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FOR OUR STUDENTS AT ST. OLAF COLLEGE

FOREWORD TO THE FIFTH EDITION

These thirty-eight Latin stories are designed specifically for use with Frederic M. Wheelock's *Latin: An Introductory Course Based on Ancient Authors*. The first eighteen are our own compositions, often inspired by Ovid; each recounts a tale from classical mythology. The last twenty are adaptations of passages (ones that we find interesting as well as instructive) from Caesar, Catullus, Cicero, Horace, Livy, Petronius, Pliny, Quintilian, Sallust, Terence, and Vergil. Poetry has been recast as prose. We have drawn heavily upon Cicero since he is the author most frequently represented in Wheelock's *Locī Antīquī* and *Immūtātī*, for which our stories, gradually increasing in complexity, are intended to be preparation. For the most part, the vocabulary and the grammatical constructions used in each story are those to which students would have been introduced by the time they reached a particular chapter in Wheelock; any unfamiliar words or constructions are explained in the marginal notes, which also supply background information necessary for understanding the stories. To aid students, we have marked all long vowels with macrons and included a glossary at the back of the book.

It is our hope that these stories, most of which we have already used with success in our beginning Latin classes at Saint Olaf College, will be a valuable supplement to an excellent textbook and will help students make the transition from memorizing vocabulary and grammatical rules, to reading and appreciating "real" Latin. We are grateful to our anonymous reader, who generously donated his time and expertise to make the stories as free of errors and barbarisms as possible; any mistakes that remain are our own.

In our third, revised edition we have endeavored to incorporate the suggestions of several friends and colleagues (especially Richard A. LaFleur and Stephen G. Daitz) who have used this book in their classes. To that end we have added a table of contents, a short introduction to each story, line-numbering, and vocabulary inadvertently omitted in the previous editions.

We have opted to include only a few additional grammatical glosses. It is our conviction that in order for our students to learn to read Latin more effectively, they must, as soon as possible in their careers, confront passages that, though difficult, are nevertheless representative of Latin syntax and idiom.

Finally, we have attempted to rid the text of typographical errors and to supply any missing macrons.

We are indebted to John T. Ramsey of the University of Illinois at Chicago, whose suggestions for improving our book provided the impetus for this fourth, revised edition.

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It has not been necessary to replace any of our original thirty-eight selections with a different story. Our most drastic revision, the opening of "Hannibal and the Romans Fight to a Draw," involves just two sentences and results in a version more faithful to Livy's style and diction.

We appreciate the thoughtfulness of Prof. LaFleur in keeping us informed of his progress and sending us the proofs of his sixth edition, revised, so that we could prepare our fifth edition.

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PANDORA'S BOX

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Verbs; The First & Second Conjugations: Present Infinitive, Indicative, & Imperative Active;

Nouns & Cases; First Declension;

Agreement of Adjectives;

Second Declension: Masculine

Nouns & Adjectives; Apposition

WHEELOCK: CHAPTERS 1–3

The story of Pandora and her curiosity is one of the most famous tales from classical mythology. Hesiod, an ancient Greek writer, presents this version of the myth in his long didactic poem, *Works and Days*.

Īapetus duōs filiōs, Promētheum et Epimētheum, habet. Promētheus est vir magnae sapiētia^{ae}; Epimētheus est vir sine sapiētiā. Iuppiter Epimētheō bellam fēminam, Pandōram, dat. Promētheus Epimētheum dē Pandōrā saepe monet: "Ō Epimētheu, errās! Perīculum nōn vidēs. Nōn debēs fēminam accipere." Epimētheus Pandōram amat; dē perīculō nōn cōgitat. Iuppiter Epimētheō arcam dat; nōn licet arcam aperire. Sed Pandōra est cūriōsa! "Quid in arcā est? Multa pecūnia? Magnus numerus gemmārum?"
5 Fēmina arcam aperit. Multae fōrmae malī prōvolant et errant! Sed Pandōra spem in arcā cōservat. Etiam sī vīta plēna malōrum est, spem semper habēmus.
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VOCABULARY:

Īapetus, -ī, m.: Iapetus, one of the 12 Titans, children of Earth (Gaea) and Heaven (Uranus)

duōs: two

Promētheus, -eī, m.: Prometheus; the name means "one who thinks ahead"

Epimētheus, -eī (vocative **Epimētheu**), m.: Epimetheus; the name means "one who thinks afterwards"

Iuppiter, Iovis, m.: Jupiter, king of the gods (3rd declension)

bellam: pretty, charming

Pandōra, -ae, f.: Pandora, first woman ever created; made by Vulcan at Jupiter's command; given beauty, skills, intelligence, and other gifts by each of the gods; her name means "the all-gifted one"

perīculum, -ī, n.: danger (2nd declension neuter) -**lo** = dangerous 5

accipiō, -ere, -cēpī, -ceptus (3rd -iō conjugation): to receive, accept

arca, -ae, f.: box, chest

licet: it is permitted (+ infinitive)

aperiō, -īre, aperuī, apertus (4th conjugation): to open; **aperit** = she opens

cūriōsa: curious, inquisitive

gemma, -ae, f.: jewel, gem

malum, -ī, n.: bad thing, evil, misfortune (2nd declension neuter) 10

prōvolō (1): to fly out, rush forth

spēs, speī (accusative **spem**), f.: hope, the one good thing in Pandora's box; it remains there forever, helping to make human life bearable (5th declension)

etiam (adverb): even

plēna: full (+ genitive)

THE TRAGIC STORY OF PHAËTHON

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Second Declension Neuters;

Adjectives;

Present Indicative of Sum;

Predicate Nouns & Adjectives; Substantive Adjectives

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 4

This myth illustrates the foolishness of attempting a task before one is prepared for it.

Phaëthon est filius Phoebī. Amīcus Phaëthontis dē fāmā
dīvīnae orīginis dubitat: “Nōn es filiū deī. Nōn habēs
dōna deōrum. Nōn vēra est tua fābula.” Magna īra Phaë-
thontem movet: “Filiū deī sum! Phoebe, dā signum!”
5 vocat Phaëthon. Phoebus puerum auscultat et sine morā
volat dē caelō. “Ō mī fili, quid dēsīderās?” Phoebus rogat.
“Pecūniam? Sapientiam? Vītā sine cūrīs?” Respondet
Phaëthon, “Habēnās habēre et currum sōlis agere dēsīde-
rō.” Ō stulte puer! Malum est tuum cōnsilium. Nōn dēbēs
10 officia deōrum dēsīderāre. Phoebus filium monet, sed puer
magna perīcula nōn videt. Equī valent; nōn valet Phaë-
thon. Currus sine vērō magistrō errat in caelō. Quid
vidēmus? Dē caelō cadit Phaëthon. Ō mala fortūna!

VOCABULARY:

Phaëthon, -ontis (accusative **-ontem**), m.: Phaëthon (3rd declension)

Phoebus, -ī, m.: Phoebus, the sun-god

dīvīnus, -a, -um: divine

orīgō, orīginis, f.: origin (3rd declension)

dubitō (1): to doubt, be doubtful

deus, -ī, m.: god

fābula, -ae, f.: story, tale

moveō, -ēre, mōvī, mōtus: to move

signum, -ī, n.: sign, proof

auscultō (1): to listen to, hear

volō (1): to fly

caelum, -ī, n.: heaven, sky

dēsīderō (1): to desire

rogō (1): to ask, inquire

respondeō, -ēre, -spondī, -spōnsus: to answer

habēna, -ae, f.: strap; (plural) reins

currus, -ūs (accusative **-um**), m.: chariot (4th declension)

sōl, sōlis, m.: the sun (3rd declension)

agō, agere, ēgī, āctus (3rd conjugation): to drive

equus, -ī, m.: horse

cadō, -ere, cecidī, cāsūrus (3rd conjugation): to fall; **cadit** = he falls

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THE ADVENTURES OF IO

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

First & Second Conjugations:

Future & Imperfect;

Adjectives in -er

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 5

A myth that explains the reason behind a natural phenomenon, as the following story does, is called "aetiological."

Iuppiter, rēx deōrum, pulchram Iō amābat, sed iram Iūnōnis metuēbat. Mūtāvit igitur fōrmam Iōnis: "Iūnō nōn fēminam, sed bovem vidēbit," Iuppiter cōgitābat. Iūnō nōn stulta erat: "Habēsne dōnum, mī vir? Dabisne bellam
5 bovem Iūnōnī? Dā, sī mē amās!" Iuppiter igitur Iūnōnī bovem dedit. Cum bove remanēbat magnus custōs, Argus. Argus centum oculōs habēbat. Mercurius Argum superāvit, sed Iō nōndum libera erat: malus asīlus cum bove manēbat. Iō errābat per terrās; multōs populōs vidēbat, sed
10 vērā fōrmam suam nōn habēbat. Mīsera fēmina! Habēbisne semper fōrmam bovis? Nōnne satis est tua poena?

Ira Iūnōnis nōn perpetua erat: Iuppiter Iōnī hūmānam fōrmam dedit; tum Iō filium genuit. Centum oculōs Argī vidēbitis in caudā pāvōnis.

VOCABULARY:

Iuppiter, Iovis, m.: Jupiter (3rd declension)

rēx, rēgis, m.: king (3rd declension)

deus, -ī, m.: god

Iō, Iōnis, Iōnī, Iō, f.: Io, a Greek maiden (3rd declension)

Iūnō, Iūnōnis, Iūnōnī, f.: Juno, Jupiter's wife (3rd declension)

metuō, -ere, metuī (3rd conjugation): to fear

mūtō (1): to change; **mūtāvit** = he changed (perfect tense)

bōs, bovis, bovī, bovem, bove, f.: cow (3rd declension)

erat: she was (imperfect tense of **est**)

5

dedit: he gave (perfect tense of **dat**)

cum (preposition + ablative): with

custōs, -tōdis, m.: guard, watchman (3rd declension)

Argus, Argī, m.: Argus, large monster

centum (indeclinable adjective): one hundred

Mercurius, -iī, m.: Mercury, the messenger-god

superāvit: he conquered, overcame (perfect tense of **superat**)

nōndum (adverb): not yet

asīlus, -ī, m.: gadfly

per (preposition + accusative): through

terra, -ae, f.: land, country

suus, -a, -um: her own

10

miser, misera, miserum: unfortunate, wretched

nōnne: introduces a question expecting a positive answer

perpetuus, -a, -um: perpetual

gignō, -ere, genuī, genitus (3rd conjugation): to produce, give birth to;

genuit = she gave birth to (perfect tense)

cauda, -ae, f.: tail

pāvō, pāvōnis, m.: peacock (3rd declension)

THE CURSE OF ATREUS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Sum: Future & Imperfect Indicative

Possu: Present, Future, &

Imperfect Indicative;

Complementary Infinitive

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 6

The sad fate of Atreus and his family was a popular subject in ancient literature, especially Greek and Roman tragedy.

Filiū Pelopis erant Atreus Thyestēsque. Thyestēs uxōrem Atreī corrumpit; tum Atreus vitium invenit et tolerāre nōn potest. Īnsidiās igitur contrā frātre[m] cōgitat: "Sum plēnus irae! Quārē filiōs parvōs meī frātris necābō secābōque. Tum membra coquam et Thyestae cēnam dabō." Necat puerōs; Thyestēs suōs filiōs mortuōs in mēnsā videt. Ō miser Thyestē! Nihil nunc habēs. Sed, ō Atreu, propter tua magna vitia filiī tuī magnās poenās dabunt. In animīs filiōrum tuōrum manēbit tua culpa antīqua; erit perpetua. Quid dēbēmus dē tuīs ĩnsidiīs cōgitāre, ō Atreu? Tuam ĩram nōn poterās superāre; mala igitur erit semper tua fāma. Tē tuamque vītā paucī bonī laudābunt, sed multī culpābunt.

VOCABULARY:

Pelops, Pelopis, m.: Pelops, mythical Greek king (3rd declension)

Atreus, -eī (vocative **Atreu**), m.: Atreus (2nd/3rd declension)

Thyestēs, -ae (vocative **Thyestē**), m.: Thyestes (1st declension)

corrumpō, -ere, -rūpī, -ruptus (3rd conjugation): to seduce

uxor, uxōris (accusative **-em**), f.: wife (3rd declension)

inveniō, -īre, -vēnī, -ventus (4th conjugation): to find, discover

tolerō (1): to bear, tolerate

contrā (preposition + accusative): against

frāter, -tris (accusative **-trem**), m.: brother (3rd declension)

necō (1): to kill

secō, -āre, secuī, sectus: to cut up

membrum, -ī, n.: limb, part of the body

coquō, -ere, coxī, coctus (3rd conjugation): to cook; **coquam** = I will cook

cēna, -ae, f.: dinner, meal

suus, -a, -um: his own

mortuus, -a, -um: dead

mēnsa, -ae, f.: table

miser, misera, miserum: unfortunate, wretched

CLEOBIS AND BITON

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Third Declension Nouns

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 7

The Greek historian Herodotus records this tale; statues sculpted in honor of Cleobis and Biton can be seen today in the museum at Delphi.

Cleobis Bitōnque erant filiū Cŷdippēs. Cŷdippē erat sacerdōs deae Iūnōnis. Vidēre magnam statuam Iūnōnis Cŷdippē dēsiderābat. Sed procul erat statua, et Cŷdippē ambulāre nōn poterat; puerī bovēs nōn habēbant. Cleobis

5 Bitōnque Cŷdippēn amābant; ipsī igitur plastrum tractābant. Labor erat arduus, sed filiū Cŷdippēs rōbustī erant. Nunc Cŷdippē statuam vidēre poterat; quārē Iūnōnī supplicāvit: “Ō pulchra dea! Cleobis Bitōnque bonōs mōrēs et virtūtem habent. Dā igitur meīs filiīs optimum praemium.”

10 Propter precēs Cŷdippēs Iūnō puerīs sine morā mortem sine dolōre dedit. Cleobis Bitōnque nunc beātī in perpetuā pāce sunt.

VOCABULARY:

Cleobis, -is, m.: Cleobis, a Greek youth

Bitōn, -ōnis, m.: Biton, Cleobis' brother

Cŷdippē, -ippēs, -ippae, -ippēn, f.: Cydippe

sacerdōs, -dōtis, f.: priestess

Iūnō, -ōnis, f.: Juno, queen of the gods

statua, -ae, f.: statue

dēsiderō (1): to desire

procul (adverb): far away

ambulō (1): to walk

bōs, bovis, m.: ox

ipsī: (they) themselves (m. pl. nominative)

5

plastrum, -ī, n.: wagon, cart

tractō (1): to pull

arduus, -a, -um: steep, difficult, hard

rōbustus, -a, -um: strong, hardy

supplicō (1): to pray to (+ dative object); **supplicāvit** = she prayed to (perfect tense)

optimus, -a, -um: best

praemium, -īī, n.: reward

prex, precis, f.: prayer

10

mors, mortis, f.: death

dolor, -ōris, m.: pain, grief

dedit: gave (perfect tense of **dat**)

beātus, -a, -um: happy, fortunate

LAOCOÖN AND THE TROJAN HORSE

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Third Conjugation:

Present Infinitive,

Present, Future, & Imperfect Indicative, Imperative

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 8

This story is the source of the well-known adage "Beware of Greeks bearing gifts."

Graecī cum Trōiānīs bellum gerēbant. Magnum equum ligneum sub portīs urbis Trōiae nocte relinquunt. Trōiānī equum ibi inveniunt. "Graecī equum Minervae dēdicant," dīcunt. "Sī dōnum Graecōrum ad templum deae dūcēmus, 5 pācem habēbimus et vītā bonae fortūnae agēmus." Sed Lāocoön, sacerdos magnae virtūtis sapientiaeque, audet populum monēre: "Sine ratiōne cōgitātis, ō Trōiānī! Sī cōpiā in equō sunt, magnō in periculō erimus. Numquam dēbētis Graecīs crēdere, nam Graecī semper sunt falsī." 10 Tum equum hastā tundit. Īra Minervae magna est; dea duōs serpentēs ex marī mittit. Ō miser Lāocoön! Tē tuōs-que duōs filiōs malī serpentēs strangulant! Trōiānī deam timent; equum in urbem dūcunt. Ratiō Lāocoöntis Trōiānōs nihil docet.

VOCABULARY:

cum (preposition + ablative): with

Trōiānī, -ōrum, m. pl.: Trojans, inhabitants of Troy, an ancient city in Asia Minor

equus, -ī, m.: horse

ligneus, -a, -um: of wood, wooden

urbs, urbis, f.: city

Trōia, -ae, f.: Troy

nox, noctis, f.: night (ablative **nocte** = at night)

relinquō, -ere, -liquī, -lictus: to leave behind

inveniō, -īre, -vēnī, -ventus (4th conjugation): to find, discover

Minerva, -ae, f.: Minerva, Roman goddess, corresponding to the Greek goddess Athena

dēdicō (1): to dedicate

dīcō, -ere, dīxī, dictus: to say

templum, -ī, n.: temple

5

Lāocoön, -ōntis, m.: Laocoön, priest of Neptune at Troy

sacerdos, -dōtis, m.: priest

crēdō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to trust (+ dative object)

nam (conjunction): for

falsus, -a, -um: false, deceitful

hasta, -ae, f.: spear (ablative **hastā** = with a spear)

10

tundō, -ere, tutudī, tūsus: to hit, strike

duōs: two (m. pl. accusative of **duo, duae, duo**)

serpēns, -entis, m.: snake, sea-serpent

marī: ablative of **mare, maris**, n., sea

mittō, -ere, mīsī, missus: to send

miser, misera, miserum: unfortunate, wretched

strangulō (1): to strangle, choke

timeō, -ēre, timuī: to fear, be afraid of

in (preposition + accusative): into

NISUS AND EURYALUS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Demonstratives Hic, Ille, Iste; Special -ius Adjectives

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 9

The legendary friendship between Nisus and Euryalus is the subject of a moving episode in the Aeneid, Vergil's great Roman epic.

- Aenēās Trōiānōs contrā Rutulōs dūcēbat. Dum nox erat et cōpia dormiēbant, ducēs Trōiānōrum in castrīs cōsilium habēbant. Ad hōs Nīsus Euryalusque, iuvenēs Trōiānī, audent venīre. “Ō magnī virī,” dīcit Nīsus, “sī mē cum
- 5 Euryalō ad castra Rutulōrum mittētis, nōn solum multōs hominēs necābimus, sed etiam multam praedam ex illīs rapiēmus; somnus enim istōs habet.” “Animōs virtūtemque hōrum iuvenum laudō!” exclāmat Iūlus, filius Aenēae illīus. “Valēte!”
- 10 Nunc veniunt Nīsus Euryalusque in castra Rutulōrum. Necant ūnum, tum multōs aliōs. Euryalus ōrnāmenta ūnīus, galeam alterīus, rapit. Cum hāc praedā fugiunt. Sed Volcēns, dux Rutulōrum, illōs Trōiānōs videt et aliōs Rutulōs vocat. Splendor istīus galeae illōs ad
- 15 Euryalum dūcit. Nīsus hunc in perīculō videt et audet amīcum servāre. Necat Volcentem, sed iste anteā Euryalum necat. Tum aliī Nīsum vincunt; hic super corpus Euryalī cadit.
- Hanc fābulam tōtam Vergilius scrībet et hīs Trōiānīs
- 20 fāmam perpetuam dabit.

