WJCL State Certamen 2018 Level II Preliminaries - Round I

1. Welcome back to Certamen, and welcome back to the Cinema Romana! What 2015 mega-release might be known to the Romans as Bellum Astrorum: Vis Exsurgit? STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS

B1: What recent release might be known to the Romans as **Infans Agitator**?

BABY DRIVER

B2: What upcoming movie might be known as **Societas Iustitiae**?

JUSTICE LEAGUE

2. Translate the following sentence from Latin to English: Propter mores humanos pacem vēram nōn habēbimus.

ON ACCOUNT OF HUMAN CUSTOMS WE WILL NOT HAVE TRUE PEACE B1: Now translate this famous quotation of Vegetius into English: Sī vīs pācem, parā bellum.

IF YOU WANT PEACE, PREPARE FOR WAR

B2: Now translate this sentence into English: Perīcula bellī non sunt parva, sed patria tua tē vocābit.

> THE DANGERS OF WAR ARE NOT SMALL. BUT YOUR FATHERLAND WILL CALL YOU

3. In the *Odyssey*, what son of Euanthes and priest of Apollo gives Odysseus twelve jars of wine, which he later uses to intoxicate Polyphemus?

MARON

B1: Maron lived among the Cicones in what city?

ISMARUS

B2: How many men did Odysseus and his crew lose from each ship in their haste to escape the Cicones?

SIX

4. According to Livy, what king of Rome held nightly consultations with a nymph who guided him in establishing many religious rites?

NUMA POMPILIUS

B1: Name this mysterious nymph.

EGERIA

B2: What important structure did Numa found, which was open in wartime and closed in peace?

TEMPLE OF JANUS

5. From what Latin verb, with what meaning, do we derive "mess," "premise," and "submit"?

MITTO, TO SEND

B1: From what Latin verb, with what meaning, do we derive "mutiny," "motif," and "remote"?

MOVEO, TO MOVE

B2: From what Latin verb, with what meaning, do we derive "exquisite" and "inquest"?

OUAERO, TO SEEK/SEARCH FOR

6. What woman was warned by the Fates at the birth of her son not to destroy his lifebrand, but killed him by tossing it in the fire in a fit of anger?

ALTHAEA

B1: Althaea was the husband of what king of Calydon, who received the boar after he failed to sacrifice to Artemis?

OENEUS

B2: Oeneus had earlier received the gift of the vine from what god, whom he allowed to lay with his wife while he was away?

DIONYSUS

7. Before becoming the decisive commander in the Second Punic War, what Roman general barely managed to save his elderly father at the battle of Ticinus River?

SCIPIO AFRICANUS

B1: At what battle in 208 BC did Africanus earn his first major victory on his campaign through Spain?

BAECULA

B2: Later where in Spain did the young Scipio perfect his double-encirclement tactic?

8. Give a Latin verb which means "fear"?

DO NOT REVEAL THE OTHERS: TIMEŌ, METUŌ, VEREOR, FORMIDŌ

B1: Give another.

SEE ABOVE

B2: Give another.

SEE ABOVE

9. In Book 3 of the *Iliad*, what woman points out the major Greek chieftains to Priam, but notes the conspicuous absence of her brothers Castor and Pollux?

HELEN

B1: By what collective name were Castor and Pollux otherwise known?

DIOSCURI/TYNDARIDAE

B2: Which of the Greeks which Helen describes was the tallest?

ACHILLES

10. Make the phrase **frāter laetus** genitive singular.

FRATRIS LAETĪ

B1: Give the equivalent form for the phrase **equus ingēns**.

EQUĪ INGĒNTIS

B2: Make that form ablative.

EQUŌ INGĒNTĪ

11. Give the English for the abbreviation **A.U.C.**

FROM THE FOUNDING OF THE CITY

B1: Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation viz.

VIDELICET, NAMELY

B2: Give the Latin and English for the abbreviation cf.

CONFER, COMPARE

12. What was the profession of an **argentarius**?

BANKER

B1: What was the profession of a **publicanus**?

TAX-COLLECTOR

B2: What was the profession of a **vitriarius**?

GLASSMAKER

13. What youth was drowned by the nymph Pegae, causing Heracles to go mad with grief and abandon the mission of the Argonauts?

HYLAS

B1: What twin sons of Boreas convinced the Argonauts to go on without Heracles?

ZETES and CALAIS

B2: What other crew member did the Argonauts leave behind, although he prospered and founded the city of Ceus?

POLYPHEMUS [YES, DIFFERENT FROM THE CYCLOPS]

14. Translate this sentence from English to Latin: The man who was walking on the road was my friend.

VIR QUĪ IN VIĀ AMBULĀBAT / AMBULĀVIT ERAT AMĪCUS (MEUS)

B1: Now translate this sentence from English to Latin: The man with whom you were working was my friend.

VIR QUŌCUM LABORĀBAS ERAT AMĪCUS (MEUS)

B2: Now translate this sentence from English to Latin: The man to whom I gave the reward was my friend.

VIR CUI PRAEMIUM DEDĪ ERAT AMĪCUS (MEUS)

15. Because of his admiration for Greek culture, what emperor revived a fashionable beard and was called Graeculus, meaning "Greekling"?

HADRIAN

B1: During Hadrian's reign, a major revolt was sparked in what province because of the controversial placement of a temple of Jupiter Optimus Maximus?

JUDAEA

B2: What Jewish leader organized the revolt in Judaea?

SIMON BAR KOKHBA

16. Listen carefully to the following passage, adapted from Caesar's *Gallic Wars*, which I will read twice, then answer in ENGLISH the question that follows:

Gallia est omnis dīvīsa in partēs trēs, quārum ūnam incolunt Belgae, aliam Aquītānī, tertiam quī ipsōrum linguā Celtae, nostrā Gallī appellantur. Hī omnēs linguā, īnstitūtīs, lēgibus inter sē differunt. Gallōs ab Aquītānīs Garumna flūmen, ā Belgīs Matrona et Sequana dīvidit. Hōrum omnium fortissimī sunt Belgae.

The question: Of all the tribes in Gaul, which was the strongest?

BELGIANS /.BELGAE

B1: Into how many parts was Gaul divided?

THREE

B2: What were the Gauls called in their own language?

CELTAE / CELTS