

2015 Classical Literacy Exam: Level III

1. Plato's Cave Allegory was intended to illustrate the meaning of what diagram of intellectual ascent?
2. Give the Latin phrase that means 'a healthy mind in a healthy body'?
3. Against what Etruscan king's onslaught did Horatius stand?
4. What Latin sentence means that taste is not something to be disputed?
5. The beginning and conclusion of a formal speech are called the _____ and the _____.
6. What brothers of Helen were known as the Dioscouri and became patron gods of sailors?
7. What is the Latin for the abbreviation *sc.*, meaning 'it is permitted to know'?
8. What English adjective means literally 'flowing like honey'?
9. Give the Latin for a reverential reference to an authority meaning 'He himself has said'?
10. What proclamation by Constantine provided for religious toleration throughout the empire?
11. What was the name of the senate house in the Forum Romanum?
12. What poetic device is being used when someone calls businessmen 'suits'?
13. What Greek phrase means 'Know thyself'?
14. What daughter of Agamemnon was sacrificed to appease Artemis?
15. Who proposed a system of ethics based upon the golden mean? 13.
16. What god ruled during the Silver Age?
17. Who were the parents of Antigone, Ismene, Eteocles and Polyneices?
18. What presocratic philosopher enigmatically stated that "Being is, not being is not"?
19. What Latin word do editors use to indicate that they wish an apparent error to stand uncorrected?
20. Because of the loss of what maiden did Achilles initially withdraw from the Trojan War?
21. What king of the Persians was present at the Battle of Thermopylae?
22. What is the Latin phrase that means 'burden of proof'?
23. What Latin phrase identifies the logical fallacy of thinking a prior event is the necessary cause of subsequent occurrence?
24. What is the Roman numeral for 949?



25. What Latin phrase refers to the art of saying much in a few words?
26. What Latin phrase means literally 'that is'?
27. Who wrote short histories of Rome's conflict with Jugurtha and Catiline?
28. What mythological character was punished for outwitting Death?
29. Say in Latin "It is sweet and honorable to die for one's country"?
30. What English adjective meaning 'idle' or 'indolent' derives from the Latin noun meaning 'leisure'?
31. From what rock on the Capitoline were traitors thrown to their deaths?
32. What 49 sisters were punished in Tartarus for murdering their husbands on their wedding night?
33. What Roman poet was the author of the *De Rerum Natura*, espousing epicureanism?
34. What is the Latin for the abbreviation *a.u.c.*?
35. What god rescued Ariadne, who had been abandoned by Theseus on the island of Naxos?
36. What Roman poet did Augustus send into exile on account of the poet's 'carmen et error'?
37. In the night sky, what constellation does Scorpio seem to be chasing?
38. What are the day, month and year of the founding of Rome? 37.
39. What Latin phrase means 'a word to the wise is sufficient'?
40. What term refers to the next to last item on an agenda?
41. What Roman matron did Sextus Tarquinius rape?
42. Whom did Caesar defeat at the battle of Alesia?
43. What Latin phrase from Juvenal ridicules the Roman appetite for free food and entertainment?
44. What is the Latin for the abbreviation M.A.?
45. Who was Aeneas's trusty companion throughout all his trials and adventures?
46. What daughter of Aeetes killed her sons and fled to Athens in a chariot drawn by dragons?
47. What Athenian lawgiver told Croesus that no man could be called happy while he is still living?
48. Which one of the Five Good Emperors is said to have put the dome on the Pantheon?
49. What Latin phrase means 'with other things being equal'?
50. From what gate of the Underworld do false dreams come?