VOCABULARY:

- Aenēās, Aenēae, m.:** Aeneas, famous Trojan, ancestor of the Romans
Trōiānus, -a, -um: Trojan; **Trōiānī, -ōrum, m. pl.:** the Trojans, former inhabitants of Troy, now trying to establish a new home in Italy
contrā (preposition + accusative): against
Rutulī, -ōrum, m. pl.: Rutulians, ancient inhabitants of Latium, the area of Italy around Rome
nox, noctis, f.: night
dormiō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus (4th conjugation): to sleep, be asleep
dux, ducis, m.: leader
castra, -ōrum, n. pl.: camp (military)
cōsilium, -iī, n.: meeting for deliberation, planning session
Nīsus, -ī, m.: Nisus, a Trojan soldier
Euryalus, -ī, m.: Euryalus, a Trojan soldier
iuvenis, -is, m.: young man, youth
veniō, -īre, vēnī, ventus (4th conjugation): to come
dīcō, -ere, dīxī, dictus: to say
cum (preposition + ablative): with
- mittō, -ere, mīsī, missus:** to send 5
praeda, -ae, f.: loot
rapiō, -ere, rapuī, raptus (3rd -iō conjugation): to snatch
somnus, -ī, m.: sleep
exclāmō (1): to cry out, call out
Iūlus, -ī, m.: Iulus, son of Aeneas 10
- ōrnāmentum, -ī, n.:** decoration, fancy clothing
galea, -ae, f.: helmet
fugiō, -ere, fūgī, fugitūrus (3rd -iō conjugation): to flee
Volcēns, -entis, m.: Volcens, Rutulian leader
splendor, -ōris, m.: brightness, shine 15
- anteā** (adverb): before, earlier
super (preposition + accusative): above, on top of
cadō, -ere, cecidī, cāsūrus: to fall (dead)
fābula, -ae, f.: story, tale
Vergilius, -iī, m.: Publius Vergilius Maro (70–19 B.C.), a renowned Latin poet

AURORA AND TITHONUS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Fourth Conjugation & -iō Verbs
of the Third

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 10

This myth features a supernatural transformation like those described by the Roman poet Ovid in his colorful Metamorphoses.

Aurōra dea Tīthōnum, virum pulchrum, amābat. Venit igitur ad Iovem: "Ō rēx deōrum," dīcit, "audī mē! Meus Tīthōnus nōn est deus; post paucōs annōs ad senectūtem veniet. Sī vītā perpetuam huic dabis, tē semper laudābō."

- 5 Stulta Aurōra! Magnum perīculum illiūs dōnī nōn vidēs. Immortālītātem Tīthōnō dat Iuppiter, sed ille, dum vīvit, senēscit. Tempus fugit: nunc Aurōra bella, Tīthōnus nōn bellus est. Corpus rūgōsum curvumque iam nōn valet; sapientia in animō nōn manet. Quid Aurōra faciet? Poteritne fōrmam Tīthōnō restituere? Cōgitat et cōsiliū capit: "Ō Tīthōne, mī amor! Tē vertam in cicādam; tum garrīre sine culpā poteris. Hāc in cāveā vīvēs, et tē semper amābō."
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VOCABULARY:

Aurōra, -ae, f.: Aurora, goddess of the dawn

Tīthōnus, -ī, m.: Tithonus, a Trojan prince

Iuppiter, **Iovis**, m.: Jupiter, king of the gods

annus, -ī, m.: year

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immortālītās, -tātis, f.: immortality

senēscō, -ere, **senuī**: to grow old

rūgōsus, -a, -um: wrinkled

curvus, -a, -um: curved, bent

iam nōn (adverb) = no longer

restituō, -ere, -stitūī, -stitūtus: to restore

10

vertō, -ere, **vertī**, **versus**: to turn, change

cicāda, -ae, f.: cricket, grasshopper

garrīō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to babble, make incomprehensible sounds

cāvea, -ae, f.: cage

ULYSSES AND THE CYCLOPS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Personal Pronouns **Ego, Tū, & Is;**
Demonstratives **Is & Idem**

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 11

*This memorable tale about the blinding of Polyphemus comes from the **Odyssey**, one of the two great Greek epics attributed to Homer.*

Post bellum Trōiānum venit Ulixēs cum XII virīs ad terram
Cyclōpum. In cavernā bonum cāseum inveniunt. Dum
eum edunt, Cyclōps Polyphēmus in eandem cavernam
magnās ovēs dūcit et Graecōs videt: “Quid vōs facitis in
5 meā cavernā? Poenās dabit, sī mala cōnsilia in animō
habētis.” “Trōiā nāvigāmus,” Ulixēs eī dicit. “Quid tū nōbīs
dabis?” Polyphēmus autem exclāmat: “Stulte! Quid vōs, tū
tuīque cārī, mihi dabit?” Sine morā paucōs virōs capit
editque! Tum rogat, “Quid tibi nōmen est?” Ulixēs respon-
10 det, “Nēmō.” Dum somnus Polyphēmum superat, Graecī
īnsidiās faciunt. Tignum in flammā acuunt et in oculum
istius mittunt. Ō miser Polyphēme! Tibi nōn bene est. Aliī
Cyclōpēs veniunt, sed vērūm perīculum nōn sentiunt:
“Nēmō mē necat!” Polyphēmus vocat. “Bene!” iī dīcunt.
15 “Valē!” Graecī igitur ex cavernā fugere possunt. Caecus
Cyclōps haec verba audit: “Valē! Ego nōn Nēmō, sed
Ulixēs sum!”

VOCABULARY:

Trōiānus, -a, -um: Trojan

Ulixēs, -is, m.: Ulysses, a crafty Greek hero

Cyclōps, -ōpis, m.: Cyclops, a one-eyed giant

caverna, -ae, f.: cave

cāseus, -ī, m.: cheese

edō, -ere, ēdī, ēsus: to eat

Polyphēmus, -ī, m.: Polyphemus, name of a Cyclops

ovis, -is, f.: sheep

5

Trōia, -ae, f.: Troy, city in Asia Minor (**Trōiā** = ablative of place from which)

nāvigō (1): to sail

exclāmō (1): to cry out, call out

rogō (1): to ask, inquire

respondeō, -ēre, -spondī, -spōnsus: to answer

10

somnus, -ī, m.: sleep

tignum, -ī, n.: log, stick, trunk of a tree

flamma, -ae, f.: flame

acuō, -ere, acuī, acūtus: to sharpen

miser, misera, miserum: unfortunate, wretched

bene est: it goes well, things go well (for someone)

caecus, -a, -um: blind

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A GIFT BEARING GREEKS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Perfect Active System
of All Verbs*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 12

The Trojan Horse was one of the most ingenious military stratagems of all time.

In Asiā erat magna urbs, Trōia. Ibi rēx Priamus vīvēbat. Paris, filius illīus, Helenam, pulchram fēminam Graecam, cēperat. Propter hoc vitium multī Graecī ad Asiam vēnerant et diū cum Trōiānīs bellum acerbum gesserant. Mūrōs
5 autem urbis superāre nōn potuerant. Sed tum Epēus, ūnus ex Graecīs, eīs hoc cōsiliū dedit: “Sī magnum equum ligneum faciēmus et Trōiānīs dabimus, eōs vincere poterimus; Graecōs enim in equō condiderimus.”

“Nōs bene docuistī,” Graecī dīxērunt et istās īnsidiās
10 sine morā fēcērunt. Post bellum Aenēās, dux Trōiānus, dīxit, “Cōpiās in equō nōn vīdimus; eum in urbem dūximus. Graecī igitur nōs vincere potuērunt. Dī fortūnam malam praesēserant et nostrā ex urbe fūgerant.”

VOCABULARY:

urbs, urbis, f.: city

Trōia, -ae, f.: Troy, ancient city in Asia Minor

Priamus, -ī, m.: Priam, king of Troy

Paris, -idis, m.: Paris, one of Priam’s sons

Helena, -ae, f.: Helen, most beautiful woman in the world, stolen from her Greek husband Menelaus by Paris, a Trojan prince

Trōiānus, -ī, m.: a Trojan, citizen of Troy

mūrus, -ī, m.: wall

Epēus, -ī, m.: Epeus, a clever Greek soldier 5

equus, -ī, m.: horse

ligneus, -a, -um: of wood, wooden

condō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to hide, conceal

Aenēās, -ae, m.: Aeneas, famous Trojan, survivor of Trojan War 10

dux, ducis, m.: leader

praesentiō, -īre, -sēnsī, -sēnsus: to perceive beforehand

ECHO AND HANDSOME NARCISSUS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Reflexive Pronouns & Possessives;
Intensive Pronoun*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 13

This myth is the source for the modern term "narcissism."

Narcissus erat bellus puer. Multae puellae eum amābant; nullam ex eis ille amābat. Ipse sē solum diligēbat et vitam in silvīs agēbat. Nympha Ēchō Narcissum diū amāverat, sed suum amōrem eī numquam dīcere potuerat: solum verbum ultimum alteriūs reddere poterat. Sī Narcissus vocāvit, "Tūne es hīc?", Ēchō vocāvit, "Hīc!" Sī ille "Ubi es? Venī!" dīxit, illa "Venī!" dīxit. Sed Narcissus ad eam nōn vēnit, et Ēchō igitur nōn diū vīxit. Amisit corpus tōtum; vōcem autem eius etiam nunc audīmus.

10 Intereā Narcissus suam imāginem in stagnō vīdit et oculōs suōs amovēre nōn poterat. Magnō amōre suī superābātur. Tempus fūgit; eōdem locō remānsit Narcissus. Amīcī illiūs eum invenīre nōn poterant. Ante ipsum stagnum, ubi ille fuerat, nunc erat bellus flōs. Nōmen huius in

15 perpetuum erit Narcissus.

Hominēs nōn dēbent sē nimis amāre.

VOCABULARY:

Narcissus, -ī, m.: Narcissus, a vain youth

silva, -ae, f.: forest, wood

nympha, -ae, f.: nymph, demi-goddess

Ēchō, -ūs, f. (4th declension): Echo, a beautiful nymph

ultimus, -a, -um: last, final

reddō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to give back, repeat

hīc (adverb): here

āmittō, -ere, -mīsī, -missus: to lose

vōx, vōcis, f.: voice

intereā (adverb): meanwhile

imāgō, -ginis, f.: image, reflection

stagnum, -ī, n.: pool of water

āmoveō, -ēre, -mōvī, -mōtus: to move away

magnō amōre: ablative of means ("by a great love")

superābātur: imperfect passive of **superō** ("he was overcome")

eōdem locō: ablative of place where

flōs, flōris, m.: flower

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EUROPA AND THE BULL

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*I-Stem Nouns of the Third Declension;
Ablatives of Means, Accompaniment,
& Manner*

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 14

Jupiter uses one of his standard tricks—changing his form—to win the love of a beautiful maiden.

Eurōpam, filiam Agēnoris, Iuppiter, rēx deōrum, vīdit.
Victus amōre eius, dīxit, “Sine hāc bellā fēminā ego nōn
poterō vīvere. Sed quid agam? | Haec virgō, sī eam vī
superābō, mē nōn amābit, et Iūnō, uxor mea, sī īnsidias
5 meās īveniet, mē castigābit. Arte igitur Eurōpam ad mē
dūcere dēbeō.”

Iuppiter sibi dedit fōrmam taurī. Cum celeritāte ē suā
arce in caelō per nūbēs ad terram cucurrit. Eurōpa cum
suīs amīcīs errāverat in loca remōta. Ad hās vēnit ille
10 magnus taurus. Fūgērunt aliae puellae; sōla Eurōpa (nam
animālia semper amāverat) remānsit cum taurō. Collum
eius suīs bracchiīs Eurōpa tenuit; sine morā trāns mare ille
eam trāxit!

Eurōpa perīculum sēnsit et exclāmāvit, “Ō!” Dīxit
15 Iuppiter, “Bella fēmina, nūllae malae sententiae sunt in
meō animō. Nōn taurus, sed deus ego sum. Nōn mors, sed
fāma glōriaque tibi venient, nam tuum nōmen magnī
poētae cum meō iungent.”

VOCABULARY:

Eurōpa, -ae, f.: Europa

Agēnor, -oris, m.: Agenor, king of Tyre in Phoenicia

Iuppiter, Iovis, m.: Jupiter

victus, -a, -um: conquered, overcome

quid agam? what should I do? (deliberative subjunctive)

Iūnō, -ōnis, f.: Juno, wife of Jupiter

castīgō (1): to punish, chastise

taurus, -ī, m.: bull

5

celeritās, -tātis, f.: speed, swiftness

arx, arcis, f.: citadel, fortress

remōtus, -a, -um: removed, distant, remote

10

collum, -ī, n.: neck

bracchium, -iī, n.: arm

exclāmō (1): to cry out, call out

HOW THE AEGEAN GOT ITS NAME

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Numerals; Genitive of the Whole;
Genitive & Ablative with Cardinal Numerals;
Ablative of Time

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 15

In this myth a victory by the Athenian hero Theseus is tarnished by the tragic event that follows.

Athēnīs vīvēbant Thēseus eiusque pater, rēx Aegeus. Illō tempore cīvēs rēgī insulae Crētae poenās dabant: septem puerōs et eundem numerum puellārum ad eum mittēbant. Hae quattuordecim victimae Mīnōtaurō suās vītās dabant.
5 Suō patrī Thēseus dīxit, “Hunc malum mōrem tolerāre nōn possum! Ego ipse Mīnōtaurum nōn timeō. Istum inveniam et, sī poterō, meis vīribus vincam. Dīs meam fortunam committō. Alba vēla vidēbis, ō mī pater, sī mortem fugiam.” Itaque Thēseus sē cum aliīs victimīs iūnxit et trāns
10 mare ad Crētam nāvīgāvit. Ibi suō labōre Mīnōtaurum superāre et arte Ariadnae, suae amīcae, fugere poterat.

Aegeus suum filiū in scopulō diū exspectāverat; nunc nāvem ipsam suī filiū vidēre poterat. Sed vēla nigra, nōn alba sunt! Stultus Thēseus suum cōsiliū memoriā
15 nōn tenuerat; vēla nōn mūtāverat. Miser Aegeus sine morā sē iēcit in mare “Aegaeum.”

VOCABULARY:

Athēnae, -ārum, f. pl.: Athens (Athēnīs = ablative of place where)	
Thēseus, -eī, m.: Theseus, great Greek hero from Athens	
Aegeus, -eī, m.: Aegeus, Theseus’ father, king of Athens	
īnsula, -ae, f.: island	
Crēta, -ae, f.: Crete, large island south of Greek mainland	
victimā, -ae, f.: sacrificial beast, victim	
Mīnōtaurus, -ī, m.: Minotaur, a half-man, half-bull creature kept in the labyrinth of Minos, king of Crete	
tolerō (1): to bear, tolerate	5
albus, -a, -um: white	
vēlum, -ī, n.: sail	
nāvīgō (1): to sail	10
Ariadna, -ae, f.: Ariadne, Cretan princess, daughter of King Minos; Theseus takes her with him, then abandons her on the island Naxos	
scopulus, -ī, m.: rock, cliff	
nāvis, -is, f.: ship	
niger, nigra, nigrum: black	
memoriā: ablative of means	
Aegaeus, -a, -um: Aegean	15

THE WRATH OF ACHILLES

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Third Declension Adjectives

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 16

Achilles' anger at Agamemnon is one of the major themes of the Iliad, Homer's monumental Greek epic.

Achillēs nōn solum vir fortis potēnsque, sed etiam Thetidis
deae filiū erat. Ille cum Agamemnone aliisque Graecis
Trōiam vēnerat et bellum longum difficileque gesserat. Sed
nunc post novem annos ira ācris eum movēbat; nam
5 fēminam captivam eī cāram Agamemnōn sibi cēperat.
Itaque Achillēs mātrem suam vocāvit: "Iuvā mē!" In marī
Thetis eum audīvit et ad eum cucurrit: "Tuās sententiās
intellegō, mī dulcis fili," dīxit. "Omnēs Graecī tē magnō in
honore habēre dēbent; sine tē enim Trōiānōs vincere nōn
10 possunt. Cōgitā haec: sī nunc hōc ex bellō fugiēs, tibi erit
parva glōria, sed vīta longa; si autem hōc locō manēbis,
magnam glōriam inveniēs, sed tuam vītam āmittēs."
"Ō beāta māter, bonum animum habē!" dīxit Achillēs.
"Omnibus hominibus vīta brevis est. Ego ipse celerem
15 mortem nōn timeō. Hōc locō nōn manēbō, sed quoniam
ingēns ira mē tenet, bellum nōn geram." Quam magna est
vīs irae!

VOCABULARY:

Achillēs, -is, m.: Achilles, best of the Greek warriors

Thetis, -idis, f.: Thetis, sea-nymph married to the mortal Peleus

Agamemnōn, -onis, m.: Agamemnon, leader of the Greek army at
Troy

Trōia, -ae, f.: Troy, an ancient city in Asia Minor; **Trōiam** = accusative
of place to which

moveō, -ēre, mōvī, mōtus: to move

captivus, -a, -um: captive, taken as part of the spoils during the
Trojan War 5

eī: construe with the adjective **cāram**

honor, -ōris, m.: honor

honore habere: to hold (someone) in respect, esteem 10

hōc locō: ablative of place where

āmittō, -ere, -mīsī, -missus: to lose

bonum animum habere: be of good cheer, take heart

THE MYRMIDONS (ANT PEOPLE)

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

The Relative Pronoun

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 17

Thanks to a miraculous metamorphosis, the population of Aegina is restored.

Aeacus ōlim regēbat Aegīnam, quae nōmen suum cēperat ā
nōmine mātris Aeacī, quācum Iuppiter sē in amōre iūn-
xerat. Iūnō, quae malōs mōrēs Iovis numquam tolerāre
potuerat, hoc factum sēnsit et memoriā tenuit. Multōs post
5 annōs omnibus quī in īsulā Aegīnā vīvēbant mortem
mīsit. "Ō Iuppiter pater," Aeacus vocāvit, "Iūnō meum
populum tōtum dēlēvit! Iuvā mē, filium tuum, quem amās
et quem neglegere nōn dēbēs." Deus eum audīvit et sine
morā coepit formīcās in hominēs mūtāre! Itaque Iuppiter,
10 cui nihil est nimis difficile, virōs fēmināsque fēcit parvīs ex
animālibus. (Vēritātemne dīcō, an nōn?)

Filius Aeacī erat Pēleus, cuius filius erat ille Achillēs,
dux Myrmidonum.

VOCABULARY:

Aeacus, -ī, m.: Aeacus

Aegīna, -ae, f.: Aegina, a Greek island, also a woman's name

Iuppiter, Iovis, m.: Jupiter, king of the gods

Iūnō, -ōnis, f.: Juno, Jupiter's wife

īnsula, -ae, f.: island 5

formīca, -ae, f.: ant 10

an: or (introduces second part of a double question)

Pēleus, -eī, m.: Peleus, who left Aegina to be king of Thessaly

Achillēs, -is, m.: Achilles, greatest Greek warrior

dux, ducis, m.: leader

Myrmidonēs, -um, m. pl.: Myrmidons, "ant people," the Greeks ruled by
Achilles in Thessaly, who fought with him at Troy

A WEDDING INVITATION

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

First & Second Conjugations: Passive

Voice of the Present System;

Ablative of Agent

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 18

Announcing the marriage of Peleus and Thetis! They are destined to become the parents of Achilles, greatest of the Greek warriors who fought at Troy.

Salvēte, ō dī deaeque! Noster amīcus Pēleus magna cōn-
silia habet; nympham Thetidem in mātrimōnium dūcet.
Vōs igitur ā mē, Iove, ad Thessaliam vocāminī. Exspectāte
bonōs lūdōs et dulcēs epulās. Dēbētis autem dē hīs perī-
culīs monērī: I. Quoniam Pēleus mortālis est, animus eius
5 terrēbitur sī nimis potentēs vidēbimur; II. Quī audet sine
dōnō venīre, ā mē castīgābitur. Legite genera dōnōrum
quae laudābuntur ab omnibus quī ea vidēbunt.

