

2004 Area B Latin Literature Test

1. The poet famous for writing about a sparrow was
a. Ovid b. Propertius c. Catullus d. Livy
2. This poet was exiled to Tomi for an inappropriate comment about Augustus's daughter Julia:
a. Propertius b. Ovid c. Tacitus d. Tibullus
3. This author composed *De viris illustribus* during the reign of Trajan
a. Suetonius b. Livy c. Ovid d. Tacitus
4. This Republic-age author wrote a book on grammar and Menippean satires
a. Varro b. Quintilian c. Cato the Elder d. Seneca
5. This poet wrote 4 books of poems, the first of which begins with the word *Cynthia*
a. Ovid b. Vergil c. Catullus d. Propertius
6. This author wrote a biography of his father-in-law, the governor of Britannia, Agricola.
a. Suetonius b. Tacitus c. Livy d. Pliny the Younger
7. Which work contains the "Cupid and Psyche" story?
a. Aeneid b. Somnium Scipionis c. Fasti d. The Golden Ass
8. Livy's *Ab Urbe Condita* was arranged in _____ books.
a. 20 b. 86 c. 142 d. 326
9. The literary patron who supported such authors as Vergil and Horace under the reign of Augustus was
a. Sulmo b. Messalla c. Aulus Gellius d. Maecenas
10. This love elegiast is our only source for the works of Sulpicia, Rome's only poetess.
a. Catullus b. Livy c. Ovid d. Tibullus
11. This Emperor wrote the *Meditations*
a. Marcus Aurelius b. Hadrian c. Trajan d. Augustus
12. This mythological poem is a series of stories connected by the theme of change:
a. Metamorphoses b. The Golden Ass c. Heroides d. Epistulae
13. This love poet wrote a poem in which one of the characters is a door:
a. Propertius b. Ovid c. Lucian d. Catullus
14. For his adaptation of Homer's *Odyssey* into Latin, this ex-slave was called the father of Latin Literature:
a. Ennius b. Livius Andronicus c. Aulus Gellius d. Asinius Pollio
15. Which of the following is NOT a play of Plautus's?
a. Adelphi b. Rudens c. Hercules Furens d. Nichomachian Ethics

16. This Silver Age poet wrote the *Thebais*, an epic concerning the quarrel between two of the Seven Against Thebes, Eteocles and Polynices:
a. Statius b. Lucan c. Martial d. Polybius
17. Caesar's *De Bello Gallico* is arranged according to:
a. year b. geography c. tribes d. theme
18. In Book ____ of the *Aeneid*, Aeneas journeys to the underworld to visit his father:
a. 1 b. 4 c. 6 d. 11
19. The author of the *Georgics* was
a. Terence b. Ovid c. Hesiod d. Vergil
20. The title of Terence's "Self-Tormentor" was
a. *Adelphi* b. *Heautontimorumenos* c. *Mostellaria* d. *Eunuchus*
21. This author did not write during the Golden Age:
a. Vergil b. Ovid c. Martial d. Horace
22. Delia was the feminine subject of this poet's love elegies:
a. Ovid b. Tibullus c. Propertius d. Catullus
23. Lucretius began his philosophical work with an invocation to this god/goddess to remove the fear of gods from his readers:
a. Minerva b. Juno c. Diana d. Venus
24. This philosopher, playwright, and tutor of Nero was forced to kill himself by the emperor for supposed involvement in a conspiracy:
a. Seneca the Elder b. Seneca the Younger c. Pliny the Elder d. Quintillian
25. This encyclopedist was cataloguing the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius when he died:
a. Seneca the Elder b. Seneca the Younger c. Pliny the Elder d. Varro
26. The author Sallust, expelled from the senate for immorality, wrote
a. The 12 Caesars b. History of Rome c. Jugurthine War d. Punic Wars
27. Lucan wrote this unfinished work in 10 books:
a. *Metamorphoses* b. *De re architectura* c. *Noctes Atticae* d. *Pharsalia*
28. This North African author wrote *The City of God* and *Confessions*:
a. St. Jerome b. Tertullian c. St. Augustine d. St. Ambrose
29. The meter of epic (the *Aeneid* and *Odyssey*) is
a. iambic pentameter b. elegiac couplet c. Sapphic strophe d. dactylic hexameter
30. This author wrote *The Golden Ass*, the misadventures of a donkey who is eventually let into the mystery cult of Isis:
a. Lucan b. Phormio c. Apuleius d. Macrobius

