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LEVEL THREE

ROUND 1

**Toss-Up #1:** What tense of the subjunctive is used for the hortatory constructions?

**Present**

**Bonus:** What tense of the subjunctive is used for the past contrary to fact constructions?

**Pluperfect**

**Toss-Up #2.** What philosophy teaches that self-control, fortitude, and detachment from distracting emotions allow one to become a clear thinker?

**Stoicism**

**Bonus.** Which emperor of Rome, who reigned jointly with Verus, was a proponent of stoicism?

**Marcus Aurelius**

**Toss-Up #3:** What type of accusative is found in the following sentence? *Canis duas menses dormiebat.*

**Extent of time**

**Bonus:** What type of accusative is found in this sentence? *Puer dixit corpus sepultum esse.*

**Subject of infinitive(indirect statement)**

**Toss-Up #4:** Lately, in the news, all we've been hearing about are Democratic and Republican primaries. Many have suggested that a victory for Senator Clinton would actually just be a third term for her husband Bill. But Bill would have a hard time competing with which Roman general, who was consul seven times?

**Marius**

**Bonus:** Our own history has shown us that the relatives of politicians often follow in their footsteps, as our current president followed his father. Who was Marius's nephew, who also became consul?

**Julius Caesar**

**Toss-Up #5:** Please give the use of the dative case in the following sentence: *Mihi est consilium.*

**Possession**

**Bonus:** Give an idiomatic translation of the sentence from the toss-up.

**I have a plan/advice.**

**Toss Up #6.** Who was the muse of comedy?

**Thalia**

**Bonus.** Who was the muse of dance?

**Terpsichore**

**Toss-Up #7** Complete the analogy: *illius* is to *illi* as *huius* is to \_\_\_\_.

**huic**

**Bonus:** Complete the analogy: *laetus* is to *laetior* as *laete* is to \_\_\_\_.

**laetius**

**Toss-Up #8:** What two parts of speech is a participle?

**verb and adjective**

**Bonus:** What two parts of speech is an infinitive?

**noun and verb**

**Toss-Up #9:** Let's continue with the political theme of the previous history question. In political campaigns, labor unions are often powerful forces whose endorsements are sought by numerous hopeful candidates. In ancient Rome, most difficult labor was done by slaves, who did not have the backing of powerful unions. They only had one method of protest: a revolt. Which Thracian slave led the largest slave revolt in Roman history, a force of at least 70,000?

**Spartacus**

**Bonus:** Politicians today negotiate with labor unions for an outcome beneficial for everyone. The Romans employed a different strategy. Which Roman general was mainly responsible for the defeat of Spartacus's army? He also ordered the crucifixion of 6,000 slaves along the Via Appia.

**Crassus do not accept Pompey**

**Toss-Up #10.** Of the following, which author is most well known for his comedies: Catullus, Plautus, Martial?

**Plautus**

**Bonus:** What is Martial known for?

**Epigrams**

**Toss-Up #11:** What degree would be used to indicate that something is very short?

**superlative**

**Bonus:** Say in Latin, "the swords are very short."

**gladii brevissimi sunt**

**Toss-Up #12:** In Latin, ask me if I am allowed to drink wine.

**Licetne tibi vinum bibere?**

**Bonus:** Translate into Latin: "Does driving please you?"

**(Placetne, libetne) tibi agere [vehiculum]?**

**Toss-Up #13.** Where was the famous oracle dedicated to Apollo?

**Delphi**

**Bonus.** The oracle was located on the slopes of what mountain?

**Mount Parnassus**

**Toss-Up #14:** During President Kennedy's term, there were numerous rumors about Marilyn Monroe, and during the term of President Clinton, we heard a lot about Monica Lewinski. Who was the ruler of Egypt, who captured the attentions of both Julius Caesar and Marc Antony?  
**Cleopatra**

**Bonus:** The Roman people did not appreciate foreign queens distracting their leaders, and Cleopatra was not welcomed in their city. This made her future plans for her son with Caesar seem less and less likely. Who was this boy, who suffered an unfortunate fate at the hands of Octavian?  
**Caesarion**

**Toss-Up # 15:** There are many ways to express purpose in Latin prose. Give one correct way to translate “to see” in this sentence: “I came to see Caesar”  
**Ut viderem OR ad videndum OR causa/gratia videndi OR visum**