Tū sōla, ō dea Discordia, nōn vocāris, nam ā nūllō
10 amāris. Sī veniēs, omnis deus in Olympō irā movēbitur.
Inter amīcōs discordia nōn dēbet tolerārī.

Poenae dabuntur ab eō deō quī suum officium ne-
gleget. Valēte!

VOCABULARY:

Pēleus, -eī, m.: Peleus, legendary king of Thessaly

nympha, -ae, f.: nymph, demi-goddess

Thetis, -idis, f.: Thetis, sea-nymph, mother of Achilles

mātrimōnium, -iī, n.: marriage

Iuppiter, Iovis, m.: Jupiter, king of the gods

Thessalia, -ae, f.: Thessaly, region of northern Greece

epulae, -ārum, f. pl.: feast, banquet

5

castīgō (1): to punish, chastise

Discordia, -ae, f.: discord, disagreement, here personified as a goddess

Olympus, -i, m.: Mount Olympus, home of the gods

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THE JUDGMENT OF PARIS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Perfect Passive System

of All Verbs;

Interrogative Pronouns &

Adjectives

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 19

Paris' fateful decision leads ultimately to the Trojan War.

Dea Discordia, quae sōla ad nūptiās Pēleī Thetidisque nōn erat vocāta, irā mōta est. Iēcit igitur in rēgiam immortālium deōrum mālum aureum, in quō scrīptae erant hae litterae: "BELLISSIMAE." Cui mālum darī dēbet? Iūnōnī aut Venerī aut Minervae? Etiam Iuppiter ipse iūdicium facere timet! Itaque ad Paridem, filium rēgis Trōiānī, illae trēs deae veniunt.

5 "Ō cāre adulēscēns," dīcunt, "quis nostrum tuā sentiā bellissima est? Magnum dōnum tibi parābitur ab eā deā quam ēligēs." Quem Paris ēliget? Quō dōnō animus iūdicis movēbitur? Iūnō eum rēgem, Minerva ducem facere potest. Venus autem eī Helenam, bellissimam omnium fēminārum, dare potest.

15 Paris amōre victus est et Venerī mālum aureum dedit. Itaque (sī certa est fāma hōrum factōrum) Helena capta et ad novum locum, Trōiam, ducta est. Quod bellum gestum est propter istam fēminam?

VOCABULARY:

Discordia, -ae, f.: discord personified as a goddess

nūptiae, -ārum, f. pl.: wedding

Pēleus, -eī, m.: Peleus, father of Achilles

Thetis, -idis, f.: Thetis, mother of Achilles

rēgia, -ae, f.: palace

mālum, -ī, n.: apple

aureus, -a, -um: golden

BELLISSIMAE: dative case ("FOR THE FAIREST")

Iūnō, -ōnis, f.: Juno, queen of the gods

Venus, -eris, f.: Venus, goddess of love

Minerva, -ae, f.: Minerva, goddess of war and wisdom 5

Iuppiter, Iovis, m.: Jupiter, king of the gods

Paris, -idis, m.: Paris, Trojan prince, son of Priam

Trōiānus, -a, -um: Trojan

ēligō, -ere, -lēgī, -lēctus: to choose 10

dux, ducis, m.: leader

Helena, -ae, f.: Helen, wife of Menelaus, king of Sparta 15

Trōia, -ae, f.: Troy, city in Asia Minor

THE LABORS OF HERCULES

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Fourth Declension; Ablatives of Place
from Which & Separation*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 20

Hercules (Heracles in Greek) is one of the best known and most remarkable characters from classical mythology.

Quis nōmen Herculis nōn audīvit? Dē magnīs factīs illius nunc pauca dīcam.

Herculem, virum Graecum cuius vīrēs erant extraōrdināriae, in servitūtem fortūna dūxerat. Eurystheus eī miserō duodecim gravēs labōrēs dederat. Sed Herculēs metū nōn victus erat; neque novīs animālibus terrērī poterat, neque ab hominibus eius generis quod numquam sceleribus caret. Magnum leōnem sōlīs manibus Herculēs superāvit; celerem cervam, cuius cornua aurea erant, cēpit et ex eō locō in quō eam invēnerat Mycēnās trāxit. Deinde ille missus est ab Eurystheō contrā Cerberum, ācrem canem; etiam hunc āmovēre poterat ab ipsā portā Plūtōnis!

Post haec et alia facta Herculēs labōribus liberātus est. Quod autem praemium eī datum est? Nūllum. Quī erat frūctus labōrum eius? Glōria memoriaque perpetua in versibus poētārum.

VOCABULARY:

Herculēs, -is, m.: Hercules, great Greek hero famous for his strength, appetite, and obtuseness

extraōrdinārius, -a, -um: not common, beyond the norm

Eurystheus, -eī, m.: Eurystheus, king of Mycenae, cousin of Hercules; Juno, who disliked Hercules, had contrived to make Eurystheus his master

5

leō, -ōnis, m.: lion

cerva, -ae, f.: deer, hind

aureus, -a, -um: golden

Mycēnae, -ārum, f. pl.: Mycenae, a city in Greece; **Mycēnās** = to the city of Mycenae (accusative of place to which without **ad**)

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Cerberus, -ī, m.: Cerberus, 3-headed dog guarding the entrance to the underworld

canis, -is, m. or f.: dog

Plūtō, -ōnis, m.: Pluto, god of the underworld

praemium, -īī, n.: reward

THE GOLDEN AGE RETURNS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Third & Fourth Conjugations:

Passive Voice of the Present System

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 21

This passage comes from the Eclogues, a collection of ten short bucolic poems by Vergil. The fourth eclogue, which depicts the return of a golden age, is sometimes called "Messianic" because Christians in the Middle Ages identified the puer of the poem with Christ.

Nunc aetās magna atque nova incipit. Puer nāscitur ac
gēns aurea venit. Mundus gravī metū liberābitur. Ille puer
deōrum vītā accipiet deōsque vidēbit, et ipse vidēbitur
ab illīs. Mundum reget antīquīs virtūtibus. Simul atque
5 laudēs et facta parentis legere et virtūtem scīre poterit, agrī
beātī dulcēs frūctūs omnibus hominibus parābunt. Re-
manēbunt tamen pauca vitia quae hominēs temptāre
mare nāvibus, quae hominēs cingere urbēs mūrīs iubēbunt.
Erunt etiam altera bella, atque iterum Trōiam magnus
10 mittētur Achillēs. Ubi autem hunc puerum virum fēcerit
fortis aetās, maria relinquentur ā vectōribus, nec nautae
pecūniae causā mercēs mūtābunt. Rōbustus agricola taurōs
iugō liberābit; nōn rāstrīs tangētur humus; omnis terra
omnia feret.

—adapted from Vergil, *Eclogues* 4.4–39

VOCABULARY:

nāscor, nāscī, nātus sum: to be born, spring forth

aureus, -a, -um: golden

accipiō, -ere, -cēpī, -ceptus: to receive

simul (adverb): at the same time (+ **atque** = as soon as)

parēns, -entis, m. or f.: parent

5

temptō (1): to try (out), test

cingō, -ere, cīnxī, cīnctus: to gird, encircle

mūrus, -ī, m.: wall

Trōiam: accusative of place to which

Achillēs, -is, m.: Achilles, greatest Greek hero during the 10-year
war against the Trojans

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fortis aetās: strong stretch of years, i.e. mature age

vector, -ōris, m.: passenger, seafarer

merx, mercis, f.: merchandise, goods

rōbustus, -a, -um: strong, hardy

taurus, -ī, m.: bull

iugum, -ī, n.: yoke

rāstrum, -ī, n.: rake, toothed hoe

humus, -ī, f.: ground, earth, soil

ferō, ferre, tulī, lātus: to bear, produce (**feret** = future tense)

CICERO REPORTS HIS VICTORY OVER CATILINE

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Fifth Declension; Ablative of Place Where;
Summary of Ablative Uses*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 22

This is an excerpt from the third of Cicero's four speeches against Catiline. Cicero has driven Catiline out of Rome and now triumphantly reports to his fellow citizens what has transpired.

Rem pūblicam, ō cīvēs, vītam omnium vestrum, bona,
fortūnās, domum senātūs atque hanc pulchram urbem hōc
diē labōribus, cōsiliīs, perīculīs meīs ex igne atque ferrō
ēripi. Nunc, ō cīvēs, quoniam malōs ducēs malī bellī
5 captōs iam tenētis, cōgitāre dēbētis dē bonā spē vestrā.
Catilīna ex urbe mediā expulsus est. Erat ille quī timēbātur
ab omnibus, tam diū dum urbis moenibus continēbātur.
Nunc ille homō tam ācer, tam audāx, tam in scelere vigi-
lāns, tam in malīs rēbus dīligēns, sublātus est. Quamquam
10 haec omnia, ō cīvēs, sunt ā mē administrāta, videntur
tamen imperiō atque cōsiliō deōrum immortalīum et
gesta et prōvīsa esse. Nam multīs temporibus dī immor-
tālēs spem fidemque huius reī pūblīcae aluērunt. Hōc
autem tempore praeclārissimās eīs grātiās agere dēbētis.
15 Ēreptī enim estis ex crūdēlissimā ac miserā morte, ēreptī
(estis) sine caede, sine sanguine, sine exercitū.

Memoriā vestrā, ō cīvēs, nostrae rēs alentur; laus,
fāma, glōriaque valēbunt; litterīs vīvent remanēbuntque. In
perpetuā pāce esse possumus, ō cīvēs.

—adapted from Cicero, *Against Catiline* 3.1, 16–18, 23,
26, 29

VOCABULARY:

domus, -ūs, f.: house

labōribus, cōsiliīs, perīculīs: ablative of means

dux, ducis, m.: leader

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Catilīna, -ae, m.: Catiline, leader of a conspiracy in 63 B.C.; his plans
to overthrow the Roman government were discovered and foiled
by Cicero, who was then serving as one of the two annually
elected consuls in Rome

expellō, -ere, -pulī, -pulsus: to banish, expel

tam (adverb): so (**tam diū dum** = so long as)

moenia, -ium, n. pl.: walls

audāx, -ācis: bold, daring

vigilāns, -antis: watchful, vigilant

dīligēns, -entis: careful, diligent

quamquam (conjunction): although

administrō (1): to manage, take charge of, execute

10

prōvideō, -ēre, -vīdī, -vīsus: to see to, provide for

gesta ... prōvīsa esse: to have been administered and provided for

praeclārissimus, -a, -um: most splendid, most glorious

crudēlissimus, -a, -um: most cruel

15

caedēs, -is, f.: slaughter, massacre

sanguis, -inis, m.: blood, bloodshed

exercitus, -ūs, m.: army

WATCHING THE ORATOR AT WORK

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Participles

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 23

In this passage from the Brutus, a survey of Roman oratory, Cicero describes the effect that an accomplished speaker has on his audience.

5 Nunc surgit magnus orator, causam dicturus: omnis locus in subselliis occupatur; plenum est tribunal; iudices omnia illius verba audire cupientes silentium significant. Oculi omnium ad illum vertuntur. Tum multae admirationes, multae laudes. Orator animos audientium tangit. Ubi cupit eos metu aut misericordia moveri, metu aut misericordia oppressi terrentur aut flent.

10 De oratore, etiam si tu non adsidens et attentē audiens, sed unō aspectū et praeteriens eum aspexeris, saepe iudicare poteris. Vidēbis iudicem oscitantem, loquentem cum altero, non numquam etiam errantem, mittentem ad horas, verba ab oratore dicta neglegentem. Haec causa caret verō oratore, qui potest animos iudicum movere oratione. Si autem erectos iudices videris, qui de re doceri
15 vidēbuntur aut suspēnsi tenēbuntur, ut cantū aliquo avēs, cognoscēs signa verī oratoris et laborem oratorium bene gerentis.

—adapted from Cicero, *Brutus* 200, 290

VOCABULARY:

surgō, -ere, surrēxī, surrēctus: to rise

causam dīcere: to plead a case

subsellium, -iī, n.: bench, seat (in the lawcourt)

occupō (1): to seize, occupy

tribūnal, -ālis, n.: raised platform for magistrates' chairs (in the lawcourt)

silentium, -iī, n.: silence; **silentium significāre** = to signal for silence, call for silence

multae admiratiōnēs, multae laudēs: supply **sunt** twice
admiratiō, -ōnis, f.: expression of admiration, applause

misericordia, -ae, f.: pity, mercy

fleō, -ēre, flēvī, flētus: to weep

adsideō, -ēre, assēdī, assessus: to sit near

attentē (adverb): attentively (from **attentus, -a, -um**)

aspectus, -ūs, m.: look, glance

praetereō, -īre, -iī, -itus: to pass by, go by

aspiciō, -ere, -spēxī, -spectus: to catch sight of, see

ōscitō (1): to yawn

loquor, loquī, locūtus sum: to speak (**loquentem** = present active participle)

mittere ad horas: to send (someone) to find out the time

erigō, -ere, -rēxī, -rēctus: to raise up, excite, arouse

suspendō, -ere, -pendī, -pēnsus: to hang up, suspend (**suspēnsi** = hung, i.e. hanging on his words)

ut (conjunction): as, just as

cantus, -ūs, m.: song, birdcall

avis, avis, f.: bird

cognōscō, -ere, -nōvī, -nitus: to recognize

oratorius, -a, -um: oratorical

gerentis: genitive participle modifying **oratoris**; its object is **laborem oratorium**

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CAESAR'S CAMP IS ATTACKED BY BELGIANS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Ablative Absolute; Passive
Periphrastic; Dative of Agent*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 24

This is an excerpt from Caesar's commentaries on his military campaigns in Gaul (58–51 B.C.). Although it is written in a seemingly objective third-person style, it puts emphasis on Caesar's skill and courage as a leader.

Caesar, equitātū praemissō, sex legiōnēs dūcēbat; post
eās tōtū exercitū impedimenta collocāverat; equitēs
nostrī, flūmine trānsitō, cum hostium equitātū proelium
commīsērunt. Illī identidem in silvās ad suōs sē recipiē-
bant ac rursus ex silvā in nostrōs impetum faciēbant.
Nostrī tantum ad finem silvae īnsequī eōs audēbant.
Interim legiōnēs sex, ubi primum vēnērunt, armīs dēposi-
tīs, castra mūnīre coepērunt. Ubi prīma impedimenta
nostrī exercitū ab eīs quī in silvīs latēbant vīsa sunt,
omnibus cum cōpiīs prōvolāvērunt impetumque in nostrōs
equitēs fēcērunt. Equitibus facile pulsīs, incredibilī cele-
ritāte ad flūmen cucurrērunt. Itaque ūnō tempore et ad
silvās et in flūmine et in manibus nostrīs hostēs vidēban-
tur. Eādem celeritāte ad nostra castra atque eōs quī in
labōre occupātī erant cucurrērunt.

Caesarī omnia ūnō tempore erant agenda: vexil-
lum pōnendum, signum tubā dandum, quod eōs iussit
arma tollere; ā labōre revocandī militēs; aciēs paranda.
Quārum rērum magnam partem brevitās temporis et
hostium adventus impediēbat. Itaque ducēs, propter propinquitātem et celeritātem hostium, Caesaris imperium
nōn exspectābant, sed per sē ea quae vidēbantur faciēbant.

—adapted from Caesar, *The Gallic War* 2.19–20

VOCABULARY:

equitātus, -ūs, m.: cavalry	
legiō, -ōnis, f.: legion, unit of the Roman army	
exercitus, -ūs, m.: army	
impedimentum, -ī, n.: hindrance, baggage	
collocō (1): to place, arrange, station	
eques, -quitis, m.: horseman, cavalryman	
trānsēō, -īre, -īī, -ītus: to go across, cross	
proelium, -iī, n.: battle (proelium committere = to engage in battle)	
identidem (adverb): repeatedly, again and again	
silva, -ae, f.: forest, woods (same meaning in sg. and pl.)	
sē recipere: to retreat	
rursus (adverb): back, back again	5
impetus, -ūs, m.: attack, assault	
tantum (adverb): only	
īnsequor, -sequī, -secūtus sum: to pursue (translate actively)	
interim (adverb): meanwhile	
arma, -ōrum, n. pl.: arms, weapons	
dēpōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to lay aside, put down	
castra, -ōrum, n. pl.: military camp	
mūniō, -īre, -ivī, -ītus: to fortify	
lateō, -ēre, latuī: to lie hidden, hide	
prōvolō (1): to fly out, rush forth	10
facile (adverb): easily	
celeritās, -tātis, f.: speed, haste	
ad silvās: near the woods	
occupō (1): to seize, occupy	15
vexillum, -ī, n.: military banner, flag, standard	
tuba, -ae, f.: trumpet, war trumpet	
quod: subject of iussit ; its antecedent is signum	
aciēs, -ēī, f.: sharp edge, line of battle	
quārum = hārum	
adventus, -ūs, m.: approach, arrival	20
impediō, -īre, -ivī, -ītus: to hinder	
propinquitās, -tātis, f.: nearness, proximity	
per sē: by themselves, on their own authority	
videor, -ērī, vīsus sum: to seem, to seem best	

THE CHARACTER OF CATILINE'S FOLLOWERS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Infinitives;
Indirect Statement

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 25

This passage comes from the second of Cicero's speeches against Catiline. Although Catiline has left Rome, several of his followers have remained in the city, where, according to Cicero, they pose a threat to the security of the state.

Sed cūr tam diū dē ūnō hoste (Catilinā) dīcimus, et dē eō
hoste quī iam dīcit sē esse hostem, et quem, quod mūrus
interest, nōn timeō: dē hīs, quī in mediā urbe, quī nōbīs-
cum sunt, nihil dīcimus? Expōnam enim vōbīs, ō cīvēs,
5 genera hominum ex quibus istae cōpiāe parantur. Ūnum
genus est eōrum quī magnō in aere aliēnō magnās etiam
possessiōnēs habent, quārum amōre adductī dissolvī nūllō
modō possunt. Sed hōs hominēs nōn putō timendōs
(esse), quod dēdūcī dē sentiētiā (suā) possunt.
10 Alterum genus est eōrum quī, quamquam premuntur
aere aliēnō, imperium tamen exspectant atque honōrēs
quōs, rē pūblicā perturbātā, cōsequī sē posse putant. Qui-
bus hoc non spērandum est. Nam illīs hoc intellegendum
est: primum omnium mē ipsum vigilāre, adesse, prōvidēre
15 rē pūblicae; deinde magnōs animōs esse in bonīs virīs,
magnam concordiam ōrdinum, maximam multitudinem,
magnās mīlitum cōpiās; deōs dēnique immortālēs huic
invictō populō, clārō imperiō, pulchrae urbī contrā tantam
vim sceleris auxilium esse datūrōs. Num illī in cinere urbis
20 et in sanguine cīvium sē cōsulēs aut dictātōrēs aut etiam
rēgēs spērant futūrōs (esse)?