31. Which of these authors wrote a gourmet cookbook?
a. Apicius b. Varro c. Vitruvius d. Pliny the Elder
32. Pliny the Younger wrote a famous correspondence detailing his struggles to be a good governor of Bithynia to this emperor:
a. Domitian b. Vespasian c. Augustus d. Trajan
33. What were Ennius's famous "three hearts"?
a. languages b. women c. philosophies d. countries
34. Horace wrote all of the following except:
a. Satires b. Epistulae c. Ars Poetica d. Ars Amatoria
35. He was generally regarded as Rome's greatest poet:
a. Vergil b. Horace c. Ovid d. Catullus
36. The Greek poet who most influenced Vergil's Eclogues was
a. Theocritus b. Hesiod c. Homer d. Callimachus
37. Catullus's favored meter, hendecasyllables, is so-called because it contains
a. 14 syllables b. 12 syllables c. 10 syllables d. 11 syllables
38. This late Latin author taught St. Jerome, wrote grammar books and commentaries on Vergil:
a. Donatus b. Quintilian c. Atticus d. Tertullian
39. The type of Roman drama which dealt with serious historical subjects was known as *fabula*
a. *palliata* b. *saltica* c. *praetexta* d. *bonata*
40. Aulus Gellius wrote
a. Pharsalia b. Attic Nights c. Lives of the Caesars d. Germania
41. Which of the following was in the literary circle of Messalla:
a. Horace b. Propertius c. Gallus d. Ovid
42. The form of the epigram was thought to derive from:
a. choral religious pieces b. wedding songs c. traditional letters
d. tomb inscriptions
43. Cicero delivered his *Philippics* against
a. Brutus b. Caesar c. Marc Antony d. Philip V of Macedon
44. Whose mother, the infamous Agrippina, was quoted by Tacitus as saying "Let him kill me, so long as he is Emperor!"?
a. Caligula b. Claudius c. Commodus d. Nero
45. This Roman satirist was originally born poor and probably exiled for his open hatred of the emperor Domitian
a. Juvenal b. Martial c. Lucan d. Seneca the Elder

46. Whose work *History of the Jewish War* details the Roman assault on Masada?

- a. Josephus b. Mela c. Hyginus d. Origen

47. This author wrote the work *De Architectura*:

- a. Vitruvius b. Vellius Paterculus c. Silius Italicus d. Simonides

48. Which of the following is **not** a Terence play?

- a. Andria b. Eunuchus c. Phormio d. Aulularia

49. Silius Italicus's work is credited as being the longest extant Latin poem:

- a. Punica b. De Architectura c. De Rerum Natura d. Argonautica

50. The play *Miles Gloriosus* was written by

- a. Terence b. Seneca the Elder c. Plautus d. Pacuvius

51. In writing this work Vergil claimed to be the "Roman Hesiod"

- a. Aeneid b. Culex c. Georgics d. Eclogues

52. The story of "Trimalchio's Dinner" is contained in a work by:

- a. Petronius b. Apuleius c. Livy d. Lucan

53. This Roman Emperor wrote the Stoic-influenced *Meditations*

- a. Marcus Aurelius b. Hadrian c. Augustus d. Claudius

54. *Noctes Atticae* or *Attic Nights* is a collection of anecdotes concerning

- a. Greek and Latin authors b. Jokes c. dates with Greek Girls
d. famous generals

55. Naevius wrote this early epic in Saturnians, a native Italian meter:

- a. Romulus b. The Punic War c. The Civil War d. Roman History

56. In what speeches of Cicero do we find the exclamation "O tempora, o mores!"

- a. pro Caelio b. Phillipics c. In Catilinam d. Pro Milone

57. Which of the following was an ex-slave:

- a. Naevius b. Plautus c. Sallust d. Livius Andronicus

58. Lucretius's *De Rerum Natura* falls in the genre of _____ poetry:

- a. elegiac b. epic c. epigrammatic d. didactic

59. Ennius's epic *Annales* deals with the subject of:

- a. Roman History b. mythological metamorphoses c. Stoic philosophy
d. literary criticism

60. This great orator was a contemporary and rival of Cicero:

- a. Fronto b. Hortensius c. Lysias d. Caesar

61. This Roman statesman and author of a book on farming is perhaps most famous for his assiduous statement: *delenda est Karthago*:
a. Cato the Elder b. Seneca the Younger c. Naevius d. Scipio Aemilianus
62. This work of Horace is also entitled *Epistulae ad Pisones*:
a. Ars Amatoria b. Metamorphoses c. Satires d. Ars Poetica
63. In an Elegiac couplet, the first line contains ____ feet:
a. two b. four c. six d. eleven
64. Catullus's famous *epyllion* concerns the marriage of :
a. Helen and Menelaus b. Jupiter and Juno c. Peleus and Thetis
d. Baucis and Philemon
65. This author wrote the *Argonautica*
a. Livy b. Ovid c. Valerius Flaccus d. Quintilian
66. Horace wrote this many books of Odes
a. one b. two c. four d. six
67. This author wrote *On the Marriage of Mercury and Philology*, which gave rise to our modern educational division of the seven liberal arts:
a. St. Augustine b. Martianus Capella c. Martial d. Tertullian
68. Who was **not** a Spaniard by birth:
a. Lucan b. Martial c. Seneca the Younger d. Pliny the Elder
69. Ovid claimed that he was going to write an epic, but Cupid stole his ____
a. will b. foot c. sword d. love
70. This poem starts out *arma virumque cano*. . .
a. Metamorphoses b. Ab Urbe Condita c. Aeneid d. Bellum Civile

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96. This poet's tomb inscription reads: *cecini pascua, rura, duces*
a. Naevius b. Vergil c. Ovid d. Ennius
97. This North-African born orator later became a tutor in rhetoric to Marcus Aurelius
a. Hortensius b. Quintilian c. Varro d. Fronto
98. What is the first word of Propertius's first book of poems?
a. Cynthia b. prima c. fuit d. amor
99. The series of poems written as letters from famous mythological girls to their lovers was known as
a. Amores b. Heroides c. Metamorphoses d. Epistulae ad Amatores
100. This 1st century author wrote a work on agriculture called *De Re Rustica*:
a. Columella b. Fronto c. Lucilius d. Gallus