**Bonus:** Give another acceptable way.

**See above**

**Toss-Up #16:** What daughters of Atlas were assigned to guard the Golden Apples?  
**Hesperides**

**Bonus:** To what group of the daughters of Atlas did Maia, mother of Hermes, belong?  
**Pleiades**

**Toss-Up #17.** Name the priestess who resided in a cave near the Greek city of Naples.  
**Cumaen Sibyl**

**Bonus.** To whom did she give the Sybilline books?

**Tarquinius Superbus**

**Toss-Up #18** In America, there are Republicans and Democrats. In Rome, they didn't really have such organized political parties, but there were names used to divide various political groups. Name these two groups:  
**Optimates and Populares**

**Bonus:** With which group is Marius associated? What about Sulla?

**Marius – Populares**

**Sulla – Optimates**

**Toss-Up #19:** Since this is a TJ certamen, a science question is necessary. Give the Latin name and English translation of the abbreviation Fe from the periodic table:

**Ferrum, Iron.**

**Bonus 1:** Give the Latin and English for Na.

**Natrium, Sodium.**

**Toss-Up #20:** Welcome to the Bibliotheca Romana. What book would be known in Latin as *Necare Avem Ridentem*?

**To Kill a Mockingbird**

**Bonus:** What Agatha Christie book would be known as *Et Deinde Erant Nulli*?

**And Then There Were None**

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ROUND 2

**Toss-Up #1:** In troubled times like these, we need a strong president who knows what to do. Perhaps we should follow the Roman example, and convince an ex-politician to leave his farm and defend the country. Who was the Roman farmer who left his plough to help defend his people?  
**Cincinnatus**

**Bonus:** We do have an American example from long ago—what president is known as the American Cincinnatus?

**George Washington**

**Toss-Up #2:** Responde Latine: Quod erat praenomen Caesaris?

**Gaius**

**Bonus:** Responde Latine: Quid dixit Caesar, cum Rubiconem transisset?

**Alea iacta est**

**Toss-Up #3:** What case do the adjectives peritus, cupidus, and plenus take?

**Genitive**

**Bonus:** Define two of these adjectives.

**plenus=full (of)  
cupidus=desirous (of)  
peritus=skilled (at)**

**Toss Up #4.** This group of daughters were told to kill their husbands on their wedding nights; ninety-eight percent of daughters did. Who were these daughters?

**Danaids**

**Bonus.** How many daughters killed their husbands?

**49**

**Toss-Up# 5.** Roman authors, in particular Vergil, were influenced by what author of the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey*?

**Homer**

**BONUS.** What early 20<sup>th</sup> century Irish author wrote *Ulysses*, the story of the *Odyssey* set in modern Dublin?

**James Joyce**

**Toss-Up #6:** Give two translations for *Romae*.

**Any two from (“of Rome” or “for Rome” or “in/at Rome”)**

**Bonus:** give another

**see above**

**Toss-Up #7** Translate the word “better” in the sentence, “This certamen is better than that certamen.”

**melius**

**Bonus:** In the same sentence, translate “than that certamen.”

**(either “quam illud certamen” or “illo certamine”)**

**Toss-Up #8:** The Maenads followed this god. Who was he?

**Dionysus (Bacchus)**

**Bonus.** The Maenads tore up this cousin of Dionysus, who didn't believe in Dionysus's divinity.

**Pentheus**

**Toss-Up #9:** An alternate solution to our political situation would be a triumvirate between three powerful and influential individuals: Britney Spears, Oprah Winfrey, and Hugh Laurey, following the Roman example. Who were the members of the first triumvirate?

**Julius Caesar, Pompey, Crassus**

**Bonus:** Who were the members of the second triumvirate?

**Octavian, Antony, Lepidus**

**Toss-Up #10.** A "sponsalia" was a ceremony announcing what event?

**Engagement**

**Bonus.** Responde Latine: What was the Roman equivalent of the Matron of Honor?

**Pronuba**

**Toss-Up # 11** Differentiate in meaning between *opus* and *onus*.

**opus means work or achievement, and onus means burden or load**

**Bonus:** Differentiate in meaning between *cēdo* and *caedo*.

**cēdo means yield or move, and caedo means cut or kill**

**Toss-Up #12:** What use of *quam* is found in the following sentence? *Advenite domum quam primum.*

**quam with a superlative to say "as \_\_\_ as possible"**

**Bonus:** What use of *quam* is found in the following sentence? *Quam arborem ascendit?*

**interrogative adjective**

**Toss-Up #13:** Sadly, the triumvirate plan is not a viable option, as Hugh Laurey is in fact British. So, yet another idea to free us off our numerous problems: resurrect Cicero! To do so, we'll have to go to his birthplace to pick up his clothes. Where was he born?