—adapted from Cicero, *Against Catiline* 2.17–19

VOCABULARY:

tam (adverb): so

Catilinā, -ae, m.: Catiline, conspirator thwarted by Cicero in 63 B.C.

mūrus, -ī, m.: city wall (Catiline has fled from Rome)

intersum, -esse, -fuī, -futūrus: to be between, lie between (us)

expōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to set forth, explain

5

aes aliēnum, aeris aliēnī, n.: debt ("another's money")

quārum amōre adductī: "induced by love of which"

addūcō, -ere, -dūxī, -ductus: to induce, persuade

dissolvō, -ere, -solvī, -solūtus: to free (from debt)

dēdūcō, -ere, -dūxī, -ductus: to lead away, dissuade

10

quamquam (conjunction): although

honor, -ōris, m.: honor, public office

perturbō (1): to disturb, throw into confusion

cōsequī: to acquire (present infinitive of a deponent verb; translate actively)

posse: translate as if it were a future infinitive

quibus = illīs hominibus

primum ... deinde ... dēnique ...: 3 indirect statements

vigilō (1): to be watchful, be awake, be vigilant

adsum, -esse, -fuī, -futūrus: to be present to help, to assist

15

concordia, -ae, f.: harmony, concord

ōrdō, -dinis, m.: rank, order, socio-economic class

maximus, -a, -um: very great, greatest

dēnique (adverb): finally, last (in a list)

invictus, -a, -um: invincible

tantus, -a, -um: so great, so large

auxilium, -iī, n.: aid, assistance

num: introduces a question expecting a negative answer ("they don't hope that they will be ... , do they?")

cinis, -neris, m.: ash, ashes

sanguis, -inis, m.: blood, bloodshed

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THE VIRTUES OF THE ORATOR CATO

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Comparison of Adjectives;

Declension of Comparatives; Ablative of Comparison

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 26

In this excerpt from the Brutus Cicero laments that the orators of his day show no interest in studying the "old-fashioned" works of Cato, a Roman orator from the preceding century, yet are eager to imitate the style of Greek orators from even earlier centuries.

Catōnem vērō quis nostrōrum ōrātōrum, quī nunc sunt, legit? aut quis eum nōvit? At quem virum, dī bonī! Mittō cīvem aut senātōrem aut imperātōrem; ōrātōrem enim hōc locō quaerimus; quis in laudandō est gravior illō? acerbior
5 in vituperandō? in sententiīs sapientior? in cōnfirmātiōne subtilior? Omnēs ōrātōriae virtūtēs in clārissimīs ōrātiōnibus eius invenientur. Iam vērō quem flōrem aut quem lūcem ēloquentiae *Orīginēs* eius nōn habent?

Cūr igitur Lysiās et Hyperidēs amantur dum ignōrā-
10 tur Catō? Antīquior est huius sermō et quaedam horridiōra verba. Ita enim tum loquēbantur. Sciō hunc ōrātōrem nōndum esse satis polītum et aliquid perfectius quaerendum esse. Nihil enim est simul et inventum et perfectum. Sed ea in nostrīs īncītia est, quod hī ipsī quī in litterīs
15 Graecīs antīquitāte dēlectantur, hanc in Catōne nē nōvērunt quidem. Hyperīdae volunt esse et Lysiāe; eōs laudō, sed cūr nōlunt Catōnēs (esse)?

—adapted from Cicero, *Brutus* 65–70

VOCABULARY:

Catō, -ōnis, m.: famous Roman orator & statesman, lived 234–149 B.C.

vērō (adverb): in truth, indeed

nōscō, -ere, nōvī, nōtus: to become acquainted with; (in perfect tense) know

quem virum: accusative of exclamation

mittō: I omit, pass over, do not mention

senātor, -tōris, m.: senator

in laudandō: in praising (**laudandō** is a gerund)

vituperō (1): to blame, censure; **in vituperandō** = in blaming (**vituperandō** is a gerund) 5

cōnfirmātiō, -ōnis, f.: a verifying of facts, an adducing of proofs

subtilis, -e: fine, thin, precise

ōrātōrius, -a, -um: oratorical

ōrātiō, -ōnis, f.: speech

iam vērō: furthermore

flōs, flōris, m.: flower, blossom

Orīginēs: *Origins*, title of a history of Rome written by Cato

Lysiās (pl. = **Lysiāe**), **Hyperidēs** (pl. = **Hyperīdae**): famous Athenian orators from the 5th & 4th centuries B.C., respectively

ignōrō (1): to ignore, not know, not acknowledge

sermō, -ōnis, m.: conversation, talk 10

horridus, -a, -um: shaggy, rough, unpolished

ita (adverb): in such a way, thus, so

loquor, loquī, locūtus sum (deponent verb): to speak (translate actively even though it is passive in form)

nōndum (adverb): not yet

polītus, -a, -um: polished, refined

simul (adverb): at the same time

nostrīs = nostrīs ōrātōribus

īncītia, -ae, f.: ignorance

quod: the fact that (**quod** clause explains **ea ... īncītia**)

antīquitās, -tātis, f.: ancientness, primitive simplicity 15

nē ... quidem: not even

volō, velle, voluī: to want, wish

nōlō, nōlle, nōluī: to not want, not wish, refuse

OLD AGE IS NOT A TIME FOR DESPAIR

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Special & Irregular Comparison of Adjectives

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 27

Cicero wrote his philosophical treatise On Old Age not long before his death; in it he argues that one's later years can be productive and happy.

5 **Ō** miserrimum senem, quī mortem contemnendam esse in tam longā aetate nōn videt! Mors aut plānē neglegenda est, sī exstinguit animum, aut etiam optanda est, sī aliquō animum dēdūcit ubi erit aeternus. Quid igitur timeō, sī aut
10 nōn miserrimus post mortem, aut beātissimus etiam erō? At spērat adulēscēns diū sē victūrum esse; spērāre idem senex nōn potest. Īnsipienter autem adulēscēns spērat; quid enim stultius quam incerta prō certīs habēre, falsa prō vērīs? Senex, cui sunt nūllae spēs, beātior tamen est quam
15 adulēscēns, et minōrēs cūrās habet, quoniam id quod ille (adulēscēns) spērat iam hic (senex) habet; ille cupit diū vīvere, hic diū vīxit.

Quamquam, ō dī bonī, quid est “diū” in hominis nātūrā? Nam etiam sī quis diūtissimē vīxerit (fuit, ut
15 scrīptum videō, Arganthōnius quīdam, quī centum vīgintī annōs vīxerat), mihi nōn diūturnum vidētur quicquam in quō est aliquid extrēmum. Hōrae quidem cēdunt et diēs et mēnsēs et annī, nec praeteritum tempus umquam revocātur nec futūrum scīrī potest. Tempus quod nōbīs datur, eō
20 dēbēmus fēlicēs esse et contentī.

—adapted from Cicero, *On Old Age* 66–69

VOCABULARY:

senem: accusative of exclamation

contemnō, -ere, -temp̄sī, -temptus: to despise, make light of

plānē (adverb): plainly, completely

optō (1): to choose, wish for

aliquō: to some place (construe with **ubi**)

erit: subject = **animus**

5

īnsipienter (adverb): foolishly

quid: supply **est**

incertus, -a, -um: uncertain

prō ... habēre: to hold, regard something (in the accusative; here **incerta** and **falsa**) as a substitute for something else (in the ablative; here **certīs** and **vērīs**)

falsus, -a, -um: false

10

quamquam (conjunction): however, nevertheless, although

quis (after **sī**) = **aliquis**

diūtissimē (adverb): for a very long time

Arganthōnius, -iī, m.: a Spanish king mentioned in Herodotus' *Histories*

15

diūturnus, -a, -um: long

quisquam, quicquam (indefinite pronoun): anyone, anything (**quicquam** = subject of **vidētur**)

quidem (adverb): indeed

cēdō, -ere, cessī, cessus: to depart, pass away

aliquid extrēmum: something ultimate, i.e. a limit, an end

mēnsis, -is, m.: month

praetereō, -īre, -iī, -itus: to pass, pass by, elapse

eō = eō tempore quod nōbīs datur

contentus, -a, -um: satisfied with (+ ablative)

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TWO LOVE POEMS BY CATULLUS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Subjunctive Mood: Present Subjunctive;
Jussive & Purpose Clauses*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 28

Catullus wrote over one hundred lyric poems on a variety of subjects; those poems chronicling his love affair with Lesbia are among the most inspired.

Vivāmus, mea Lesbia, atque amēmus; omnēsque rūmōrēs
senum graviōrum aestimēmus ūnīus assis. Sōlēs occidere
et redīre possunt; ubi semel occidit haec brevissima lūx,
ūna nox perpetua nōbīs est dormienda. Dā mihi bāsia
5 mīlle, deinde centum; deinde mīlle altera, deinde secunda
centum: deinde, ubi plūrima bāsia fēcerimus, conturbēmus
illa, nē sciāmus numerum bāsiorum, aut nē quis malus
numerum invenīre possit atque invidēre.

—adapted from Catullus, Poem 5

Mihi prōpōnis, mea vīta, iūcundum amōrem nostrum fu-
10 tūrum esse perpetuum. Dī magnī, id sincērē Lesbia dīcat et
ex animō, ut possīmus tōtam vītam agere in hāc fēlicissimā
amīcitiā!

—adapted from Catullus, Poem 109

VOCABULARY:

Lesbia, -ae, f.: name of Catullus' fickle girlfriend

rūmor, -ōris, m.: rumor, talk

aestimō (1): to estimate, value

as, assis, m.: copper coin of little weight, "penny" (**assis** = genitive of value)

occidō, -ere, -cidī, -cāsus: to fall down, set

redeō, -īre, -iī, -itus: to go back, return

semel (adverb): once

dormiō, -īre, -ivī, -itus: to sleep

5

conturbō (1): to throw into confusion, put into disorder

quis (after **nē**) = **aliquis**

possit: pres. subjunctive of **possum**

invidēō, -ēre, -vidī, -vīsus: to envy, be jealous

prōpōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to put forward, propose

sincērē (adverb): sincerely, honestly

10

ex animō: from the heart

possīmus: pres. subjunctive of **possum**

QUINTILIAN PRAISES THE ORATORY OF CICERO

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Imperfect Subjunctive; Present &
Imperfect Subjunctive of Sum & Possum;
Result Clauses*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 29

Quintilian, a renowned teacher and critic of oratory in the first century A.D., here compares Cicero favorably with Demosthenes and other Greek models of eloquence.

Ōrātōrēs vērō Rōmānī ēloquentiam Latīnam Graecae
parem facere possunt; nam Cicerōnem oppōnam cuicum-
que eōrum, etiam Dēmōsthenī. Hōrum ego virtūtēs putō
5 quae sunt inventiōnis. In ēloquentiā est aliqua dīversitās:
dēnsior ille, hic cōpiōsior, pugnat ille acūmine semper, hic
pondere, cūrae plūs in illō, in hōc plūs nātūrae. M. Tullius
autem mihi vidētur effīnxisse vim Dēmōsthenis, cōpiam
10 Platōnis, iūcunditātem Īsocratis. Nam quis docēre dīligen-
tius, movēre vehementius potest? Cui tanta iūcunditās
umquam fuit ut iūdicem etiam gravissimum movēre
posset? Iam in omnibus quae dīcit tanta auctōritās inest ut
dissentīre pudeat et fidem nōn advocātī sed testis habēre
ille videātur. Nōn immeritō igitur ab aetātis suae homini-
15 bus rēgnāre in iūdicīis Cicerō dictus est, et posterī tantam
glōriam eī dant ut Cicerō iam nōn hominis nōmen, sed
ēloquentiae habeātur. Hunc igitur spectēmus; hoc exem-
plum nōbīs prōpositum sit; ille sē prōfēcisse sciat, quī
didicit Cicerōnem dīligere.

—adapted from Quintilian 10.1.105–112

VOCABULARY:

- ēloquentia, -ae, f.:** eloquence, speaking ability
pār, paris: equal, like (+ dative)
oppōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to match someone (in the accusative)
with someone else (in the dative)
oppōnam cuicumque: potential subjunctive (“I would match with
anyone”)
Dēmōsthenēs, -is, m.: famous Greek orator
ōrdō, -dinis, m.: order, arrangement (of ideas)
inventiō, -ōnis, f.: invention, creativity (**quae sunt inventiōnis** =
which are connected with invention) 5
dīversitās, -tātis, f.: difference, diversity
dēnsus, -a, -um: thick, condensed, concise
ille = Demosthenes; **hic** = Cicero
cōpiōsus, -a, -um: abundant, rich, full
acūmen, -minis, n.: sharpness, cunning, subtlety
pondus, -deris, n.: weight, authority
effīngō, -ere, -fīnxī, -fictus: to express, represent
Platō, -ōnis, m.: famous Greek philosopher
iūcunditās, -tātis, f.: pleasantness, delight, charm
Īsocratēs, -is, m.: famous Greek orator
dīligentius: more carefully (from **dīligēns, -entis**)
vehementius: more emphatically (from **vehemēns, -entis**) 10
auctōritās, -tātis, f.: authority
īnsum, inesse, īnfuī, īnfutūrus: to be in, be found in
dissentīō, -īre, -sēnsī, -sēnsus: to disagree
pudet (impersonal, used with infinitive): it is shameful
advocātus, -ī, m.: advocate, legal counselor
testis, -is, m. or f.: eye-witness (**testis** here = genitive)
immeritō (adverb): undeservedly, unjustly
rēgnō (1): to rule, reign 15
iūdicium, -iī, n.: trial, law court
posterī, -ōrum, m. pl.: descendants, posterity
spectō (1): to look at, regard
exemplum, -ī, n.: example, model
prōpōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to set something (in the accusative)
before someone (in the dative)

PLINY WRITES TO HIS FRIENDS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Perfect & Pluperfect Subjunctive;
Indirect Questions;
Sequence of Tenses

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 30

Pliny's letters are an invaluable source of information about Roman high society in the late first century A.D.

Suscēnsēō; nesciō an dēbeam, sed suscēnsēō. Scīs quam
inīquus interdum, quam impotēns saepe, quam querulior
semper sit amor. Nesciō an haec causa sit iūsta; magna
tamen est, et ego graviter suscēnsēō, quod fuērunt ā tē tam
5 diū litterae nūllae. Exōrāre mē potes ūnō modō, sī nunc
saltem plūrimās et longissimās litterās mīseris. Haec mihi
sōla excūsātiō vēra, cēterae falsae vidēbuntur. Nōn sum
auditūrus “nōn eram in urbe” vel “occupātor eram”; nec
dī sinant ut audiam “infīrmior.” Cōgitā quantam cūram
10 tibi habeam. Scīre cupiō quid faciās et fēceris. Nunc
plūrimās et longissimās litterās mitte! Valē!

—adapted from Pliny, *Epistles* 2.2

Diū nōn librum in manūs, nōn stilum sūmpsi; diū nesciō
quid sit ōtium, quid quiēs, quid dēnique illud iners, iūcun-
dum tamen nihil agere, nihil esse: tam multa mē negōtia
15 amīcōrum nec Rōmā sēcēdere nec litterīs studēre patiuntur.
Nūlla enim studia tantī sunt, ut amīcitiāe officium negle-
gātur. Valē!

—adapted from Pliny, *Epistles* 8.9

VOCABULARY:

suscēnsēō, -ēre, -cēnsuī, -cēnsus: to be angry

an: whether (introducing an indirect question)

inīquus, -a, -um: unfair, unjust

interdum (adverb): at times, sometimes

impotēns, -entis: out of control, immoderate

querulior: rather prone to complain (about trifles)

causa: supply īrae (genitive)

iūstus, -a, -um: fair, just

graviter (adverb): deeply, severely

exōrō (1): to win over (by begging), appease

saltem (adverb): at least (modifying **nunc**)

mīseris: from mittō

excūsātiō, -ōnis, f.: way of making amends, means of apologizing

vel (conjunction): or

occupātus, -a, -um: occupied, busy

nec ... sinant: subjunctive expressing a wish (“may they not allow,
may they forbid”)

sinō, -ere, sīvī, situs: to allow (+ **ut** clause as direct object, “that...”)

infīrmus, -a, -um: weak, ill

stilus, -ī, m.: stylus, instrument for writing on wax tablets

sūmō, -ere, sūmpsi, sūmptus: to take up, lay hold of

quiēs, -ētis, f.: rest, repose

illud: modifies each infinitive phrase: “that ... (state of) doing nothing,
that ... (state of) being nothing”

iners, -ertis: inactive, idle

negōtium, -iī, n.: business, affair

Rōmā: ablative of place from which

sēcēdō, -ere, -cessī, -cessus: to withdraw, retire

studeō, -ēre, studuī: to study, pursue (+ dative)

patior, patī, passus sum: to allow, permit (translate actively)

tantī: genitive of value (“of so much worth”)

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LUCRETIA: PARAGON OF VIRTUE

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Cum Clauses; Ferō

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 31

Livy, in the first part of his history of Rome, describes the downfall of the kings and the establishment of the republic. The following incident hastened the overthrow of Rome's final king, Tarquin the Proud.

Rōma regēbātur ā tyrannō superbō, cuius filius erat Sextus Tarquinius. Quādam nocte cum Tarquinius vīnum biberet cum amīcīs, coepērunt quisque uxōrem suam laudāre. Collātīnus dīxit suam Lucrētiam omnibus cēterīs praestāre:
5 "Nōs cōnferāmus ad meās aedēs videāmusque quid mea uxor nunc agat. Tum sciētis quantō melior sit mea Lucrētia quam aliae." Omnēs respondērunt, "Discēdāmus!" Cum ad illās aedēs vēnissent, fidēlem Lucrētiam nōn lūdētem, sed lānam dūcentem invēnērunt. Sextus, cum vidēret
10 quam pulchra et pudīca Lucrētia esset, malō amōre captus est. Paucīs diēbus post, cum abesset Collātīnus, iste revēnit. Cum cēna oblāta esset, in hospitāle cubiculum ductus est. Mediā nocte ad dormientem Lucrētiam vēnit: "Tacē!" inquit. "Sextus Tarquinius sum; ferrum in manū ferō. Cēde mihi
15 aut tē necābō!" Cum Lucrētia necārī māllet, dēnique tamen vīcit Sextus eius pudīcitiā. Tum discessit. Sed Lucrētia omnia haec narrāvit Collātīnō, quī iūrāvit sē Sextum necātūrum esse. Tum Lucrētia sē necāvit, nē aliīs uxōribus vidērētur malō exemplō esse: "Ego mē culpā absolvō, sed
20 poenā nōn liberō," occidēns dīxit.

—adapted from Livy 1.57.6–58.11

VOCABULARY:

Sextus Tarquinius, -īī, m.: son of Rome's seventh and last king, L. Tarquinius Superbus (ousted in 509 B.C.)

coepērunt quisque: quisque is often used with a plural verb

Collātīnus, -ī, m.: a noble Roman

Lucrētia, -ae, f.: Collatinus' wife

aedēs, -ium, f. pl.: house

quantō: ablative of degree of difference ("by how much")

lūdō, -ere, lūsī, lūsus: to play

lāna, -ae, f.: wool (dūcere lānam = to spin wool)

paucīs diēbus: ablative of degree of difference ("by a few days")

post (adverb): afterwards, later

absum, abesse, āfuī, āfutūrus: to be away

hospitālis, -e: relating to a guest

cubiculum, -ī, n.: bedroom

mālō, mālle, māluī: to wish rather, prefer

pudīcitiā, -ae, f.: chastity

iūrō (1): to swear, take an oath

exemplum, -ī, n.: example, model; exemplō esse = to serve as a model (dative of purpose)

absolvō, -ere, -solvī, -solūtus: to loosen, free

liberō: supply mē as the object

VERGIL PRAISES THE RUSTIC LIFE

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Formation & Comparison of Adverbs;

Volō, Mālō, Nōlō; Proviso Clauses

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 32

In the Georgics, called by Dryden "the best Poem of the best Poet," Vergil urges a return to traditional Roman values, as exemplified by the virtuous, pristine way in which the Roman farmer and his family live.

