

2019 NCJCL Latin Literature Test

<u>Literature ID #s:</u>	Middle School = 160	Latin 2 = 162	Latin 4 = 164
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1. What other name is given to Apuleius' *The Golden Ass*? A. *Bucolica* B. *Metamorphoses* C. *Sermones* D. *Bella*
2. Who is credited with the invention of *fabulae praetextae*?
A. Livius Andronicus B. Quintus Ennius C. Gnaeus Naevius D. Plautus
3. Which play of Plautus gives us a sample of the Carthaginian language?
A. *Poenulus* B. *Epidicus* C. *Pseudolus* D. *Aulularia*
4. Who wrote *De Architectura*? A. Vitruvius B. Quintilian C. Cicero D. Hortensius
5. What is the pseudonym given to the woman whom Tibullus writes about in his first book of elegies?
A. Lesbia B. Cynthia C. Hostia D. Delia
6. Which of the following was **not** written by Ovid? A. *Phoenissae* B. *Tristia* C. *Epistulae ex Ponto* D. *Metamorphoses*
7. Which Roman wrote a history of the Etruscans in Greek? A. Augustus B. Tiberius C. Claudius D. Marcus Aurelius
8. How many books of Seneca the Elder's *Controversiae* are extant? A. 2 B. 3 C. 4 D. 5
9. Who wrote a 17-book epic about the Second Punic War, titled *Punica*? A. Livy B. Silius Italicus C. Cicero D. Naevius
10. Who called Petronius the *arbiter elegantiae*? A. Nero B. Claudius C. Messalina D. Rutilius
11. Which author does **not** belong to the Ciceronian period? A. Catullus B. Caesar C. Lucretius D. Tibullus
12. The *Lives of the Caesars* by Suetonius includes biographies of Roman rulers from Julius Caesar through
A. Hadrian B. Trajan C. Nerva D. Domitian
13. What is the literary term for insulting, abusive criticism? A. epideictic B. panegyric C. invective D. didactic
14. Which author is *incorrectly* matched with his work?
A. Tacitus; *Res Gestae* B. Lucan; *Bellum Civile* C. Livy; *Ab Urbe Condita* D. Juvenal; *Saturae*
15. Upon what Greek author's work did Vergil style his *Eclogues*?
A. Callimachus B. Theocritus C. Hesiod D. Sappho
16. Which work of Cato the Elder is the oldest extant work of prose in Latin?
A. *Origines* B. *De Agri Cultura* C. *Historiae* D. *Sermones*
17. Which of the following events in Cicero's career came **FIRST** chronologically?
A. He defends Archias the poet. C. He attacks Calpurnius Piso in an oration.
B. He writes *De Officiis*. D. He delivers the *In Catilinam*.
18. What were the names of the men ordered by Augustus to edit the *Aeneid*, going against Vergil's dying wish that the *Aeneid* be burned? A. Pullo & Vorenus B. Titus & Tiro C. Gabinius & Gallus D. Varius & Tucca
19. Which work of Horace was specifically commissioned by Augustus and was sung by 27 boys and girls in 17 BCE?
A. *Carmen Saeculare* B. *Liber Spectulorum* C. *Ars Poetica* D. *Epodes*
20. Which of the following Greek works did Livius Andronicus translate into Latin verse?
A. *The Iliad* B. *The Odyssey* C. *Works and Days* D. *Theogony*
21. Which poet wrote an epic treatise on matter, including an atomic theory, as a way of freeing people from the fear of death? A. Lucretius B. Seneca the Elder C. Pliny the Elder D. Seneca the Younger
22. What genre, according to Quintilian, was an entirely Roman creation? A. elegy B. Epic C. Satire D. Comedy
23. Catullus' epyllion, *Carmen 64*, contains an ekphrasis that tells the story of
A. Cupid and Psyche B. Pyramus and Thisbe C. Echo and Narcissus D. Theseus and Ariadne
24. The subject of Lucan's *Pharsalia* is
A. civil war between Caesar and Pompey. C. civil war between Marius and Sulla.
B. social war between Marius and the Italian Allies. D. civil war between Octavian and Antony.
25. To whom did Seneca write the *Epistulae Morales*? A. his children B. Lucilius C. Nero D. Persius
26. All of the following statements about Hortensius are true *except*
A. he was younger than Cicero C. he opposed Cicero in the debate on the *Lex Manilia*
B. Cicero praised him in *Brutus* D. He was very wealthy

