

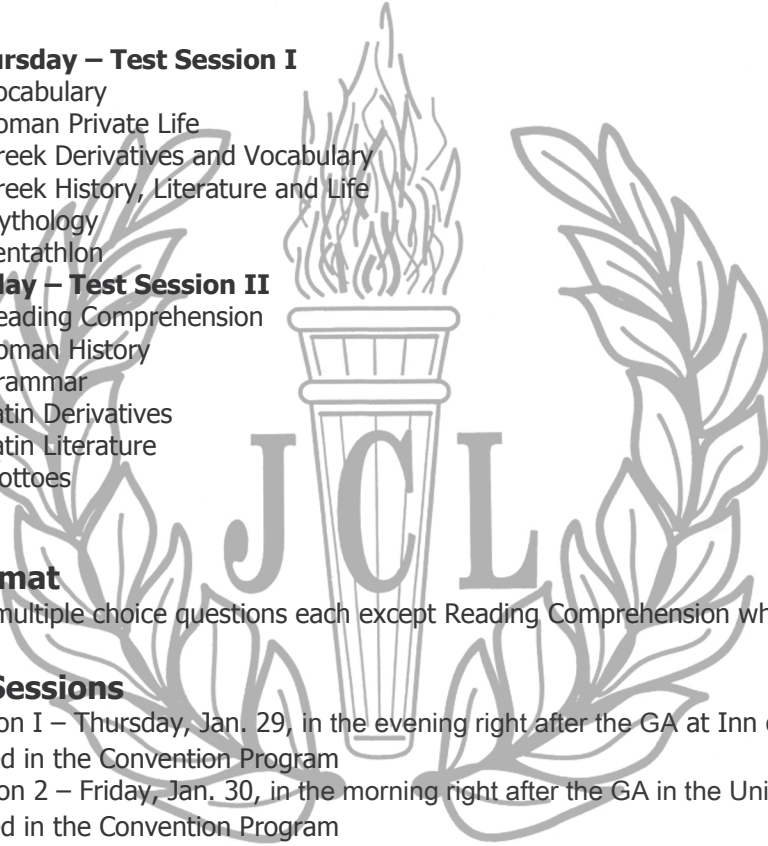
Wisconsin Junior Classical League



Convention Test Plan and Study Guide

***Inn on the Park and Memorial Union
Madison, WI***

Test Plans:

- I. Test Writing** – UW Classics Department under supervision of Jeff Beneker and Laura McClure
 - II. Test Run-Offs** – Under the supervision of Gale Stone
 - a. They will be done early enough to have them numbered and answer keys completed
 - b. They will be done at a secure place from all WJCL teachers
 - c. Storage of the prepped tests will be at a secure location
 - III. Test Rooms** – they will be listed in the program for Convention
 - IV. Test List**
 - 1. Thursday – Test Session I**
 - a. Vocabulary
 - b. Roman Private Life
 - c. Greek Derivatives and Vocabulary
 - d. Greek History, Literature and Life
 - e. Mythology
 - f. Pentathlon
 - 2. Friday – Test Session II**
 - a. Reading Comprehension
 - b. Roman History
 - c. Grammar
 - d. Latin Derivatives
 - e. Latin Literature
 - f. Mottoes
 - V. Test Format**
 - a. 50 multiple choice questions each except Reading Comprehension which is 30 questions
 - VI. Testing Sessions**
 - a. Session I – Thursday, Jan. 29, in the evening right after the GA at Inn on the Park. Rooms will be listed in the Convention Program
 - b. Session 2 – Friday, Jan. 30, in the morning right after the GA in the Union. Rooms will be listed in the Convention Program
 - VII. Testing Levels**
 - a. Level 1 = Latin I
 - b. Level 2 = Latin II
 - c. Level 3 = Latin III
 - d. Level 4 = Latin IV, V, and VI
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Syllabus:

Grammar

Official source: Allen and Greenough, New Latin Grammar

Unofficial sources: High school grammar guides and texts, past National Latin Exams (1-20) and NLE Syllabus, Review and Test Preparation Guide: Beginning and Intermediate

Latin 1 tested concepts:

Complete indicative system for common verbs (act + pass)
Present active imperative, present infinitives
Declensions 1-2-3, seven cases
Adjectives: declensions 1-2-3
Common pronouns including relative clauses
Common subordination with indicative
Adverbs
Noun/adjective agreement, relative pronoun/antecedent

Latin 2 tested concepts:

All of the above plus
Declensions 4-5
Participles and ablative absolute
Comparison of adjectives and adverbs
Indirect statement
Common Subjunctive uses and tenses

Advanced Latin tested concepts:

All of the above plus
More subjunctive uses
Gerund(ive), supine
Poetic variants (e.g., -ere for -erunt)

Types of Questions:

Incomplete Latin sentence, translate English to Latin and Latin to English

Vocabulary

Latin 1:

Common vocabulary for the Latin 1 texts

Latin 2:

Above, plus frequent vocabulary from easy authors

Advanced Latin:

Basic Latin Vocabulary: Brunel plus Sadler list (ACL)

Vocabulary is generic (by frequency) and not keyed to one author or text.

Latin Derivatives

Official source: *Oxford Dictionary of English Etymology*

Unofficial source: Latin Derivative Dictionary, English Dictionaries, Vocabulary of Science, Eureka, Etyma, Ayers, etc., Burriss and Cason, Nybaken, etc.

Types of Questions:

English vocabulary (antonym or synonym), Latin root or meaning of Latin root, which does not belong

English vocabulary is generic by frequency and not keyed to any specific source.

Latin Literature

Official sources: Hadas, *History of Latin Literature*; Cambridge *History of Classical Literature v.2*

Unofficial sources: Mottoes books, text of major authors

Latin 1 – 2:

Major authors, works, topics, characters

Advanced Latin:

Add quotes, literary devices, etc.

Greek Language and Derivatives

Official source: *Oxford Dictionary of English Etymology*

Unofficial source: Greek Derivative Dictionary, English Dictionaries, Vocabulary of Science, Eureka, Etyma, Ayers, etc., Burriss and Cason, Nybaken, etc.

Alphabet

Common Greek vocabulary

Generic by frequency

Mottoes

Mottoes, abbreviations, Latin sayings, perhaps some interpretation

Official source: *Amo, Amas, Amat* or *Oxford Dictionary of Latin Phrases*

For Advanced Latin:

Anchor Book of Latin Quotations, Veni, Vidi, Vici

Common Latin sayings, abbreviations, phrase context, Latin quotes and phrase translation (Adv)

Roman History

Official sources: *Oxford Classical Dictionary* (2nd and 3rd ed.), Cary-Scullard, *Atlas of Roman History*

Unofficial sources: Grant, ACL spiral, Paul Taylor's guide, etc. *Handbook to Life Ancient Rome*

Knowledge expands by Level:

Latin 1:

Approximately 5 characters/events per century, greater focus in this time period 133 B.C. to 117 A.D.

Latin 2:

More material

Advanced Latin:

Much more

Geography as appropriate by level

Mythology

Official sources: Morford and Lenardon or Powell, Tripp or Grimal

Unofficial sources: Richardson, Hamilton, Kravitz, Grant & Hazel, Grimal (concise)

Latin 1:

Major deities and hero stories

Latin 2:

Above plus understanding of *Iliad*, *Odyssey*, *Aeneid*, *Metamorphoses*

Advanced Latin:

All significant characters and stories

Roman Private Life

Official sources: H. Johnson, M. Johnson, *Handbook to Life in Ancient Rome*

Unofficial sources: high school texts, etc.