5 Ō nimium fortūnātōs agricolās, quibus facilem vīctum
dīvitissima terra volēns fundit! Ōtium iūcundum, agrī
longē patentēs, spēluncae vīvīque lacūs, mūgītūque boum
dulgēsque sub arbore somnī ab eīs nōn absunt. Inter eōs
iūra et lēgēs diūtius manent; scelera prohibentur. Vivit
fēliciter quī ratiōne potuit causās rērum cognōscere atque
lūce scientiae metūs omnēs et pessimās cūrās ex suā mente
expulit. Neque bella ācria illum terrent, neque saevī exer-
citūs, neque cētera perīcula quae saepissimē hominēs ti-
10 ment. Dīvitiās et honōrēs ille nōn tam fortiter amat, ut velit
beneficia vītae rūsticae amittere. Cum pauper sit, tamen ille
sibi vidētur pār rēgibus, cum filiī parvī illius ad eum
celeriter accurrunt et cāra ōscula liberrimē offerunt. Huic
dī immortalēs, fidēliter cultī, pācem perpetuam dant. Vī-
15 tam similiter beātam quondam ēgērunt Rōmulus et Remus.

—adapted from Vergil, *Georgics* 2.458ff.

VOCABULARY:

fortūnātōs agricolās: accusative of exclamation

vīctus, -ūs, m.: food, sustenance, means of living

fundō, -ere, fūdī, fūsus: to pour forth

spēlunca, -ae, f.: cave, grotto

lacus, -ūs, m.: lake

mūgītus, -ūs, m.: lowing, bellowing, mooing

bōs, bovis (genitive pl. = **boum**), m. or f.: ox, cow, cattle

arbor, arboris, f.: tree

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saevus, -a, -um: fierce, violent, savage

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rūsticus, -a, -um: rustic, rural, simple

accurrō, -ere, -currī, -cursus: to run up to

colō, -ere, coluī, cultus: to cultivate, worship

Rōmulus, -ī, m.: Romulus, founder of Rome

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Remus, -ī, m.: Remus, twin brother of Romulus

THE HELVETIANS PARLEY WITH CAESAR

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Conditions

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 33

Caesar here illustrates how he, as commander of the Roman forces in Gaul, deals with an arrogant adversary.

Contrā Helvētiōs, quī in agrōs populōrum vīcīnōrum invādēbant, Caesar bellum suscēpit. Cum potuisset ūnō diē pontem in Ararī facere et suum exercitum trādūcere, Helvētiī, quī diēbus vīgintī idem difficillimē cōfēcērant, lēgātōs ad eum mīsērunt. Hī ita dīxērunt: “Sī pācem populus Rōmānus nōbiscum faciet, in illīs fīnibus ubi volueris, manēbimus. Sed sī bellō nōs diūtius premere in animō habēs, cōgitā dē antiquā fāmā nostrā. Ita enim ā patribus māiōribusque nostrīs didicimus ut magis virtūte bellum gerāmus quam īnsidiīs. Quod sī contrā nōs tuum exercitum dūcās, nōn solum salūtem tuam, sed etiam honōrem populī Rōmānī certē āmittās.”

Hīs Caesar ita respondit: “Etiam sī vestrōrum priōrum vitiōrum memoriā dēpōnere possem, certē nōn possem ignōscere vestrīs novīs sceleribus. Nisi quōs obsidēs dabit, pācem vōbiscum nōn faciam.”

Helvētiī, sī Caesarī tum cessissent, meliōrem fortūnam invēnissent. Sed īsolenter respondērunt: “Nōbīs ā māiōribus nostrīs hic mōs trādītus est: Helvētiī obsidēs accipiunt, nōn dant.”

—adapted from Caesar, *The Gallic War* 1.13f.

VOCABULARY:

Helvētiī, -ōrum, m. pl.: Helvetians, one of the tribes living in ancient Gaul (now France and Switzerland)

vīcīnus, -a, -um: neighboring

invādō, -ere, -vāsī, -vāsus: to rush in, fall upon, seize

pōns, pontis, m.: bridge

Arar, Araris (ablative Ararī), m.: the river Arar (now Saône) which flows into the Rhône river

trādūcō, -ere, -dūxī, -ductus: to lead across, bring over

idem: i.e. ūnō diē pontem in Ararī facere

cōficiō, -ere, -fēcī, -fectus: to complete, finish

lēgātus, -ī, m.: legate, ambassador

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gerāmus: present subjunctive where imperfect might be expected; shows a result that holds true in the present time

10

quod sī: but if

dēpōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to lay aside

ignōscō, -ere, -nōvī, -nōtus: to pardon, overlook (+ dative)

15

obses, -sidis, m. or f.: hostage

īsolenter (adverb): arrogantly

SALLUST'S VIEW OF HUMAN NATURE

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

*Deponent Verbs; Ablative
with Special Deponents*

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 34

The Roman historian Sallust, in the preface to his monograph on the Catilinarian conspiracy, outlines the faculties possessed by human beings that make them superior to beasts.

Omnēs hominēs quī cupiunt praestāre cēterīs animālibus
summā ope nītī dēbent, nē vītā silentiō trānseant velutī
pecora, quae nātūra fīnxit prōna atque ventrī oboedientia.
Sed nostra omnis vīs in animō et corpore sita est; animī
5 imperiō, corporis servitiō ūtimur; alterum nōbīs cum dīs,
alterum cum bēluīs commūne est. Mihi rēctius vidētur
glōriam quaerere ingenīi quam vīrium opibus et, quoniam
vīta ipsa quā fruimur brevis est, memoriā nostrī quam
maximē longam efficere. Nam dīvitiārum et fōmae glōria
10 flūxa atque fragilis est; virtūs clāra aeternaque habētur.

Sed multī mortālēs, dēditī ventrī atque somnō, indoctī
incultīque vītā sicutī peregrīnantēs ēgērunt; quibus pro-
fectō contrā nātūram corpus voluptātī, anima onerī fuit.
Eōrum ego vītā mortemque iūxtā aestimō quoniam dē
15 utrāque silētur. Sed is dēmum mihi vīvere atque fruī animā
vidētur, quī aliquō negōtiō intentus praeclārī facinoris aut
artis bonae fāmam quaerit.

—adapted from Sallust, *War with Catiline* 1–2

VOCABULARY:

nītor, nītī, nīsus sum: to strive, make an effort

trānseō, -īre, -iī, -itus: to pass through

velutī (adverb): just as, just like

pecus, -oris, n.: cattle, herd

fingō, -ere, fīnxī, fictus: to form, fashion, make

prōnus, -a, -um: bent forward (i.e. not erect)

venter, -tris, m.: stomach, belly

oboediēns, -entis: obedient (+ dative)

situs, -a, -um: situated, placed, located

servitium, -iī, n.: service, servitude

alterum ... alterum: i.e. **animus** and **corpus**

bēlua, -ae, f.: beast

rēctus, -a, -um: straight, right, proper

quaerere ... et ... efficere: both infinitives depend on **vidētur**

ingenīi ... vīrium: both genitives depend on **opibus** (ablative of
means)

fruo, fruī, frūctus sum (+ ablative): to enjoy

quam maximē longam = quam longissimam

efficiō, -ere, -fēcī, -fectus: to bring about, achieve

fiūxus, -a, -um: flowing, changeable

fragilis, -e: fragile, perishable

aeternus, -a, -um: eternal, imperishable

dēditus, -a, -um: addicted to, given over to

indoctus, -a, -um: uneducated, ignorant

incultus, -a, -um: unsophisticated, not cultured

sicutī (adverb): just as, just like

peregrīnor (1): to travel around, sojourn

profectō (adverb): assuredly

voluptātī fuit: served as a source of pleasure (dative of purpose)

onus, -neris, n.: burden (**onerī** = dative of purpose)

iūxtā (adverb): near, close, i.e. similar

aestimō (1): to judge, estimate, consider

uterque, utraque, utrumque: each (of two), either one

silētur: it's kept silent, nothing's said

dēmum (adverb): at last, finally (at end of argument)

negōtium, -iī, n.: business, occupation

intentus, -a, -um: intent on (+ ablative)

facinus, -oris, n.: deed, act

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A CONVERSATION FROM ROMAN COMEDY

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Dative with Adjectives;

Dative with Special Verbs;

Dative with Compounds

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 35

Terence's Self-Punisher was first performed in Rome in 163 B.C. In this scene from the comedy, Menedemus explains to his neighbor Chremes why he is punishing himself by working so hard. Neither Menedemus nor Chremes is aware that Menedemus' son has returned from his stint in the army and is next door at Chremes' house, ready to resume his old love affair.

MENEDĒMUS: Filium ūnum adulēscēntem habēō. Āh, cūr dīxī mē habēre? Immō habuī, Chremē; nunc utrum habeam necne incertum est. CHREMĒS: Cūr? ME: Sciēs. Puellam pauperem ille nimis amāre coeperat. Illum semper ad-
5 monēbam: "Dēbēs, mī fili, studēre dīvitīs et honōribus, nōn falsīs lūdīs amōris. Ego, cum eram istud aetātis, praemia et glōriam in exercitū invēnī." Nunc Clīnia cum mīlitibus in Asiam discessit, ut rēgī serviāt et mihi placeat. CH: Quid ais? ME: Utinam nē eī persuāsissem! Meō filiō,
10 quem adiuvāre dēbēbam, gravissimē nocuī! Mihi ignōscere nōn possum. Itaque, dum Clīnia propter mē multa mala patitur, poenās ipse etiam dabō, in agrō labōrāns, opibus parcēns, illī absentī serviēns. CH: Ego arbitror tē nōn adversō in filium tuum ingeniō esse et illum quidem velle
15 tibi pārēre. Sed nec tū illum satis nōverās, nec tē ille. Tū illum numquam ostendistī quantū penderēs, nec tibi ille est ausus crēdere. Sed spērō illum tibi salvum adfutūrum esse. Tibi parce, Menedēme! Absēns filius tē hoc facere vult. ME: Tū nōn dēbēs mīrārī, sī labōrāre potius dēsīderō. CH: Sī ita
20 vīs, bene valē! ME: Et tū!

—adapted from Terence, *Self-Punisher* 93–167

VOCABULARY:

Menedēmus, -ī, m.: old man in Terence's *Self-Punisher*

immō: no, on the contrary; rather

Chremēs, -ētis (vocative Chremē), m.: Menedemus' neighbor

utrum ... -ne: whether ... or (double indirect question)

incertus, -a, -um: uncertain, unsure

5

falsīs lūdīs: deceitful games

istud aetātis: that of age, i.e. at that age of yours

Clīnia, -ae, m.: Menedemus' son

Asia, -ae, f.: Asia Minor

rēgī: one of the petty kings (successors to Alexander the Great) who hired Greek mercenaries to fight for them; the characters in Terence's plays are meant to be Greeks from the late 4th or early 3rd century B.C., not Romans of Terence's own lifetime (c. 190–159 B.C.)

ais: you say

utinam nē: would that ... not (introducing a contrary-to-fact negative wish)

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absēns, -entis: absent, away

adversō ... ingeniō: of a hostile disposition (ablative of quality) describing tē (Menedemus)

in: toward

nōverās: from nōscō

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illum (line 16): direct object of penderēs

pendō, -ere, pependī, pēnsus: to weigh, value, regard (+ genitive of value, "of how much worth")

crēdere: to confide in, put trust in

adsum, -esse, -fuī, -futūrus: to be present, be near, appear, come

potius (adverb): rather, preferably

A CRISIS IN ROMAN EDUCATION

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Jussive Noun Clauses; Fīō

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 36

Encolpius, narrator of Petronius' Satyricon, attacks the schools of his day (first century A.D.) on the grounds that the education they provide is totally irrelevant to the needs and experiences of the students.

“Ego discipulōs in scholīs stultissimōs fierī putō, quod nihil, ex hīs quae in ūsū habēmus, aut audiunt aut vident, sed hominēs plēnōs timōris petentēs ā pīrātīs nē sē in catēnās iniciant, sed tyrannōs ēdicta scribentēs quibus imperent filiīs ut capita patrum suōrum praecīdant, sed rēgēs orāculīs monitōs ut virginēs trēs immolent nē pestilentia gravior fiat. Quī inter haec aluntur nōn magis sapere possunt quam bene olēre quī in culīnā vīvunt! Levibus enim atque turpibus dēclāmātiōnibus magistrī effēcērunt ut corpus orātiōnis ēnervārētur et caderet. Certē neque Platō neque Dēmostenēs ad hoc genus exercitātiōnis accessit!”

Nōn est passus Agamemnōn mē diūtius orāre: “Ego magistrōs fateor in hīs exercitātiōnibus peccāre, sed debēmus eīs ignōscere. Nam nisi dixerint ea quae adulēscentibus placent, ut ait Cicerō, ‘sōlī in scholīs relinquuntur.’ Parentēs culpā dignī sunt, quī nōlunt liberōs suōs sevērā lēge discere. Nunc, ut puerī, in scholīs lūdunt; ut iuvenēs, ridentur in forō.”

—adapted from Petronius, *Satyricon* 1–4

VOCABULARY:

schola, -ae, f.: school

quod (conjunction): because

nihil ... sed ... sed ... sed: nothing but ... (but) ... (but) ...

ex hīs: of these things

ūsus, -ūs, m.: use, experience

hominēs ... tyrannōs ... rēgēs: accusative objects describing what the pupils do hear about in school

pīrāta, -ae, m.: pirate

sē: refers to **hominēs** (the people making the plea), not to **pīrātīs**

catēna, -ae, f.: chain

iniciō, -ere, -iēcī, -iectus: to throw into

ēdictum, -ī, n.: decree, edict

quibus imperent: relative clause of purpose

praecīdō, -ere, -cīdī, -cīsus: to cut off

orāculum, -ī, n.: oracle, divine utterance, prophecy

immolō (1): to sacrifice, kill as an offering to the gods

pestilentia, -ae, f.: pestilence, plague

quī ... quī: those who ... those who

oleō, -ēre, -uī: to smell (**bene olēre** = to smell good)

culīna, -ae, f.: kitchen

dēclāmātiō, -ōnis, f.: set theme for a practice speech
(**dēclāmātiōnibus** = ablative of means with **effēcērunt**)

effēcērunt ut: “have brought it about that, have caused ... to”

orātiō, -ōnis, f.: oratory, speech, eloquence

ēnervō (1): to remove sinews from, weaken

Platō, -ōnis, m.: famous Greek philosopher

Dēmostenēs, -is, m.: famous Greek orator

exercitātiō, -ōnis, f.: exercise, practice

Agamemnōn, -onis, m.: a rhetorician whom Encolpius meets

orāre: to plead (my case)

peccō (1): to sin, make a mistake, go wrong

liberī, -ōrum, m. pl.: children

sevērus, -a, -um: strict

ut puerī: as boys (i.e. when they are boys)

lūdō, -ere, lūsī, lūsus: to play

iuvenis, -is, m.: a youth, young adult

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HORACE MEETS A BOORISH FELLOW

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Conjugation of *Eō*; Constructions
of Place and Time

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 37

In his *Satires* the Roman poet Horace pokes gentle fun at the foibles of human nature.

Ībam Viā Sacrā, ut soleō, cōgitāns dē rēbus meīs. Occurrit quīdam nōtus mihi nōmine tantum, raptāque manū, “Quid agis?” ait. “Suāviter,” inquam. Cum ille sequeretur, ego, miserē discēdere quaerēns, modo ĩbam celerius, modo
5 cōsistēbam. Ille loquēbatur, viās et Rōmam laudāns. Ut illī nihil respondēbam, “Miserē cupis,” inquit, “abīre.” “Eō ad aedēs amīcī cuiusdam, longē trāns Tiberim,” inquam. “Nihil habeō quod agam, et nōn sum piger; sequar tē.” Vēnerāmus ad templum Vestae, quartā iam parte diēi
10 praeteritā, et ad litem illī respondendum erat; nisi hoc faciat, perdat litem. “Sī mē amās,” inquit, “manē hīc ut mē iuvēs!” “Peream, sī nōvī cīvīlia iūra,” inquam. “Quid faciam?” inquit. “Tēne relinquam an litem?” “Mē.” “Nōn faciam.” Deinde Aristius Fuscus, mihi cārus amīcus, occurrit. Manum eius rapiō, nūtāns, distorquēns oculōs, ut mē
15 ēripiat. “Certē habēs aliquid quod vīs loquī mēcum,” inquam. “Meminī bene, sed meliōre tempore dīcam; ignōscēs; necesse est mihi abīre.” Fugit et mē sub cultrō relinquit. Deinde occurrit illī adversārius: “Quō tū turpissime abīs?” magnā vōce clāmat, et “Licet tē antestārī?” Ego oppōnō auriculam. Rapit illum in iūs. Sīc mē servāvit Apollō.

—adapted from Horace, *Satires* 1.9

VOCABULARY:

Via Sacra: Sacred Way, road running through the Roman Forum (*Viā Sacrā* = ablative of the way by which)

occurrō, -ere, -currī, -cursus: to run to meet, run up

nōtus, -a, -um: known, familiar

tantum (adverb): only

miserē (adverb): miserably, terribly much

modo ... modo: now ... now; at one time ... at another time

cōsistō, -ere, -stitī, -stitus: to stop, halt

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aedēs, -ium, f. pl.: house

Tiberis, -is (accusative **Tiberim**), m.: Tiber River

nihil ... quod agam: nothing to do (relative clause of characteristic)

piger, pigra, pigrum: lazy, slow

templum, -ī, n.: temple

Vesta, -ae, f.: Vesta, goddess of the hearth

praetereō, -īre, -iī, -itus: to go by, pass

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līs, lītis, f.: lawsuit

sī mē amās: please (idiomatic expression)

respondendum erat: impersonal use of passive periphrastic (literally, “it had to be responded by him”)

perdō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to ruin, lose

cīvīlis, -e: civil

quid faciam? what am I to do? (deliberative subjunctive)

tē ... relinquam? am I to abandon you? (deliberative subjunctive)

-ne: introduces a double question

an: or (introduces second part of a double question)

Aristius Fuscus, -ī, m.: Horace’s friend

nūto (1): to nod, gesture

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distorqueō, -ēre, -torsī, -tortus: to twist apart, distort

meminī, -isse: to remember (perfect tense used for present)

necesse (indeclinable adjective): necessary

culter, -tri, m.: knife

adversārius, -iī, m.: opponent in a lawsuit

quō (interrogative adverb): to what place, whither?

clāmō (1): to call, cry out

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antestor (1): to call as a witness; understand **tē** (= Horace) as object of the infinitive

oppōnō auriculam: “I offer my earlobe for him to touch” to show that Horace agrees to be a witness against the man

Apollō, -līnis, m.: Apollo, god of poetry and poets

CICERO SPEAKS ABOUT THE NATURE OF THE SOUL

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Relative Clauses of Characteristic;
Dative of Reference; Supines

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 38

Near the end of his life Cicero wrote the *Tusculan Disputations*, a philosophical discourse examining the essential ingredients of happiness. In the following passage he discusses the divine nature of the soul. These are Cicero's own words with very slight editing: only one short phrase has been omitted.

Animōrum nūlla in terrīs orīgō invenīrī potest. Nihil enim est in animīs mixtum atque concrētum, aut quod ex terrā nātum atque fictum esse videātur, nihil nē aut ūmidum quidem aut flābile aut igneum. Hīs enim in nātūrīs nihil inest quod vim memoriae, mentis, cōgitātiōnis habeat, quod et praeterita teneat et futūra prōvideat et complectī possit praesentia, quae sōla dīvīna sunt. Singulāris est igitur quaedam nātūra atque vīs animī sēiūncta ab hīs ūsitātīs nōtisque nātūrīs. Ita, quicquid est illud quod sentit, quod sapit, quod vīvit, quod vigeat, caeleste et dīvīnum ob eamque rem aeternum sit necesse est. Nec vērō deus ipse, quī intellegitur ā nōbīs, aliō modō intellegī potest nisi mēns solūta quaedam et libera, sēgregāta ab omnī concrētiōne mortālī, omnia sentiēns et movēns ipsaque praedita mōtū sempiternō. Hōc ē genere atque eādē ē nātūrā est hūmāna mēns.