**Arpinum**

**Bonus:** Now, to resurrect Rome's greatest orator, we must go to the place of his death. Where did he die?

**Formiae**

**Toss-Up #14.** We're known as an elderly couple associated with oak and linden trees.

**Baucis and Philemon**

**Bonus.** We're known as a couple repopulating the earth, one rock at a time.

**Pyrrha and Deucalion**

**TOSS-UP #15:** Responde Anglice: How many animals were sacrificed in the Roman religious ceremony *suovetaurilia* and what were the animals?

**Three/ pig, sheep, and bull.**

**BONUS:** After the animals were sacrificed, their organs were inspected to see if they were favorable. What type of person in ancient times held this position?

**haruspex**

**TOSS- UP #16:** Translate the following sentence:

Si te videam, laeta sim.

**If I should see you, I would be happy.**

**Bonus:** What type of conditional clause is used in this sentence?

**Should/Would or Future Less Vivid**

**TOSS-UP #17:** Poor Phineus, stuck on an island constantly being annoyed by these creatures; at least he was eventually rescued by the Argonauts. Who were these creatures?

**Harpies**

**Bonus.** The leader of the harpies was known as \_\_\_\_\_

**Celaeno**

**TOSS-UP #18:** Which of the following words is not derived from the same Latin word as the others? Equestrian, equator, equitation, equine,?

**equator**

**Bonus:** From what Latin adjective is “equator” derived?

**Aequus, a, um**

**Toss-Up #19:** We have just been notified that the government refuses to finance our proposition of resurrecting Rome's greatest orator. So, we must find yet another way to deal with our problems. Maybe a dictator is in order? Someone to delay our enemies with guerilla tactics. The Romans had such a leader in the second Punic War.. Who was he?

**Quintus Fabius Maximus**

**Bonus:** The Romans were fortunate to have many great leaders during all three of the Punic wars. During the first Punic war, who was the consul, captured by the Carthaginians and sent to Rome to negotiate a peace treaty, who advised his fellow Romans to continue the fight. He honored his agreement with the Carthaginians by returning, and there, he was executed. They placed him inside a spiked barrel and rolled it down a hill. Who was he?

**Regulus**

**TOSS-UP #20:** Listen to the following passage (which I will read twice) and answer in English the questions that follow:

*Olim erat discipulus huius scholae. Ante lucem, discipulus surrexit, et ad scholam ivit, magnum gravemque saccum ferens. Spatio quinto temporis ludi, post prandium, examen difficillimum de lingua Gallico scripsit. Tandem, domum rediit et usque ad mediam noctem scholae laborem faciebat.*

What was the TJ student carrying ? (prompt if they don't give enough information):

**a big heavy bag**

**Bonus:** What class did he have after lunch (period and subject)?

**5<sup>th</sup> period French**

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ROUND 3

**TOSS-UP #1:** I hope that you are enjoying our Certamen at TJ Sci-Tech. From what Latin verb with what meaning do we get the word “science”?

**Scio, scire, to know**

**Bonus:** The word “grades” comes from what Latin noun with what meaning?

**gradus, gradūs, (step, degree, level, rank, status)**

**TOSS UP # 2.** I’m one of the sons of Priam, one who lived after the Trojan war. I’m a seer by trade, and ended up marrying my brother’s wife.

**Helenus**

**Bonus:** Who was the said wife?

**Andromache**

**TOSS UP #3:** What does it mean if a Roman tombstone says, “Dis Manibus.”

**To the Spirits of the Dead**

**Bonus:** Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation: RIP

**Requiescat in Pace/ Let/May he/she rest in peace**

**Toss-Up #4:** I think we can all agree that the solutions suggested in the previous round were a little far fetched. So as we continue to ponder possible answers to our political dilemma, let us get a few normal history questions. Please name the 5 good emperors in order.