Latin 1:

Very basic information on each chapter topic in M. Johnson

Latin 2:

Much more information from M. Johnson

Advanced Latin:

Some familiarity with H. Johnson as well

Reading Comprehension

Tests shall be generic (not directed toward any specific texts.)

If possible Latin 2 and Advanced Latin will contain real Latin

Advanced Latin:

A balance of prose and poetry

Pentathlon:

Shall follow the rules above for Grammar, Vocabulary, Latin Derivatives, Roman History and Mythology

Each test shall consist of 10 questions from Grammar, Latin Vocabulary, Latin Derivatives, Roman History and Mythology

Questions shall not be identical to questions from the category tests

Sample Questions:

Grammar

1. Puella ... laudat. a) puer b) pueri c) puero d) puerum
2. Gladio pugnat. a) at b) in c) to d) with a sword
3. Change portat to passive. A) portabit b) portavit c) portatur d) portent

Stress on language use

Vocabulary

1. amo (or amare) a) carry b) hold c) love d) sail
2. window a) fenestra b) mensa c) sella d) tectum
3. unrelated by meaning: a) frater b) mater c) pater d) uxor

Latin Derivatives

1. synonym: provincial a) courageous b) narrow-minded c) lazy d) obscure
2. antonym: arcane a) common b) courageous c) valuable d) voluble
3. derived from mitto a) mitten b) miter c) miserable d) missile
4. meaning of Latin word from which English word is derived (or Latin word from which English word is derived)

Roman History

1. First Roman emperor: a) Augustus b) Caligula c) Claudius d) Trajan
2. Romans lost at: a) Cannae b) Beneventum c) Aegates Island d) Zama
3. Largest island: a) Corsica b) Rhodes c) Sardinia d) Sicily

Roman Literature

1. Author of Aeneid: a) Catullus b) Cicero c) Horace d) Vergil
2. Number of Eclogues: a) one b) three c) ten d) fifteen
3. Who wrote "Odi et amo": a) Catullus b) Cicero c) Horace d) Vergil

Greek Derivatives

1. antonym of prosaic a) literal b) nomastic c) poetic d) zeugmatic
2. φύσις means: a) order b) word c) nature d) finger
3. period a) περίμετρον b) παράδοσις c) ὁδός d) ὁδοῦς

Roman Private Life

1. fenestra a) door b) chair c) window d) roof
2. In the name Marcus Tullius Cicero which is the praenomen?
3. How many guests at a Roman banquet?

Mottoes

1. sic semper tyrannis followed by 4 states, or 4 translations, or 4 names to which it could refer
2. abbreviations – Latin words – translation
3. quote: translation or author

Mythology

1. King of gods a) Apollo b) Hera c) Hermes d) Zeus
2. Who killed Achilles? a) Ajax b) Hector c) Paris d) Priam
3. Number of Muses: a) 2 b) 3 c) 9 d) 12