—adapted from Cicero, *Tusculan Disputations* 1.66

VOCABULARY:

terrīs: i.e. the earth (as opposed to **caelum**); in line 2 **terrā** = earth (in the sense of solid matter)

orīgō, -ginis, f.: source, origin

miscēō, -ēre, miscuī, mixtus: to mix, mingle

concrētus, -a, -um: firm, concrete, solid

quod: its antecedent is **nihil**

figō, -ere, fīnxī, fictus: to form, make, shape

nē ... quidem: strengthens **nihil**

ūmidus, -a, -um: wet, liquid

flābilis, -e: airy

igneus, -a, -um: fiery

nātūrīs: here refers to the four elements (earth, water, air, and fire) of which human beings were thought to be composed

cōgitātiō, -ōnis, f.: deliberation, thought

praeteritus, -a, -um: past, gone by

complector, -plectī, -plexus: to embrace, grasp, comprehend

quae = those abilities described in the **quod** clause

singulāris, -e: singular, unique

sēiūnctus, -a, -um: separated, distinct

ūsītātus, -a, -um: customary, usual, ordinary

nōtus, -a, -um: known, familiar

nātūrīs: here again refers to the four elements

vigeō, -ēre, viguī: to thrive, be lively

caelestis, -e: heavenly, celestial

ob (preposition + accusative): because of, on account of; **ob eamque rem** = **et ob eam rem**

sit: the subject of **sit** is **quicquid est illud quod ... vigeat**

necesse (indeclinable adjective): necessary (supply **ut** before **sit**; that **ut** clause is the subject of **necesse est**)

quī intellegitur ā nōbīs: i.e. to the extent that the divine being is grasped by us

nisi mēns ... quaedam: supply **est**

solūtus, -a, -um: loosened, unfettered

sēgregō (1): to segregate, separate

concrētiō, -ōnis, f.: material

praeditus, -a, -um: endowed (with)

motus, -ūs, m.: motion, movement

sempiternus, -a, -um: everlasting, eternal

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CICERO EVALUATES TWO FAMOUS ROMAN ORATORS

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

Gerund & Gerundive

WHEELOCK: CHAPTER 39

M. Antonius and L. Crassus were the leading orators of their age; Cicero, who, as a youth, had heard them speak in the forum, greatly admired their skills and regarded them as exemplars.

M. Antōnius, quasi imperātor cōpiās suās collocāns, omnia verba ponēbat in maximē opportūnis suae ōrātiōnis partibus. Gestibus nōn verbōrum exprimendōrum, sed sententiārum illūminandārum causā ūtēbātur. Etsī vōx eius
5 subrauca nātūrā, etiam hoc vitium in bonum convertēbātur. Habēbat enim flēbile quiddam aptumque et ad fidem faciendam et ad misericordiam movendam. Ōrātōrī animōrum flectendōrum cupidō āctiōnem necesse est, ut Dēmōsthenēs ait, in dīcendō plūrimī aestimāre.

10 Equidem etsī Antōniō tantam laudem dō quantam iam dīxī, tamen in L. Crassō erat summa gravitās, erat cum gravitāte iūncta Latīnē loquendī ēlegantia. Nam ut Antōnius aut sēdandīs animīs aut excitandīs incrēdibilem vim habēbat, sīc in interpretandō, in dēfīniendō, in explicandā
15 aequitāte nēmō erat melior quam Crassus. Id in Mānīi Curīi causā cognitum est. Ita enim multa tum contrā scrīptum prō aequitāte Crassus dīxit ut hominem sapientissimum Q. Scaevolam vinceret argūmentōrum exemplōrumque cōpiā. Quārē ēloquentium iūrisperītissimus
20 Crassus, iūrisperītōrum ēloquentissimus Scaevola esse putābātur.

—adapted from Cicero, *Brutus* 139–145

VOCABULARY:

Marcus Antōnius, -iī, m.: orator, consul in 99 B.C.

collocō (1): to arrange, station, deploy

opportūnus, -a, -um: advantageous

gestus, -ūs, m.: gesture

exprimō, -ere, -pressī, -pressus: to represent

illūminō (1): to light up, make clear, adorn

vōx ... subrauca: supply erat

subraucus, -a, -um: rather hoarse, husky-sounding

habēbat: supply vōx as subject

flēbilis, -e: tearful (flēbile quiddam = something doleful)

aptus, -a, -um: fit, suitable (+ ad = for)

misericordia, -ae, f.: pity, mercy

flectō, -ere, flexī, flexus: to bend

cupidō: modifies ōrātōrī

āctiō, -ōnis, f.: action (of an orator), delivery

necesse est: construe with dative (ōrātōrī) and infinitive

Dēmōsthenēs, -is, m.: famous Greek orator

plūrimī aestimāre: to consider of very much worth, to regard as most valuable

equidem (adverb): indeed, truly

Lūcius Crassus, -ī, m.: orator, consul in 95 B.C.

gravitās, -tātis, f.: weight, dignity

ut ... sīc: as ... so

sēdō (1): to soothe, calm

excitō (1): to arouse, provoke

interpretor (1): to explain, interpret

dēfīniō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to describe exactly, define

explicō (1): to give an account of, unfold

aequitās, -tātis, f.: fairness, spirit of the law

Mānius Curius, -iī, m.: litigant in a famous case

scrīptum, -ī, n.: written law, letter of the law

Quintus Scaevola, -ae, m.: lawyer, consul in 95 B.C.

argūmentum, -ī, n.: proof

exemplum, -ī, n.: example

ēloquent, -entis: eloquent

iūrisperītus, -a, -um: expert in the law

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HANNIBAL AND THE ROMANS

FIGHT TO A DRAW

GRAMMAR ASSUMED:

-Ne, Num, & Nonne in Direct Questions;
Fear Clauses; Genitive & Ablative of Description

WHEELLOCK: CHAPTER 40

Livy describes a hostile confrontation between Hannibal, the brilliant Carthaginian general, and the Roman consul Sempronius during the Second Punic War (218–201 B.C.).

Exercitum Hannibalis transeuntem Appenninum impediēbat ferōx tempestās: magnus imber ventō mixtus oppugnābat capita milītum, qui verēbantur ut tantam vim frīgoris ferre possent. Duos diēs eō locō sicut obsessi mansērunt. 5 Multī hominēs mortuī sunt, multa animālia: etiam perierunt septem elephantī ex iīs quī semper adhuc superāverant.

Dēgressus Appenninō Hannibal ad Placentiam castra mōvit et decem mīlia passuum prōgressus cōnsēdit. 10 Posterō diē duodecim mīlia peditum, quīnque equitum contrā hostem dūcit; nec Semprōnius cōsul fugit proelium. Atque eō diē tria mīlia passuum inter duo castra fuerunt; posterō diē magnīs animīs pugnāverunt. Primō vis Rōmānōrum ita superior fuit ut nōn solum vincerent, sed 15 pulsōs hostēs in castra sequerentur et castra oppugnārent. Iam nōna diēi hōra erat, cum Rōmānus dux, cum nūlla spēs esset capiendōrum castrōrum, milītibz imperāvit ut omninō sē reciperent. Hoc ubi Hannibal accēpit, extemplō, (equitibus ēmissis) in hostem ipse cum peditibus ē mediis 20 castris erūpit. Acriter pugnātum est, sed nox proelium dirēmit. Ab utrāque parte sescenti peditēs et trēcenti equitēs ceciderunt; sed māior Rōmānis iactūra fuit, quod equestris ordinis tot viri et tribūni milītum quīnque et praefecti sociōrum trēs sunt interfecti.

—adapted from Livy 21.58–59

VOCABULARY:

Hannibal, -alis, m.: Carthaginian military leader, enemy of Rome

Appenninus, -ī, m.: Apennine mountain range in Italy

imber, -bris, m.: rain

frīgus, -oris, n.: cold, coldness

sicut (adverb): just as, just as if

obsideō, -ēre, -sēdī, -sessus: besiege

iīs = eīs

semper adhuc: always up until now

superō (1): to be left over, survive; overcome

dēgredior, -gredī, -gressus sum: to march down from (Hannibal turns back, unable to cross the Apennines in the bad weather)

Placentia, -ae, f.: town on the Po River in Italy

castra, -ōrum, n. pl.: military camp

passus, -ūs, m.: step; mille passūs = one mile

prōgredior, -gredī, -gressus sum: to march forth (from Placentia)

cōnsidō, -ere, -sēdī, -sessus: to take up a position, encamp

posterus, -a, -um: subsequent, following, next

pedes, -ditis, m.: foot-soldier, infantryman

eques, -quitis, m.: horseman, cavalryman

Semprōnius, -ii, m.: consul in 218 B.C., who fought Hannibal

proelium, -iī, n.: battle

sē recipere: to retreat

accipiō, -ere, -cēpī, -ceptus: to receive (word of), hear

extemplō (adverb): immediately

ērumpō, -ere, -rūpī, -ruptus: to break out, burst out

pugnātum est = pugnāverunt

dirimō, -ere, -ēmī, -ēemptus: to break off, interrupt

uterque, utraque, utrumque: each (of two), both

cadō, -ere, cecidī, cāsūrus: to fall (dead)

iactūra, -ae, f.: loss, sacrifice

equester, equestris, equestre: equestrian (next after senatorial)

ōrdō, -dinis, m.: class, rank (in Roman society)

tribūnus milītum: military tribune, could command a Roman legion

praefectus sociōrum: prefect of the allies, commanded a non-Roman squadron

GLOSSARY

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ā or **ab** (prep. + abl.): away from; by (agent)
abeō, -īre, -iī or **ivī, -itus**: to go away, depart, vanish, pass away, die
absēns, -entis: absent, away
absolvō, -ere, -solvī, -solūtus: to loosen, free
absum, abesse, āfuī, āfutūrus: to be away, be absent
accēdō, -ere, -cessī, -cessus: to come near, approach
accipiō, -ere, -cēpī, -ceptus: to receive, accept; receive word of, hear
accurrō, -ere, -currī, -cursus: to run up to
ācer, ācris, ācre: sharp, keen
acerbus, -a, -um: harsh, bitter
aciēs, -ēī, f.: sharp edge, line of battle
ācritēr (adv.): sharply, violently
āctiō, -ōnis, f.: action, delivery
acūmen, -minis, n.: sharpness, cunning, subtlety
acuō, -ere, acuī, acūtus: to sharpen
ad (prep. + acc.): to, up to; near, beside; for
addūcō, -ere, -dūxī, -ductus: to induce, persuade
adhūc (adv.): thus far, hitherto, up until now
adiuvō, -āre, -iūvī, -iūtus: to help, encourage, sustain
administrō (1): to manage, take charge of, execute
admoneō, -ēre, -uī, -itus: to admonish, remind, suggest, warn, urge
adsidēō, -ēre, assēdī, assessus: to sit near
adsum, -esse, -fuī, -futūrus: to be present, be near; be present to help, assist; appear, come
adulēscēns, -entis: young; (as a noun, m. or f.) young person, youth
adventus, -ūs, m.: approach, arrival
adversārius, -iī, m.: adversary, opponent in a lawsuit
adversus, -a, -um: opposite, in front, unfavorable, hostile
advocātus, -ī, m.: advocate, legal counselor
aedēs, -ium, f. pl.: house
aequitās, -tātis, f.: fairness, spirit of the law

aes aliēnum, aeris aliēnī, n.: debt, another's money
aestimō (1) (+ gen.): to estimate, value, regard
aetās, -tātis, f.: lifetime, age, generation; **istud aetātis**: that of age, i.e. at that age of yours
aeternus, -a, -um: eternal, everlasting, immortal, imperishable
ager, -grī, m.: field, ground, farm
agō, -ere, ēgī, āctus: to drive; **agere vītam**: to live, spend one's life
agricola, -ae, m.: farmer
āh (interjection): ah! oh!
āiō, ais, ait, āiunt (defective verb): to say, say yes, affirm
albus, -a, -um: white
aliquī, -qua, -quod: some, any
aliquis, aliquid (indef. pron.): someone, somebody, something
aliquō (adv.): to some place
alius, -a, -ud: another, different
alō, -ere, -uī, altus or **alitus**: to feed, nourish, rear, support
alter, altera, alterum: the other; **alter ... alter**: the one ... the other
ambulō (1): to walk
amīca, -ae, f.: friend
amīcitiā, -ae, f.: friendship
amīcus, -a, -um: friendly
amīcus, -ī, m.: friend
āmittō, -ere, -mīsī, -missus: to lose
amō (1): to love
amor, -ōris, m.: love, object of love
āmoveō, -ēre, -mōvī, -mōtus: to move away
an (conj. introducing 2nd part of double question): or
anima, -ae, f.: air, breath of life, spirit, mind
animal, -ālis, n.: animal, living creature
animus, -ī, m.: soul, mind; pl.: high spirits, courage
annus, -ī, m.: year
ante (prep. + acc.): before
anteā (adv.): before, earlier
antestor (1): to call as witness
antīquitās, -tātis, f.: antiquity, primitive virtue
antīquus, -a, -um: ancient, old
aperiō, -īre, aperuī, apertus: to open
aptus, -a, -um: fit, suitable
arbitror (1): to decide, judge, think, suppose

arbor, -oris, f.: tree
arca, -ae, f.: box, chest
arduus, -a, -um: steep, difficult, hard
argūmentum, -ī, n.: proof
arma, -ōrum, n. pl.: arms, weapons
ars, artis, f.: skill, craft
arx, arcis, f.: citadel, fortress
as, assis, m.: copper coin of little weight, “penny”
asīlus, -ī, m.: gadfly
aspectus, -ūs, m.: look, glance
aspiciō, -ere, -spēxī, -spectus: to catch sight of, see
at (conj.): but (more emotional than **sed**)
atque or ac: and, and also, and even
attentē (adv.): attentively
auctōritās, -tātis, f.: authority
audāx, -ācis: bold, daring
audeō, -ēre, ausus sum: to dare
audiō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to hear, listen to
aureus, -a, -um: golden
auricula, -ae, f.: earlobe
auscultō (1): to listen to, hear
aut (conj.): or; **aut ... aut:** either ... or
autem (conj.): but, however
auxilium, -iī, n.: aid, assistance
avis, avis, f.: bird

— B —

bāsium, -iī, n.: a kiss
beātus, -a, -um: happy, prosperous, rich
bellum, -ī, n.: war, battle
bellus, -a, -um: pretty, handsome, charming
bēlua, -ae, f.: beast
bene (adv.): well; **bene est:** it goes well, things go well
beneficium, -iī, n.: kindness, favor, benefit, service, help, support
bibō, -ere, bibī: to drink
bonus, -a, -um: good
bōs, bovis, m. or f.: ox, cow; pl.: cattle
bracchium, -iī, n.: arm

brevis, -e: short, brief
brevitās, -tātis, f.: brevity, smallness, shortness

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cadō, -ere, cecidī, cāsūrus: to fall
caecus, -a, -um: blind
caedēs, -is, f.: slaughter, massacre
caelestis, -e: heavenly, celestial
caelum, -ī, n.: heaven, sky
canis, -is, m. or f.: dog
cantus, -ūs, m.: song, birdcall
capiō, -ere, cēpī, captus: to take, seize, reach, arrive at
captīvus, -a, -um: captive, taken in war
caput, -pitis, n.: head
careō, -ēre, -uī, -itūrus (+ abl.): to be without, miss, keep away from, be free from, want, lack
cārus, -a, -um: dear, beloved
cāseus, -ī, m.: cheese
castīgō (1): to punish, chastise
castra, -ōrum, n. pl.: military camp
catēna, -ae, f.: chain
cauda, -ae, f.: tail
causa, -ae, f.: cause, reason, lawsuit, case; **causā + preceding gen.:** for the sake of, on account of
cavea, -ae, f.: cage
caverna, -ae, f.: cave
cēdō, -ere, cessī, cessus: to grant, concede, yield, depart, pass away, die
celer, celeris, celere: quick, speedy
celeritās, -tātis, f.: speed, swiftness, haste
celeriter (adv.): quickly, speedily
cēna, -ae, f.: dinner, meal
centum (indecl.): one hundred
centum vīgintī (indecl.): one hundred twenty
certē (adv.): surely, certainly
certus, -a, -um: certain, particular, definite, sure, dependable
cerva, -ae, f.: deer, hind
cēterus, -a, -um: the other; pl.: the others, the remaining, the rest
cicāda, -ae, f.: cricket, grasshopper

cingō, -ere, cīnxī, cīnctus: to gird, encircle
cinis, -neris, m.: ash, ashes
cīvīlis, -e: civil
cīvis, -is, m. or f.: citizen, fellow citizen
clāmō (1): to call, cry out
clārus, -a, -um: bright, famous, illustrious
coepī, coepisse, coeptus (defective verb): to begin
cōgitātiō, -ōnis, f.: deliberation, thought
cōgitō (1): to think, consider, ponder, plan
cognōscō, -ere, -nōvī, -nitus: to recognize
collocō (1): to place, arrange, station
collum, -ī, n.: neck
colō, -ere, coluī, cultus: to cultivate, cherish, worship
committō, -ere, -mīsī, -missus: to connect, unite, commit, entrust; engage in (battle)
commūnis, -e: common, public, universal, familiar, shared
complector, -plectī, -plexus sum: to embrace, grasp, comprehend
concordia, -ae, f.: harmony, concord
concrētiō, -ōnis, f.: a growing together, material
concrētus, -a, -um: firm, concrete, solid
concurrō, -ere, -currī, -cursus: to run together, unite, strike one another, engage in combat
condō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to hide, conceal
cōnferō, -ferre, -tulī, collātus: to bring together, contribute, discuss, talk over; **sē cōnferre:** to betake oneself, go
cōnficiō, -ere, -fēcī, -fectus: to complete, finish
cōnfīrmātiō, -ōnis, f.: a verifying of facts, an adducing of proofs
cōnsequor, -sequī, -secūtus sum: to acquire
cōnservō (1): to preserve
cōnsidō, -ere, -sēdī, -sessus: to take up a position, encamp
cōnsilium, -iī, n.: plan, consultation; meeting for deliberation, planning session
cōnsistō, -ere, -stitī, -stitus: to stop, halt
cōnsul, -ulis, m.: consul, one of the two chief magistrates of the Roman state under the Republic
contemnō, -ere, -temptī, -temptus: to despise, make light of
contentus, -a, -um (+ abl.): content, satisfied (with)
contineō, -ēre, -tinuī, -tentus: to hold or keep together, confine, contain
contrā (prep. + acc.): against

conturbō (1): to throw into confusion, put into disorder
convertō, -ere, -vertī, -versus: to cause to turn back, convert, transform
cōpia, -ae, f.: supply, abundance; pl.: troops, armed forces
cōpiōsus, -a, -um: abundant, rich, full
coquō, -ere, coxī, coctus: to cook
cornū, -ūs, n.: horn, trumpet
corpus, -poris, n.: body
corrumpō, -ere, -rūpī, -ruptus: to seduce, corrupt
crēdō, -ere, -didī, -ditus (+ dat.): to believe, trust, confide in, put trust in
crūdēlis, -e: cruel
cubiculum, -ī, n.: bedroom
culīna, -ae, f.: kitchen
culpa, -ae, f.: fault, blame
culpō (1): to blame, censure
culter, -tris, m.: knife
cum (prep. + abl.): with; (conj.): when, since, although
cupidus, -a, -um (+ gen.): desirous, fond (of)
cupiō, -ere, -ivī or iī, -ītus: to wish, be eager for, desire
cūr (relat. adv.): for which reason; (interrog. adv.): why? for what reason?
cūra, -ae, f.: care, anxiety
cūriōsus, -a, -um: curious, inquisitive
currō, -ere, cucurrī, cursus: to run, hurry
currus, -ūs, m.: chariot
curvus, -a, -um: curved, bent
custōs, -tōdis, m.: guard, watchman

