Nunc terminus Britanniae patet, atque omne ignōtum prō magnificō est; sed nūlla iam ultrā gēns, nihil nisi fluctūs ac saxa, et īfestiōrēs Rōmānī, quōrum superbiam frūstrā per obsequium ac modestiam effugiās."

Tacitus, *Agricola*, 30 (abridged)

"As often as I survey the causes of this war and our current problems, I have a great spirit that today and your agreement will be the beginning of freedom for all of Britain: for you have come together and free from slavery, and no lands beyond, not even the sea, will be free while the Roman fleet threatens us. ... Now the uttermost parts of Britain lie exposed, and everything unknown seems great; but there is now no nation beyond us, nothing except waves and rocks, and the more hostile Romans, whose haughtiness you may flee in vain through obedience and self-restraint."