Greek History, Literature and Life

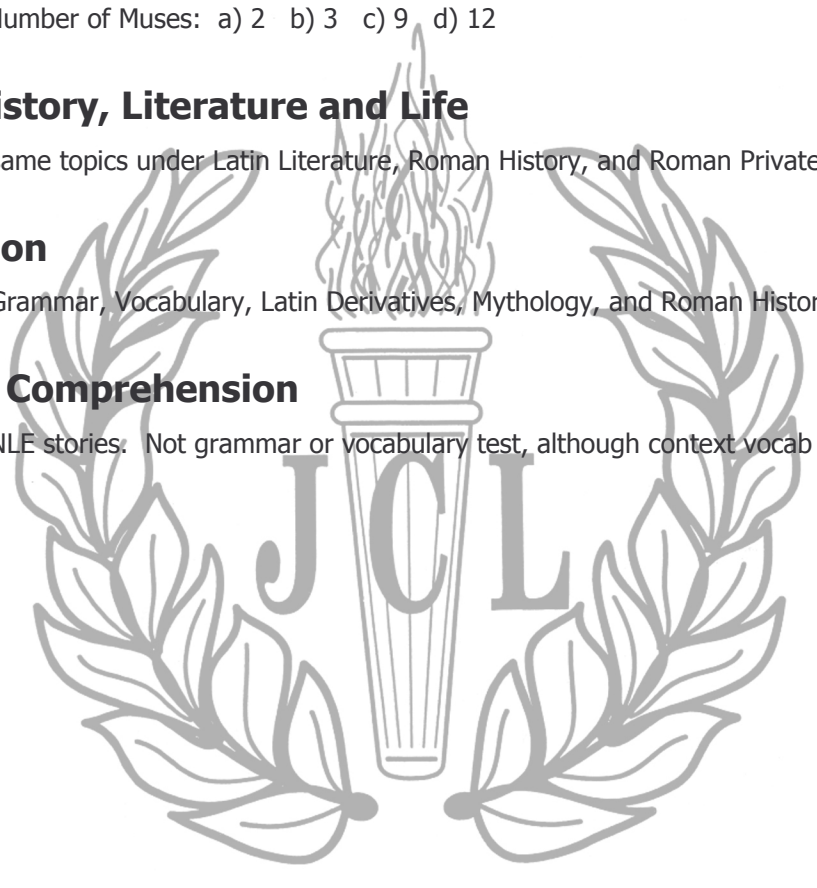
See same topics under Latin Literature, Roman History, and Roman Private Life

Pentathlon

See Grammar, Vocabulary, Latin Derivatives, Mythology, and Roman History

Reading Comprehension

See NLE stories. Not grammar or vocabulary test, although context vocab OK



Test Sources:

These sources are suggested sources and are not to be considered definitive ones, since questions may come from other sources as well.

Greek Derivatives

Greek-English Derivative Dictionary, (B103/\$6.30), *Dictionary of Latin & Greek Origins*, by Bob Moore and Maxine Moore, (B113/\$18.60), both are available from the Teaching Materials and Resource Center, The American Classical League, Oxford, OH 45056; and *Latin and Greek in Current Use*, by Burriss and Casson.

Hellenic History

From the Hellenic Period up to the death of Alexander. *Ancient Greek from Prehistoric to Hellenistic Times*, by Thomas R. Martin (Yale University Press); *Ancient Greece: A Political, Social and Cultural History*, by Sarah B. Pomeroy (Oxford University Press)

Greek Life and Literature

History of Greek Literature by Moses Hadas; *Handbook to Life in Ancient Greece* by Leslie Adkins and Roy Adkins.

Latin Grammar

Latin I: Any first year Latin Text and *A New Latin Grammar*, Allen and Greenough
Latin II, III, IV, and V: *A New Latin Grammar*, Allen and Greenough

Mottoes, Abbreviations, and Quotations

Amo, Amas, Amat and More, Ehrlich: Latin authors and dictionaries of quotations. *Latin Everywhere, Everyday*, Elizabeth Heimbach, CD by James Chochola, Bolchazy-Carducci 2004 ISBN 0-86516-572-6

Latin Derivatives

Latin-English, English-Latin Derivative Dictionary; CD ROM, PC and Macintosh compatible available from James Greenwald, Marquette University High School, 3401 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53208; \$20.00 (Make checks payable to MUHS, all proceeds go to the MUHS JCL.) *Dictionary of Latin & Greek Origins*, by Bob Moore and Maxine Moore, (B113/\$18.60) available from the Teaching Materials and Resource Center, The American Classical League, Oxford, OH 45056; and *Latin and Greek in Current Use*, by Burriss and Casson.

Roman History

A History of the Roman People, by Heichelman, Ward and Yeo. *The Penguin Dictionary of Ancient History*; *A History of Rome*, by M. Cary and H. H. Scullard; *Caesar and Christ*, Durant; *A Handbook to Life in Ancient Rome* (B461/\$23.50) by Leslie Adkins and Roy Adkins. Available from the Teaching Materials and Resource Center, The American Classical League, Oxford, OH 45056.

