

2018 Level III Classical Literacy Exam

1. Give the Latin phrase which means “God willing”.
2. “Not unkind” is an example of what figure of speech?
3. What Latin phrase means literally “of his own kind”?
4. Who was the author of the famous poem that begins “Odi et amo”?
5. What Roman poet is credited with the phrase “Carpe diem”?
6. What Latin phrase means “thus always to tyrants”?
7. What Athenian commander defeated the Persians at the naval battle of Salamis?
8. What Latin phrase means “to be rather than to seem”?
9. What Latin word do editors use to indicate that a possible error be allowed to stand?
10. What was the author of the messianic eclogue that prophesied the birth of a golden child?
11. What Greek playwright composed *The Bacchae*, *Medea* and *The Trojan Women*?
12. In what city did Rhea Silvia reside?
13. What Latin phrase means “Who will guard the guardians themselves”?
14. What number does MCMLXXXIV represent?
15. Who was the founder of Thebes?
16. What Latin phrase did Kant use to refer to ideas that existed prior to existence?
17. Who were the parents of the muses?
18. What is the name of the poem by Lucretius that espouses the philosophy of Epicurus?
19. What is the month, day and year of the founding of Rome?
20. What Roman emperor composed a stoic work in Greek called *The Meditations*?
21. What English noun refers to the act of throwing someone out a window?
22. What was the plainest of the three orders of architectural columns?
23. Give the Latin for the academic abbreviation M.A.
24. Whom did Odysseus leave behind to serve as mentor for his son Telemachus?
25. Give the full Latin phrase for the abbreviation a.u.c.



26. With whose funeral does *The Iliad* end?
27. What Latin phrase means “with other things being equal”?
28. Catullus’ use of the name Lesbia for his beloved Clodia was a tribute to what poet of Lesbos?
29. What Latin phrase means “to each his own”?
30. What philosopher taught that it is not possible to step in the same river twice?
31. What English adjective derives from roots meaning “flowing like honey”?
32. What term identifies the space between the death of one kind and the ascension of another?
33. What Latin phrase means “much in little”?
34. Who was killed by his own dogs after inadvertently catching sight of Artemis bathing?
35. Who spoke the words “Beware of Greeks bearing gifts”?
36. What name was given to the Latin Bible?
37. What king of Rome was known for establishing many of the religious customs of ancient Rome?
38. What Latin phrase means “Let arms yield to the toga”?
39. Aristotle used what Greek word that meant imitation?
40. Plato is to The Academy as Aristotle is to the _____.
41. Who was the mother of Tiberius, the second emperor of Rome?
42. What Latin phrase means “He himself has spoken”?
43. Achilles is to Hector as Aeneas is to _____.
44. Whose *Lives of the Twelve Caesars* was an important source for Robert Graves’ *I Claudius*?
45. What are the terms for the beginning and ending sections of a formal speech?
46. What was the chief literary patron during the reign of Augustus?
47. What Latin word refers to a gap or something missing in a manuscript?
48. What was the name for the Roman senate house in the forum?
49. What Greek phrase means “Know thyself”?
50. What Greek poet wrote choral odes celebrating victors at the Olympic and Pythian Games?