**Nerva, Trajan, Hadrian, Antoninus Pius, Marcus Aurelius**

**Bonus:** Who co-ruled with Marcus Aurelius, for part of his rule?

**Lucius Verus**

**TOSS-Up #5:** Give the 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular, pluperfect active subjunctive form of the verb:

*Scribo, scribere:*

**scripsisset**

**Bonus:** Change that to the imperfect subjunctive, keeping same person.

**scriberet**

**TOSS-UP #6:** In General, it’s not a good thing to challenge the gods. What satyr challenged Apollo to a musical duel with Tmolus as judge?

**Pan**

**Bonus.** What other satyr challenged Apollo to a musical duel judged by the Muses, lost, and was consequently flayed alive?

**Marsyas**

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**Toss-Up #8:** During whose rule did Mount Vesuvius erupt?

**Titus**

**Bonus:** The Arch of Titus in Rome commemorates his conquest of which city in 70 C.E.?

**Jerusalem**

**Toss-Up #9:** The word “opera,” also the name of a web browser, comes from what Latin noun with what meaning?

**opus, opera/ work**

**Bonus:** Netscape Navigator is another web browser. From what noun AND verb with what meanings do we get the word “navigator”?

**navis, ship, and agere/ to drive**

**Toss Up #10:** This man, king of the island upon which the box containing Danae and Perseus landed, wanted to take Danae as his bride.

**Polydectes**

**Bonus.** This man, a fisherman and brother of Polydectes, had rescued Danae and Perseus from the box in the first place. He was instated king after Polydectes met his demise.

**Dictys**

**Toss-Up #11** What is the name for those nouns for which the genitive plural ends in *ium*?  
**i-stems (or “semi i-stems” is acceptable)**

**Bonus:** Which of the following nouns does not have a genitive plural ending in *-ium*?  
*Nox, as, hostis, ōs, mons?*

**Ōs**

**Toss-Up #12:** In the Roman army, who were the *sagittarii*?

**Archers**

**BONUS** What was a *scutum*?

**Shield**

**Toss-Up #13:** Everybody at TJ takes calculus. What is the meaning of the Latin noun *calculus*?

**pebble**

**Bonus:** From what Latin noun with what meaning is “calculus” ultimately derived?

**calx, calcis meaning “stone”, or “heel”, “chalk”, or “goal line”**

**Toss-Up #14:** Who constructed the Pantheon, under Augustus’ orders?

**Agrippa**

Bonus: Which Roman emperor added the dome to the building? **Hadrian**

**Toss-Up #15:** Using the verb capio, capere: Translate just the verb in the following sentence: “*The conspirators were seized in Philippi.*” **Capti sunt**

Bonus: Now translate “*in Philippi*”.

**Phillipis**

**Toss-Up #16** Complete the analogy: vox is to vocis as tempestas is to \_\_\_\_\_.  
**tempestatis**

Bonus: What is the meaning of tempestas, tempestatis?

**Weather**

**Toss-Up #17:** From what Latin verb, meaning to touch, do we get the English words integral, contiguity, and attain

**Tango**

**Bonus:** What English adjective meaning “real or actual, rather than imaginary or visionary” comes from tango?

**Tangible**

**Toss Up #18.** Heracles killed this music tutor by hurling the teacher’s own lyre at him.

**Linus**

**Bonus.** Brash and impatient and capable of feeling incredibly guilty, Heracles wrestled Death to bring back this wife of Admetus. She had died for her husband in order to extend her husband’s life.

**Alcestis**

**Toss-Up #19:** Enough of these boring history questions. Now for something more interesting. Let’s talk about mothers. Mothers are often very doting on their children, and love them very much. This was true in ancient Rome. The Roman woman Cornelia called her two boys her “jewels.” Who were her two boys?

**Tiberius and Gaius Gracchus**

Bonus: When did Tiberius die?

**133 B.C.E**

**Toss-Up #20:** Welcome to the Cinema Romana: What current movie would the Romans have called “*Erit sanguis*”

**There will be blood**

**Bonus:** What current movie would the Romans have called “*Nova silva*”

**A strange wilderness**