Reading Comprehension

Latin I, Latin II, Advanced Prose (Levels III, IV, V, and VI), Advanced Poetry (Levels III, IV, V, and VI), Students of Levels III – VI may take **one or both** of the Reading Comprehension tests. *On the Margin*, (Oxford University Press) is a good example for this competition.

Roman Private Life and Customs

In the Daily Life of the Ancient Romans, by Hicks, ISBN 87-226-5951. *Daily Life in Ancient Rome*, by Carcopino, ISBN 30000316. *Handbook to Life in Ancient Rome*, by Leslie Adkins and Roy Adkins, Chapter 9 (B461/\$23.50), Available from the Teaching Materials and Resource Center, The American Classical League, Oxford, OH 45056.

Latin Vocabulary

Latin Word Building and Etymology, by J. D. Sadler (J6/\$1.35); *Basic Latin Vocabulary*, by Donald J. Brunel (B101/\$6.90) both available from Teaching Materials and Resource Center, The American Classical League, Oxford, OH 45056.

Mythology

Classical Mythology, by Mark Morford and Robert Lenardon; Meridian *Handbook of Classical Mythology*, by Edward Tripp.

Latin Literature

History of Latin Literature, by Moses Hadas – with very little after p. 352 except major Christian authors; the *Cambridge History of Classical Literature*, Vol. II Latin Literature; Roman authors. *A Handbook to Latin Literature* by H. J. Rose; *Latin Literature* by Gian Biagio Conte.



Certamen:

The sponsor signs up the teams for their school on the electronic school registration form. One team per level is allowed. Each team will consist of a maximum of 6 members. There will be three rounds of play and a final round for each level Friday evening at Inn on the Park. Team members will be allowed to change between rounds, but the ribbons and individual sweepstakes points will be awarded to only the players playing in the final round.

Question Sources

- I. Allen and Greenough, and also Gildersleeve and Lodge, are the authorities on grammar and syntax; Lewis and Short as well as the *Oxford Latin Dictionary* are the authorities on spelling, vocabulary, translation into English, and the occurrence or non-occurrence of forms. Any good English dictionary is an adequate source for etymology and Latin abbreviations used in English.

- II. There is no single source for mythology. An answer must be verifiable in one of the following dictionaries or in an original source. Questions based on a particular author's variant version of a myth will be so stated: e.g., "according to Ovid" or "in Euripides."
 - Michael Grant and John Hazel, *Gods and Mortals in Classical Mythology*
 - Mark Morford, *Classical Mythology* (3rd edition or later)
 - Edward Tripp, *Crowell's Handbook of Classical Mythology*
 - *Meridian Handbook of Classical Mythology* (Paperback version of previous title)
 - Pierre Grimal, *Dictionary of Classical Mythology*

- III. For Roman daily life the other source is Harold Johnson's *Private Life of the Romans*. For Roman History there are four additional resources:
 - *The Oxford Classical Dictionary*, 2nd and 3rd editions
 - M. Cary and H. H. Scullard, *A History of Rome* (3rd edition)
 - Heichelheim, Ward, and Yeo, *A History of the Roman People*
 - *The Penguin Dictionary of Ancient History*

- IV. The additional sources for Literature are:
 - *The Oxford Classical Dictionary*, 2nd and 3rd editions
 - *The Oxford Companion to Classical Literature*
 - Gian Biagio Conte, *Latin Literature: A History*
 - Moses Hadas, *A History of Latin Literature*
 - Lillian Feder, *Crowell's Handbook of Latin Literature*

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For categories III and IV above, *the Oxford Classical Dictionary*, 2nd edition remains the *summa auctoritas*, though some questions may be taken from the new entries of the 3rd edition.

The sources for Tests and Certamen on the previous pages are taken from publications of Nationals. They are all excellent study sources.