27. What Roman historian wrote a work beginning with the fall of Troy and ending with the death of Livia, and includes chapters about the evolution of Latin literature? A. Tacitus B. Aulus Gellius C. Suetonius D. Velleius Paterculus
28. Who addressed a poem to Cicero that begins, *Disertissime Romuli nepotum*?
A. Propertius B. Catullus C. Horace D. Cinna
29. Which play of Plautus gave Shakespeare his plot for the *Comedy of Errors*?
A. *Menaechmi* B. *Mercator* C. *Cistellaria* D. *Mostellaria*
30. What work opens with the line, *Quo usque tandem abutere, Catilina, potentia nostra*?
A. *In Catilinam 1* B. *In Catilinam 2* C. *In Catilinam 3* D. *In Catilinam 4*
31. Which of the following emperors is **not** satirized by Julian in *The Caesars*?
A. Augustus B. Trajan C. Vespasian D. Marcus Aurelius
32. What is thought to be the real name of Propertius' Cynthia? A. Lesbia B. Delia C. Hostia D. Plania
33. What freedman and close friend of Sulla did Cicero implicate in a corruption scheme in his defense of Sextus Roscius? A. Rutilius Rufus B. Strabo C. Chrysogonus D. Faustus
34. In what genre of literature did Phaedrus specialize? A. satire B. fable C. mime D. Elegy
35. What man, a notable patron in Rome, wrote a history about the Roman civil wars from 60 to 42 BCE?
A. Maecenas B. Asinius Pollio C. Messala Corvinus D. Appian
36. Which of the following was **not** written by Terence?
A. *Heauton Timorumenos* B. *Adelphoi* C. *Hecyra* D. *Rudens*
37. Quintus Ennius was famously described as having three hearts, in reference to his knowledge of three languages. Which was **not** one of these languages? A. Latin B. Etruscan C. Greek D. Oscan
38. Who wrote a twenty-five-book work on Latin grammar, titled *De Lingua Latina*?
A. Varro B. Quintilian C. Vitruvius D. Cato the Elder
39. In which of the following plays of Seneca does one find the story of the untimely demise of Hippolytus at the behest of his father? A. *Phaedra* B. *Medea* C. *Thyestes* D. *Hercules Oetaeus*
40. What was the earliest work to connect the Trojan War with myths of Rome's founding?
A. *Origines* B. *Aeneid* C. *Bellum Punicum* D. *Ab Urbe Condita*
41. Which work was written to be performed at the opening of the Colosseum?
A. *Liber Spectaculorum* B. *Carmen Saeculare* C. *Fasti* D. *Institutio Oratoria*
42. Catullus calls his poems *nugae* in order to refer to their
A. importance B. archaic style C. frivolity D. philosophical ideals
43. Which author was a student of the Stoic philosopher Cornutus?
A. Seneca B. Persius C. Petronius D. Horace
44. What Roman gave authors such as Calvus, Cinna, and Catullus the title of "neoteric poets"?
A. Caesar B. Cicero C. Cato the Elder D. Cornelius Fuscus
45. Corippus' work *In Laudem Iustini Minoris* could best be described as
A. invective B. didactic C. panegyric D. satirical
46. In what book of Caesar's *De Bello Gallico* do we learn about the soldiers Pullo and Vorenus?
A. Book II B. Book III C. Book IV D. Book V
47. What writer and rhetoric teacher was the tutor of St. Jerome?
A. Servius B. Titus Donatus C. Aelius Donatus D. Charisius
48. Which of the following was **not** written by Sallust?
A. *Bellum Jurgurthinum* B. *Bellum Civile* C. *Historiae* D. *Bellum Catilinae*
49. Which author wrote the line *Vides ut alta stet nive candidum Soracte*?
A. Horace B. Propertius C. Tibullus D. Vergil
50. Which of the following plays of Plautus does **not** have any women in it?
A. *Trinummus* B. *Curculio* C. *Captivi* D. *Truculentus*

Tiebreaker Questions: Write the answer to each question on the back of your scan sheet. Please write legibly.

1. What 1st century CE Roman author wrote popular epigrams, which often praised Domitian?
2. Who is known as the father of Latin literature?
3. Who translated the *Odyssey* into Saturnians?