—D—

dē (prep. + abl.): down from; about, concerning
dea, -ae, f.: goddess
dēbeō, -ēre, -uī, -ītus: to owe; (+ inf.) have to, ought to
decem (indecl.): ten
dēclāmātiō, -ōnis, f.: declamation, set theme for a practice speech
dēdicō (1): to dedicate, consecrate
dēditus, -a, -um: addicted to, given over to
dēdūcō, -ere, -dūxī, -ductus: to lead away, dissuade
dēfīniō, -īre, -ivī, -ītus: to describe exactly, define

dēgredior, -gredī, -gressus sum: to march down from
deinde (adv.): (of place) from there; (of time) then, thereafter
dēlectō (1): to delight, charm, please
dēleō, -ēre, -ēvī, -ētus: to destroy, annihilate, extinguish
dēmum (adv.): at last, now, in the end (final stage of an argument)
dēnique (adv.): and then, finally, last (in a list of points)
dēnsus, -a, -um: thick, condensed, concise
dēpōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to lay aside, put down
dēsīderō (1): to desire, miss, long for
deus, -ī, m.: god
dīcō, -ere, dīxī, dictus: to say, speak; **cāusam dīcere:** to plead a case
dictātor, -ōris, m.: dictator
diēs, -ēī, m. or f.: day, time, period
dīffīcilis, -e: difficult, hard
dīgnus, -a, -um (+ abl.): worthy (of)
dīligēns, -entis: careful, diligent
dīligentius (adv.): more carefully
dīligō, -ere, -lēxī, -lēctus: to love, esteem
dirimō, -ere, -ēmī, -ēmtus: to break off, interrupt
discēdō, -ere, -cessī, -cessus: to go away, depart, separate
discipulus, -ī, m.: pupil, student
discō, -ere, didicī: to learn
discordia, -ae, f.: discord, disagreement, sometimes personified as a goddess
dissentiō, -īre, -sēnsī, -sēnsus: to disagree
dissolvō, -ere, -solvī, -solūtus: to free, free from debt
distorqueō, -ēre, -torsī, -tortus: to twist apart, distort
diū (adv.): for a long time
diūtissimē (adv.): for a very long time
diūturnus, -a, -um: long, long-lasting
dīversitās, -tātis, f.: difference, diversity
dīves, -vitis: rich, wealthy
dīvīnus, -a, -um: divine
dīvitiae, -ārum, f. pl.: riches, wealth
dō, dare, dedī, datus: to give, offer
doceō, -ēre, docuī, doctus: to teach
dolor, -ōris, m.: pain, grief
domus, -ūs or -ī, f.: house, building, home, residence

dōnum, -ī, n.: gift, present
dormiō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to sleep, be asleep
dubitō (1): to doubt, be doubtful, hesitate
dūcō, -ere, dūxī, ductus: to draw, pull, lead, guide, command
dulcis, -e: sweet, pleasant, delightful
dum (conj.): while, as long as
duo, duae, duo: two
duodecim (indecl.): twelve
dux, ducis, m.: leader

— E —

ē or ex (prep. + abl.): (of space) out from within; (of time) from, following
ēdictum, -ī, n.: decree, edict
edō, -ere, ēdī, ēsus: to eat
efficiō, -ere, -fēcī, -fectus: to bring about, achieve, make, form
effingō, -ere, -fīnxī, -fictus: to express, represent
ego, meī, mihi, mē, mē: I, me
ēlegantia, -ae, f.: elegance, refinement
elephantus, -ī, m.: elephant
ēligō, -ere, -lēgī, -lēctus: to choose
ēloquēns, -entis: eloquent
ēloquentia, -ae, f.: eloquence
ēmittō, -ere, -mīsī, -missus: to release, send out
ēnervō (1): to remove sinews from, weaken
enim (postpos. conj.): for, truly
eō, īre, īī or īvī, itus: to go, walk, sail, ride
epulae, -ārum, f. pl.: feast, banquet
eques, -quitis, m.: horseman, cavalryman
equester, equestris, equestre: relating to horsemen, equestrian, relating to the Roman Knights
equidem (adv.): indeed, truly
equitātus, -ūs, m.: cavalry
equus, -ī, m.: horse
ērigō, -ere, -rēxī, -rēctus: to raise up, excite, arouse
ēripiō, -ere, -ripuī, -reptus: to snatch away, pull out, rescue, deliver
errō (1): to err, wander
ērumpō, -ere, -rūpī, -ruptus: to break out, burst out
et (conj.): and; **et ... et:** both ... and

etiam (adv): also, even
etsī (conj): even if, although
excitō (1): to arouse, provoke
exclāmō (1): to cry out, call out
excūsātiō, -ōnis, f.: way of making amends, means of apologizing
exemplum, -ī, n.: sample, example, model
exercitātiō, -ōnis, f.: exercise, practice
exercitus, -ūs, m.: army
exōrō (1): to win over (by begging), appease
expellō, -ere, -pulī, -pulsus: to banish, expel
explicō (1): to give an account of, unfold
expōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to set forth, explain
exprimō, -ere, -pressī, -pressus: to represent, portray, express
expectō (1): to wait for, expect
extinguō, -ere, -stīnxī, -stīnctus: to extinguish, put out, destroy, kill, abolish, annul
extemplō (adv): immediately
extraordinārius, -a, -um: not common, beyond the norm
extrēmus, -a, -um: extreme, outermost, at the end

—F—

fābula, -ae, f.: story, tale
facile (adv): easily
facinus, -oris, n.: deed, act
faciō, -ere, fēcī, factus: to make, do
factum, -ī, n.: deed, act
falsus, -a, -um: mistaken, wrong, false, deceitful
fāma, -ae, f.: rumor, report, reputation
fateor, fatērī, fassus sum: to admit, acknowledge, disclose, reveal
fēliciter (adv): fruitfully, abundantly, favorably, luckily, happily
fēlix, -īcis: fruit-bearing, fertile, happy, lucky, successful
fēmina, -ae, f.: woman
ferō, ferre, tulī, lātus: to bear, carry, produce, endure, acquire
ferōx, -ōcis: fierce, savage
ferrum, -ī, n.: iron, sword
fidēlis, -e: faithful, loyal
fidēliter (adv): faithfully, loyally, securely
fidēs, -eī, f.: trust, faith, reliance, confidence, belief

fīlia, -ae, f.: daughter
fīlius, -ī, m.: son
fungō, -ere, fīnxī, fictus: to form, fashion, make
fīnis, -is, m.: boundary, border, limit, end, purpose
fīō, fierī, factus sum: to come into being, arise, become
flābilis, -e: airy
flamma, -ae, f.: flame
flēbilis, -e: tearful, doleful
flectō, -ere, flexī, flexus: to bend
fleō, -ēre, flēvī, flētus: to weep
flōs, flōris, m.: flower
flūmen, -minis, n.: river
flūxus, -a, -um: flowing, changeable
fōrma, -ae, f.: form, shape
formīca, -ae, f.: ant
fortis, -e: strong, mighty, brave
fortiter (adv): strongly, vigorously, firmly, bravely
fortūna, -ae, f.: fortune, luck
fortūnātus, -a, -um: lucky
forum, -ī, n.: forum, the center of political, judicial, and commercial activities in Roman cities
fragilis, -e: fragile, perishable
frāter, -tris, m.: brother
frīgus, -oris, n.: cold, coldness
frūctus, -ūs, m.: produce, fruit, proceeds, profit, reward
fruor, fruī, frūctus sum (+ abl.): to enjoy, delight in
fugiō, -ere, fūgī, fugitūrus: to escape, leave, run away, avoid
fundō, -ere, fūdī, fūsus: to pour forth
futūrus, -a, -um: future

—G—

galea, -ae, f.: helmet
garriō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to babble, make incomprehensible sounds
gemma, -ae, f.: jewel, gem
gēns, gentis, f.: clan, stock, tribe, nation, offspring
genus, -eris, n.: kind, sort
gerō, -ere, gessī, gestus: to carry on, wage

gestus, -ūs, m.: gesture
gignō, -ere, genuī, genitus: to produce, give birth to
glōria, -ae, f.: glory, fame
grātia, -ae, f.: grace, charm, pleasantness, thanks, gratitude; **grātiās agere** (+ dat.): to give thanks (to)
gravis, -e: heavy, troublesome, hard, grave, serious
gravitās, -tātis, f.: weight, dignity
graviter (adv.): deeply, severely

—H—

habēna, -ae, f.: strap; pl.: reins
habēō, -ēre, -uī, -itus: to have, hold, possess; consider, regard (as)
hasta, -ae, f.: spear
hic, haec, hoc (demonstr. adj. & pron.): this
hīc (adv.): here
homō, -minis, m. or f.: human being, person, man
honor, -ōris, m.: honor, public office, esteem; **honōre habēre:** to hold (someone) in respect, to esteem
horridus, -a, -um: shaggy, rough, unpolished
hospitālis, -e: relating to a guest
hostis, -is, m.: enemy
hūmānus, -a, -um: human
humus, -ī, f.: ground, earth, soil

—I—

iaciō, -ere, iēcī, iactus: to lay, build, establish, throw, cast, fling
iactūra, -ae, f.: loss, sacrifice
iam (adv.): now, already; **iam nōn:** no longer; **iam vērō:** furthermore
ibi (adv.): there, in that place; then, on that occasion
īdem, eadem, idem: the same
identidem (adv.): repeatedly, again and again
igitur (postpos. conj.): therefore, consequently
igneus, -a, -um: fiery
ignis, -is, m.: fire, conflagration
ignōrō (1): to ignore, not know, not acknowledge
ignōscō, -ere, -nōvī, -nōtus (+ dat.): to pardon, overlook
ille, illa, illud (demonstr. adj. & pron.): that
illūminō (1): to light up, make clear, adorn
imāgō, -ginis, f.: image, reflection

imber, -bris, m.: rain
immeritō (adv.): undeservedly, unjustly
immō (adv.): no, on the contrary; rather
immolō (1): to sacrifice, kill as an offering to the gods
immortālis, -e: immortal
immortālitās, -tātis, f.: immortality
impedimentum, -ī, n.: hindrance, baggage
impediō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to hinder, get in the way
imperātor, -ōris, m.: general, commander-in-chief
imperium, -iī, n.: command, order, authority
imperō (1) (+ dat.): to order, command, govern, rule
impetus, -ūs, m.: attack, assault
impotēns, -entis: out of control, immoderate
in (prep. + abl.): in, on; (prep. + acc.): into, against, toward
incertus, -a, -um: uncertain, vague, obscure, doubtful, dubious
incipiō, -ere, -cēpī, -ceptus: to begin, start
incrēdibilis, -e: incredible
incultus, -a, -um: unsophisticated, not cultured
indoctus, -a, -um: uneducated, ignorant
iners, -ertis: inactive, idle
īnfīrmus, -a, -um: weak, ill
ingenium, -iī, n.: inborn talent, character, nature
ingēns, -entis: huge
iniciō, -ere, -iēcī, -iectus: to throw into
inīquus, -a, -um: unfair, unjust
inquam (defective verb): I say; **inquit:** he says, one says, it is said
īnscītia, -ae, f.: ignorance
īnsequor, -sequī, -secūtus sum: to pursue, follow after
īnsidiae, -ārum, f. pl.: ambush, plot
īnsipienter (adv.): foolishly
īnsolenter (adv.): arrogantly
īnsula, -ae, f.: island
īnsum, inesse, īnfuī, īnfutūrus: to be in, be found in (a place)
intellegō, -ere, -lēxī, -lēctus: to understand, perceive
intentus, -a, -um (+ abl.): intent (on)
inter (prep. + acc.): among, between
intereā (adv.): meanwhile
interficiō, -ere, -fēcī, -fectus: to destroy, kill

interim (adv.): meanwhile, in the meantime
interpretor (1): to explain, interpret
intersum, -esse, -fuī, -futūrus: to lie between, be present
invādō, -ere, -vāsī, -vāsus: to rush in, fall upon, seize
inveniō, -īre, -vēnī, -ventus: to find, discover
ipse, ipsa, ipsum (intensive pron.): himself, herself, itself, etc.
īra, -ae, f.: ire, anger
is, ea, id (demonstr. adj. & pron.): this, that, he, she, it
iste, ista, istud (demonstr. adj. & pron.): that, that of yours
ita (adv.): in such a way, thus, so
itaque (adv.): and so, accordingly
iterum (adv.): again
iubeō, -ēre, iussī, iussus: to order, appoint, designate
iūcunditās, -tātis, f.: pleasantness, delight, charm
iūcundus, -a, -um: pleasant, delightful, agreeable
iūdex, -dicis, m.: judge, juror
iūdicium, -iī, n.: trial, court, decision, judgment
iugum, -ī, n.: yoke
iungō, -ere, iūnxī, iūctus: to join
iūrisperītus, -a, -um: expert in the law
iūrō (1): to swear, take an oath
iūs, iūris, n.: right, justice, law court
iūstus, -a, -um: fair, just
iuvenis, -is: young; **iuvenis, -is, m. or f.**, young person, youth
iuvō, -āre, iūvī, iūtus: to help, aid
iūxtā (adv.): near, close, next to, on a par with, similar

—L—

labor, -ōris, m.: labor, work, toil
labōrō (1): to work, labor
lacus, -ūs, m.: lake
laetus, -a, -um: happy, joyful
lāna, -ae, f.: wool; **dūcere lānam**: to spin wool
lateō, -ēre, -uī: to lie hidden, hide
laudō (1): to praise
laus, laudis, f.: praise, fame, merit, worth
lēgātus, -ī, m.: legate, ambassador
legiō, -ōnis, f.: legion, unit of the Roman army

legō, -ere, lēgī, lēctus: to gather, collect, pick out, choose, read
leō, -ōnis, m.: lion
levis, -e: light, fickle, unimportant, trivial
lēx, lēgis, f.: law, bill, motion, statute, rule, regulation, principle
liber, libera, liberum: free
liber, -brī, m.: book
liberī, -ōrum, m. pl.: children
liberō (1): to set free, release
licet, -ēre, -uit (impers. + dat. & infin.): it is permitted, one may
ligneus, -a, -um: of wood, wooden
līs, lītis, f.: lawsuit
littera, -ae, f.: letter (of the alphabet); pl.: epistle, letter; literature
locus, -ī, m.: place, spot
longē (adv.): far, far off, long way off, away, distant
longus, -a, -um: long
loquor, loquī, locūtus sum: to speak
lūdō, -ere, lūsī, lūsus: to play
lūdus, -ī, m.: game, school
lūx, lūcis, f.: light, light of day, daylight

—M—

magis (adv.): more, rather
magister, -trī, m.: master, teacher
magnus, -a, -um: large, great, important
māiōrēs, -um, m. pl.: ancestors, forefathers
mālō, mālle, māluī: to wish rather, prefer
malum, -ī, n.: bad thing, evil, misfortune
mālum, -ī, n.: apple
malus, -a, -um: bad, wicked, evil
maneō, -ēre, mānsī, mānsus: to stay, wait, remain
manus, -ūs, f.: hand; band, company; force, violence
mare, maris, n.: sea
māter, -tris, f.: mother
mātrimōnium, -iī, n.: marriage
maximus, -a, -um: very great, greatest (superlative of **magnus**)
medius, -a, -um: middle, central, the middle of
membrum, -ī, n.: limb, part of the body
meminī, -isse (defective verb): to remember

memoria, -ae, f.: memory
mēns, mentis, f.: mind, thought
mēnsa, -ae, f.: table
mēnsis, -is, m.: month
merx, mercis, f.: merchandise, goods
metuō, -ere, metuī: to fear
metus, -ūs, m.: fear, anxiety, apprehension
meus, -a, -um: my
mīles, mīlitis, m.: soldier, infantryman
mīlia, -ium, n. pl.: thousands
mīlle (indecl.): one thousand
mīnor, mīnus: smaller, less
mīror (1): to be amazed at, be surprised at, look at with wonder, admire
miscēō, -ēre, -uī, mixtus: to mix, mingle
miser, misera, miserum: poor, wretched, miserable, unhappy
miserē (adv.): miserably, terribly much
misericordia, -ae, f.: pity, mercy
mittō, -ere, mīsī, missus: to send, let fly, throw; omit, not mention;
mittere ad hōrās: to send (someone) to find out the time
modus, -ī, m.: measure, size, limit; rhythm, meter; method, way, manner,
mode; **modo ... modo:** now ... now; at one time ... at another time
moenia, -ium, n. pl.: walls
moneō, -ēre, -uī, -itus: to remind, warn, advise, point out
mora, -ae, f.: delay
morior, morī, mortuus sum: to die
mors, mortis, f.: death, destruction
mortālis, -e: mortal, human; **mortālis, -is, m. or f.:** a mortal, a human
being
mortuus, -a, -um: dead
mōs, mōris, m.: habit, custom, manner; pl.: habits, character
mōtus, -ūs, m.: motion, movement
moveō, -ēre, mōvī, mōtus: to move, arouse
mūgītus, -ūs, m.: lowing, bellowing, mooing
multitūdō, -dinis, f.: great number, multitude, crowd, throng
multus, -a, -um: much, many
mundus, -ī, m.: world, earth, heavens
mūniō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to fortify

mūrus, -ī, m.: wall, city wall
mūtō (1): to change, exchange

—N—

nam (conj.): for
narrō (1): to tell, relate, narrate, recount
nāscor, nāscī, nātus sum: to be born, spring forth
nātūra, -ae, f.: nature
nauta, -ae, m.: sailor, mariner
nāvigō (1): to sail
nāvis, -is, f.: ship
nē (conj. introducing subj.): that ... not; **nē ... quidem (adv.):**
not ... even
-ne: enclitic added to the emphatic word at the beginning of a question
neesse (indecl.): necessary
necō (1): to kill
neglegō, -ere, -lēxī, -lēctus: to neglect, disregard
negōtium, -iī, n.: business, affair
nēmō, nūllius, nēminī, nēminem, nūllō/ā, m. or f.: no one, nobody
neque or nec (conj.): and not; **neque ... neque:** neither ... nor
nesciō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to not know, be ignorant
niger, nigra, nigrum: black
nihil or nīl, n. (indecl.): nothing
nimis (adv.): too much
nimum (adv.): too, too much, very, very much
nisi (conj.): if not, unless, except
nītor, nītī, nīsus sum: to strive, make an effort
nōlō, nōlle, nōluī: to not want, not wish, refuse
nōmen, -minis, n.: name
nōn (adv.): not; **nōn solum ... sed (etiam):** not only ... but (also)
nōndum (adv.): not yet
nōnne: introduces a question expecting a positive answer
nōnus, -a, -um: ninth
nōs, nostrum or nostrī, nōbīs, nōs, nōbīs: we, us
nōscō, -ere, nōvī, nōtus: to become acquainted with; (in perfect tense)
know
noster, nostra, nostrum: our, ours
nōtus, -a, -um: known, familiar
novem (indecl.): nine

novus, -a, -um: new, recent, strange
nox, noctis, f.: night
nūbēs, -is, f.: cloud, mist
nūllus, -a, -um: none, no
num: introduces a question expecting a negative answer
numerus, -ī, m.: number
numquam (adv.): never
nunc (adv.): now
nūptiae, -ārum, f. pl.: wedding
nūtō (1): to nod, gesture
nympha, -ae, f.: nymph

—O—

ō (interjection): oh! O!
ob (prep. + acc.): because of, on account of
oboediēns, -entis (+ dat.): obedient
obses, -sidis, m. or f.: hostage
obsideō, -ēre, -sēdī, -sessus: besiege
occidō, -ere, -cidī, -cāsus: to fall down, die, set (referring to the sun)
occupātus, -a, -um: occupied, busy
occupō (1): to seize, occupy
occurrō, -ere, -currī, -cursus: to run to meet, run up
oculus, -ī, m.: eye
offerō, -ferre, obtulī, oblātus: to offer, bring forward
officium, -iī, n.: duty, service
oleō, -ēre, -uī: to smell
ōlim (adv.): at that time, once, formerly
omnīnō (adv.): wholly, entirely
omnis, -e: all, every
onus, -neris, n.: burden
oppōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to put, place, station, present; match
opportūnus, -a, -um: advantageous
opprimō, -ere, -pressī, -pressus: to press down, weigh down, put pressure on, suppress, subdue
oppugnō (1): to attack, assault
ops, opis, f.: help, aid; pl.: power, might, resources
optimus, -a, -um: best (superlative of **bonus**)
optō (1): to choose, wish for, desire

ōrātiō, -ōnis, f.: speech, language, style, oration
ōrātor, -ōris, m.: orator, speaker, spokesman
ōrātōrius, -a, -um: oratorical
ōrdō, -dīnis, m.: rank, order, socio-economic class; arrangement of ideas
orīgō, -ginis, f.: source, origin
ōrnāmentum, -ī, n.: decoration, fancy clothing
ōrō (1): to beg, entreat, plead, plead with
ōscitō (1): to yawn
ōsculum, -ī, n.: kiss
ostendō, -ere, ostendī, ostentus: to show, exhibit, display; reveal, disclose, declare
ōtium, -iī, n.: leisure, free time, ease, idleness, inactivity
ovis, -is, f.: sheep

—P—

pār, paris (+ dat.): equal, like
parcō, -ere, pepercī, parsūrus (+ dat.): to spare, use sparingly, use carefully
parēns, -entis, m. or f.: parent
pāreō, -ēre, -uī (+ dat.): to obey, be obedient to
parō (1): to prepare, make ready, provide, furnish
pars, partis, f.: part, portion, share
parvus, -a, -um: small, little
passus, -ūs, m.: step; **mīlle passūs:** a mile
patēns, -entis: open, accessible, extensive
pater, -tris, m.: father
pator, patī, passus sum: to allow, permit, suffer
patria, -ae, f.: fatherland, native land
paucī, -ae, -a: few, a few
pauper, -eris: poor, scanty, meager; m.: a poor man, a pauper
pāvō, -ōnis, m.: peacock
pāx, pācis, f.: peace
peccō (1): to sin, make a mistake, go wrong
pecūnia, -ae, f.: money
pecus, -oris, n.: cattle, herd
pedes, -ditis, m.: foot-soldier, infantryman
pellō, -ere, pepulī, pulsus: to push, beat, strike, knock, drive out, repel

pendō, -ere, pependī, pēnsus (+ gen.): to weigh, value, regard
per (prep. + acc.): through; **per sē**: by oneself, on one's own authority
perdō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to ruin, lose
peregrīnor (1): to travel around, sojourn
pereō, -īre, -iī or -ivī, -itus: to pass away, pass on, die
perfectus, -a, -um: complete, finished, perfect, excellent
perīculum, -ī, n.: danger, risk
perpetuus, -a, -um: perpetual
persuādēō, -ēre, -suāsī, -suāsus (+ dat.): to persuade, convince
perturbō (1): to disturb, throw into confusion
pēs, pedis, m.: foot
pestilentia, -ae, f.: pestilence, plague
philosophia, -ae, f.: philosophy, love of wisdom
piger, pigra, pigrum: lazy, slow
pīrāta, -ae, m.: pirate
placeō, -ēre, -uī, -itus (+ dat.): to please, be pleasing to, satisfy
plānē (adv.): plainly, completely
plaustrum, -ī, n.: wagon, cart
plēnus, -a, -um: full
plūrimus, -a, -um: very much, most (superlative of **multus**)
plūs, plūris: more (comparative of **multus**)
poena, -ae, f.: penalty, punishment; **poenās dare**: to pay the penalty
poēta, -ae, m.: poet
polītus, -a, -um: polished, refined
pondus, -deris, n.: weight, authority
pōnō, -ere, posuī, positus: to put, place; fix, post
pōns, pontis, m.: bridge
populus, -ī, m.: a people, the people, nation
porta, -ae, f.: city gate, gate, entrance
possessiō, -ōnis, f.: possession, occupation, estate
possum, posse, potuī: to be able
post (adv.): afterwards
post (prep. + acc.): after (time); behind (place)
posterus, -a, -um: subsequent, following, next; m. pl.: descendants, posterity
potēns, -entis: powerful, strong
potius (adv.): rather, preferably

praecīdō, -ere, -cīdī, -cīsus: to cut off
praeclārus, -a, -um: very clear, very nice, splendid, noble
praeda, -ae, f.: loot
praeditus, -a, -um (+ abl.): endowed (with)
praefectus sociōrum: prefect of the allies, officer who commanded squadrons composed of non-Roman citizens
praemittō, -ere, -mīsī, -missus: to send out ahead, send in advance
praemium, -iī, n.: reward
praesentia, -ium, n. pl.: present circumstances
praesentiō, -īre, -sēnsī, -sēnsus: to perceive beforehand
praestō, -stāre, -stitī, -stitus: (+ dat.) to excel, be superior to; (+ acc.) show, exhibit, display
praetereō, -īre, -iī or -ivī, -itus: to pass by, go by, pass over, omit, elapse
premō, -ere, pressī, pressus: to press, squeeze, chase, attack
prex, precis, f.: prayer
pīmus, -a, -um: first, foremost
prō (prep. + abl.): before, in front of, instead of, on behalf of, for
procul (adv.): far away
proelium, -iī, n.: battle
profectō (adv.): assuredly
prōficiō, -ere, -fēcī, -fectus: to make progress
prōgredior, -gredī, -gressus sum: to march forth, advance
prohibeō, -ēre, -uī, -itus: to hold back, check, hinder, prevent, forbid
prōnus, -a, -um: bent forward
propinquitās, -tātis, f.: nearness, proximity
prōpōnō, -ere, -posuī, -positus: to put forward, propose, set before
propter (prep. + acc.): near, on account of, because of, for the sake of
prōvideō, -ēre, -vīdī, -vīsus: to see to, provide for
prōvolō (1): to fly out, rush forth
puet, -ēre, -uit (impers. + infin.): it makes one ashamed, it is shameful
puclīctia, -ae, f.: chastity, modesty, honor, virtue
puclīcus, -a, -um: chaste, modest, virtuous
puella, -ae, f.: girl
puer, puerī, m.: boy
pugnō (1): to fight, do battle
pulcher, pulchra, pulchrum: beautiful
putō (1): to think, ponder, consider, suppose

—Q—

quaerō, -ere, quaesīvī, quaesītus: to look for, search for, try to obtain
quam (adv.): how; (conj.): than; (with superl.): as ... as possible
quamquam (conj.): although
quantus, -a, -um (relat. adj.): as great, as much; (interrog. adj.): how great? how much?
quārē (adv.): wherefore, why
quartus, -a, -um: fourth
quasi (adv. & conj.): as if, as it were
quattuordecim (indecl.): fourteen
querulus, -a, -um: prone to complain (about trifles)
quī, quae, quod (relat. pron. & interrog. adj.): who, which, what, that
quicumque, quaecumque, quodcumque (indef. pron.): whoever, whatever
quīdam, quaedam, quiddam (indef. pron.) or **quoddam** (indef. adj.): (as pron.) a certain one or thing, someone, something; (as adj.) a certain, a kind of
quidem (adv.): indeed
quiēs, -ētis, f.: rest, repose
quīnque (indecl.): five
quis, quid (indef. pron. after **sī, nisi, nē, and num**): someone, something, anyone, anything
quis? quid? (interrog. pron.): who? what?
quisquam, quicquam (indef. pron.): anyone, anything
quisque, quaeque, quodque (indef. pron.): each
quisquis, quicquid (indef. pron.): whoever, whatever
quō (rel. adv.): to which place; (interrog. adv.): to what place? whither?
quod (conj.): because; **quod sī:** but if
quondam (adv.): once, at one time
quoniam (conj.): because, seeing that, since

—R—

rapiō, -ere, rapuī, raptus: to snatch
rāstrum, -ī, n.: rake, toothed hoe
ratio, -ōnis, f.: calculation, consideration, reason, method
recipiō, -ere, -cēpī, -ceptus: to keep back, keep in reserve, withdraw
rēctus, -a, -um: straight, right, proper
reddō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to give back, repeat
redeō, -īre, -iī or -ivī, -itus: to go back, return

rēgia, -ae, f.: palace
rēgnō (1): to be king, reign, rule
regō, -ere, rēxī, rēctus: to rule
relinquō, -ere, -liquī, -lictus: to leave behind
remaneō, -ēre, -mānsī, -mānsus: to remain
remōtus, -a, -um: removed, distant, remote
rēs, reī, f.: thing, matter, affair, object; **rēs pūblica:** state, government
respondeō, -ēre, -spondī, -spōnsus: to answer
restituō, -ere, -stituī, -stitūtus: to restore
reveniō, -venīre, -vēnī, -ventus: to come again, return, come back
revocō (1): to call back, recall, withdraw (troops)
rēx, rēgis, m.: king
rīdeō, -ēre, rīsī, rīsus: to laugh at, ridicule, smile upon
rōbustus, -a, -um: strong, hardy
rogō (1): to ask, inquire
rūgōsus, -a, -um: wrinkled
rūmor, -ōris, m.: talk, rumor, popular opinion, fame, reputation
rursus (adv.): back, back again
rūsticus, -a, -um: rustic, rural, simple

—S—

sacerdōs, -dōtis, m.: priest; f.: priestess
saepe (adv.): often
saevus, -a, -um: fierce, violent, savage
saltem (adv.): at least
salūs, -ūtis, f.: health, welfare, prosperity, safety
salveō, -ēre: to be well; **salvē** or **salvēte:** hello!
salvus, -a, -um: safe, unhurt
sanguis, -inis, m.: blood, bloodshed
sapientia, -ae, f.: wisdom
sapiō, -ere, sapīvī: to taste, have flavor; be wise, have understanding
satis (indecl.): enough
scelus, -eris, n.: wicked deed, crime, wickedness, calamity
schola, -ae, f.: school
scientia, -ae, f.: knowledge, skill
sciō, scīre, scīvī, scītus: to know
scopulus, -ī, m.: rock, cliff
scribō, -ere, scrīpsī, scrīptus: to write, draw
sēcēdō, -ere, -cessī, -cessus: to withdraw, retire

secō, -āre, secuī, sectus: to cut up
secundus, -a, -um: following, next, second
sed (conj.): but
sēdō (1): to soothe, calm
sēgregō (1): to segregate, separate
sēiūnctus, -a, -um: separated, distinct
semel (adv.): once
semper (adv.): always
sempiternus, -a, -um: everlasting, eternal
senātor, -tōris, m.: senator
senātus, -ūs, m.: senate, senate session
senectūs, -tūtis, f.: old age
senēscō, -ere, senuī: to grow old
senex, senis: aged, old; (as a noun, m.) old man
sententia, -ae, f.: opinion, view
sentīō, -īre, sēnsī, sēnsus: to perceive, notice
septem (indecl.): seven
sequor, sequī, secūtus sum: to follow, escort, accompany, pursue
sermō, -ōnis, m.: conversation, talk
serpēns, -entis, m. or f.: snake, sea-serpent
serviō, -īre, -īvī, -ītus: to serve, be devoted to, be a servant or slave
servitium, -iī, n.: service, servitude
servitūs, -tūtis, f.: slavery, servitude
servō (1): to preserve, protect
servus, -ī, m.: slave
sescentī, -ae, -a: six hundred
sevērus, -a, -um: strict
sex (indecl.): six
sī (conj.): if
sīcut or **sīcutī** (adv. or conj.): just like, just as, just as if
significō (1): to show, indicate, point out
signum, -ī, n.: sign, proof
silentium, -iī, n.: silence; **silentium significāre:** to signal for silence, call for silence
sileō, -ēre, -uī: to leave unmentioned, say nothing about
silva, -ae, f.: forest, woods
similis, -e (+ gen. or dat.): similar, resembling, like
similiter (adv.): similarly

simul (adv.): at the same time
sincērē (adv.): sincerely, honestly
sine (prep. + abl.): without
singulāris, -e: singular, unique
sinō, -ere, sīvī, situs: to allow
situs, -a, -um: situated, placed, located
sōl, sōlis, m.: the sun
soleō, -ēre, solitus sum: to be in the habit of, be accustomed
sōlum (adv.): only, merely; **nōn sōlum ... sed (etiam):** not only ... but (also)
sōlus, -a, -um: alone, only
solūtus, -a, -um: loosened, unfettered
somnus, -ī, m.: sleep
spectō (1): to look at, regard
spēlunca, -ae, f.: cave, grotto
spērō (1): to hope for, expect, look forward to, trust
spēs, speī, f.: hope, expectation, apprehension
splendor, -ōris, m.: brightness, shine
stagnum, -ī, n.: pool of water
statua, -ae, f.: statue
stilus, -ī, m.: stylus, instrument for writing on wax tablets
strangulō (1): to strangle, choke
studeō, -ēre, -uī (+ dat.): to desire, be eager for, study, apply oneself
studium, -iī, n.: eagerness, keenness, devotion
stultus, -a, -um: foolish
suāvis, -e: sweet, pleasant
sub (prep. + abl.): under, beneath; (prep. + acc.): along under
subraucus, -a, -um: rather hoarse, husky-sounding
subsellium, -iī, n.: bench, seat (in the lawcourt)
subtilis, -e: fine, thin, precise
____, suī, sibi, sē, sē (reflex. pron.): himself, herself, itself, themselves
sum, esse, fuī, futūrus: to be, exist
sūmō, -ere, sūmpsī, sūmptus: to take up, lay hold of
super (prep. + acc. or abl.): above, on top of
superbus, -a, -um: haughty, proud
superior, -ius: more advanced, stronger
superō (1): to be left over, overcome, conquer, survive

supplicō (1) (+ dat.): to pray to
surgō, -ere, -rēxī, -rēctus: to rise
suscenseō, -ēre, -cēnsuī, -cēnsus: to be angry
suscipiō, -cipere, -cēpī, -ceptus: to undertake, catch, support, pick up, resume
suspendō, -ere, -pendī, -pēnsus: to hang up, suspend
suus, -a, -um: his, her, its, their (own)

—T—

faceō, -ēre, -uī, -itus: to be silent
tam (adv.): so; **tam diū dum:** so long as
tamen (adv.): yet, nevertheless, still
tangō, -ere, tetigī, tāctus: to touch, handle, taste
tantum (adv.): only
tantus, -a, -um: of such size, so great
taurus, -ī, m.: bull
tempestās, -tātis, f.: weather, storm
templum, -ī, n.: temple, shrine, sanctuary
temptō (1): to try (out), test
tempus, -oris, n.: time
teneō, -ēre, -uī, tentus: to hold
terra, -ae, f.: earth, ground, land
terreō, -ēre, -uī, -itus: to frighten, scare
testis, -is, m. or f.: witness, eye-witness
tignum, -ī, n.: log, stick, trunk of a tree
timeō, -ere, -uī: to fear, be afraid of
timor, -ōris, m.: fear, alarm, dread
tolerō (1): to bear, tolerate
tollō, -ere, sustulī, sublātus: to lift, raise; abolish, destroy
tot (indecl. adj.): so many
tōtus, -a, -um: whole, entire
tractō (1): to drag, pull; treat, handle, manage
trādō, -ere, -didī, -ditus: to hand down
trādūcō, -ere, -dūxī, -ductus: to lead across, bring over
trahō, -ere, trāxī, tractus: to lead, drag, draw
trāns (prep. + acc.): across, over
trānseō, -īre, -iī or -ivī, -itus: to go across, cross, pass through
trecentī, -ae, -a: three hundred
trēs, tria: three
tribūnal, -ālis, n.: raised platform for magistrates' chairs

tribūnus militum: military tribune, officer who could command a legion in the Roman army
tū, tuī, tibi, tē, tē: you (singular)
tuba, -ae, f.: trumpet, war-trumpet
tum (adv.): then, at that time
tundō, -ere, tutudī, tūnsus: to hit, strike
turpis, -e: ugly, deformed, foul, dirty, obscene, disgraceful
tuus, -a, -um: your, yours (singular)
tyrannus, -ī, m.: tyrant

—U—

ubi (rel. adv. & conj.): where, when; (interrog. adv.): where?
ultimus, -a, -um: last, final
ūmidus, -a, -um: wet, liquid
umquam (adv.): ever, at any time
ūnus, -a, -um: one
urbs, urbis, f.: city
ūsitātus, -a, -um: customary, usual, ordinary
ūsus, -ūs, m.: use, experience
ut or **utī** (adv. or conj. introducing indic. or subj.): as, just as, when, that, so that, in order that
uter, utra, utrum: which (of two)
uterque, utraque, utrumque: each (of two), either one
utinam (conj.): if only, would that (introducing a wish)
ūtor, ūtī, ūsus sum (+ abl.): to use, make use of, enjoy; practice, experience
utrum ... an or **utrum ... -ne:** whether ... or
uxor, -ōris, f.: wife

—V—

valeō, -ēre, -uī, -itūrus: to be strong, have power, be well; **valē** or **valēte:** good-bye!
vector, -ōris, m.: passenger, seafarer
vehementius (adv.): more emphatically
vel (conj.): or
vēlum, -ī, n.: sail
velut or **velutī** (adv. or conj.): just as, just like, even as, as if
veniō, -īre, vēnī, ventus: to come

venter, -tris, m.: stomach, belly
ventus, -ī, m.: wind
verbum, -ī, n.: word
vereor, -ērī, veritus sum: to be afraid of, fear
vērītās, -tātis, f.: truth, reality, truthfulness, honesty
vērō (adv.): in truth, indeed
versus, -ūs, m.: turning; line, verse
vertō, -ere, vertī, versus: to turn, change
vērus, -a, -um: true, real
vester, vestra, vestrum: your, yours (plural)
vexillum, -ī, n.: military banner, flag, standard
via, -ae, f.: way, road, street
vīcīnus, -a, -um: neighboring
victima, -ae, f.: sacrificial beast, victim
vīctus, -ūs, m.: food, sustenance, means of living
videō, -ēre, vīdī, vīsus: to see, look at
videor, -ērī, vīsus sum: to seem, seem best
vigeō, -ēre, -uī: to thrive, be lively
vigilō (1): to be awake, be vigilant; **vigilāns, -antis:** watchful, diligent
vīgintī (indecl.): twenty
vīncō, -ere, vīcī, victus: to conquer, vanquish, get the better of
vīnum, -ī, n.: wine
vir, virī, m.: man, hero
virgō, -ginis, f.: maiden, young girl
virtūs, -tūtis, f.: manliness, strength, valor, virtue
vīs, vīs, f.: force, power
vīta, -ae, f.: life
vitium, -iī, n.: fault, vice, crime
vituperō (1): to blame, censure
vīvō, -ere, vīxī, vīctus: to live
vīvus, -a, -um: living, running, fresh
vocō (1): to call, summon
volō, velle, voluī: to want, wish; **volēns, -entis:** willing, ready
volō (1): to fly
voluptās, -tātis, f.: pleasure, enjoyment, delight
vōs, vestrum or vestrī, vōbīs, vōs, vōbīs: you (plural)
vōx, vōcis, f.: voice