# 2003 Chancellor Certamen

## LEVEL II - ROUND 1

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1) WRITE-DOWN: Welcome to the Chancellor Certamen. As we continue to tinker with the format and rules of the game, we ask that you write down the answers to your first five questions. Give the Latin for the verb in the following sentence: "Write your answers, students!" *SCRIBITE*
   BONUS: For the bonus, write the entire command in Latin.
   *SCRIBITE (VESTRA) RESPONSA, DISCIPULI!*

2) WRITE-DOWN: Into how many *horae*, or hours, was the Roman day divided?
   TWELVE (12)
   BONUS: Into how many *vigiliae*, or watches, was the Roman night divided?
   FOUR (4)

3) WRITE-DOWN: Who supposedly fiddled while Rome burned?
   NERO
   BONUS: Nero took advantage of the great fire of AD 64 and built what magnificent palace? DOMUS AUREA

4) WRITE-DOWN: What mythological beasts had the faces of maidens but the bodies of vultures? HARPIES
   BONUS: In the myth of Jason and the Argonauts, harpies have been sent by Hera to foul and steal food from the table of what blind seer? PHINEUS

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5) WRITE-DOWN: For this question, look at the picture and answer the following question. Identify the deity in this picture. HERMES/MERCURY
   BONUS: What is the name of the staff he is carrying?
   CADUCEUS

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6) TOSS-UP: What Roman religious ceremony involved the sacrifice of three
   different animals?                    SUOVETAURILIA
   BONUS: What three animals were sacrificed in a suovetaurilia?
                                         PIG, SHEEP, and BULL

7) TOSS-UP: What is the ablative singular in Latin of the phrase "this slave"?
                                         *HOC  SERVO*
   BONUS: What is the dative singular in Latin of the phrase "the slave himself"?
                                         *SERVO IPSI*

8) TOSS-UP: According to mythology, who disregarded his father's advice and flew too
   close to the sun, thus falling to his death into the sea?    ICARUS
   BONUS: Also according to mythology, who was killed by Jupiter because he rejected
   his father's pleas to change his wish and, while driving the chariot of the sun, lost
   control and set the world on fire?         PHAETHON

9) TOSS-UP: Name four of the original seven hills of Rome.
                                         CAPITOLINE, QUIRINAL, VIMINAL,
                                         ESQUILINE, CAELIAN, AVENTINE,
                                         PALATINE
   BONUS: Name the other three.          (SEE ABOVE)

10) TOSS-UP: By what title are Nerva, Trajan, Hadrian, Antoninus Pius, and Marcus
    Aurelius known?                      THE FIVE GOOD EMPERORS
    BONUS: Which of The Five Good Emperors is known as the "philosopher emperor"?
                                         MARCUS AURELIUS

11) TOSS-UP: What was the actual Greek name for the story of Jason and the Argonauts?
                                         *ARGONAUTICA*
    BONUS: By what poet was the *Argonautica* written?
                                         APOLLONIUS OF RHODES/
                                         APOLLONIUS RHODIUS

12) TOSS-UP: What ordinal number is missing from the following sequence: *primus,
    tertius, septimus, nonus*?           QUINTUS
    BONUS: What would be the Latin title of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*?
                                         *DUODECIMA NOX*

13) TOSS-UP: What youth was appointed the judge of a divine beauty contest? The
    reward was a golden applce labeled "to the fairest."      PARIS
    BONUS: The beauty contest took place on what mountain where Paris was a
    shepherd?                            MT. IDA

14) TOSS-UP: What Roman hero single-handedly prevented the attacking Etruscans from crossing the Tiber until the Romans could destroy the bridge?
HORATIUS
BONUS: What brave and amazing feat did Horatius accomplish after the bridge was destroyed?
HE JUMPED INTO THE RIVER IN FULL ARMOR AND SWAM TO THE ROMAN SIDE

15) TOSS-UP: *Quinctilis* was the original name for what month?    JULY
BONUS: What was the original name for August?              SEXTILIS

16) TOSS-UP: What man was awakened by the honking of the sacred geese in time to save the citadel of Rome from an attack by the Gauls?
(MARCUS) MANLIUS CAPITOLINUS
BONUS: To which deity were these geese sacred?        JUNO

17) TOSS-UP: Who was the first woman, created by Zeus to be a pest to man?
PANDORA
BONUS: What does Pandora mean in Greek?     "ALL GIFTS"

18) TOSS-UP: How long was a Roman consul's term of office?
ONE YEAR
BONUS: How much did each consul get paid?
NOTHING

19) TOSS-UP: What is the Latin phrase to describe someone making a deal "in good faith"?                *BONA FIDE*
BONUS: What is the Latin phrase to describe a reply to something someone said that doesn't really follow?        *NON SEQUITUR*

20) TOSS-UP: Welcome to the Cinema Romana! What movie would the Romans have called *Domus Larvis Infesta*?        *THE HAUNTED MANSION*
BONUS: What about *Mons Gelidus*?    *COLD MOUNTAIN*

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1) WRITE-DOWN: What is the 3rd person plural, perfect passive indicative of the Latin verb from which we get the English word "position"?
                                        *POSITI (-AE/-A) SUNT*
   BONUS: Change *positi sunt* to the pluperfect active.      *POSUERANT*

2) WRITE-DOWN: Complete the following analogy: **Forum** is to **Rome** as _____ is to **Athens**.                               AGORA
   BONUS: Complete the following analogy: **Stoa** is to **Athens** as _____ is to **Rome**.
                                        BASILICA

3) WRITE-DOWN: What two brothers were killed within two years of each other because they attempted to redistribute public land to the poor?
                                        TIBERIUS and GAIUS GRACCHUS/
                                        GRACCHI
   BONUS: What did Cornelia, the mother of the Gracchi, call her sons?
                                        HER JEWELS

4) WRITE-DOWN: Who pined away for someone who would not return her love? She faded away until she was only able to repeat the last words she heard.
                                        ECHO
   BONUS: What self-centered jerk flatly rejected Echo?   NARCISSUS

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5) WRITE-DOWN: For this question, look at the picture and answer the following question. Identify this area of the city of Rome.  ROMAN FORUM
   BONUS: Which of the seven hills of Rome is visible in the background of this picture?                               PALATINE

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6) WRITE-DOWN: What was the seaport located closest to Rome?
                                        OSTIA
   BONUS: What commodity obtained in and around Ostia did the Romans exploit and trade?                               SALT

7) TOSS-UP: What tense in the Latin language shows continuous or repeated action in the past?                                             IMPERFECT
BONUS: What tense in the Latin language shows action completed in the past BEFORE some other past action?          PLUPERFECT

8) TOSS-UP: Name the Titan who defied Zeus by giving fire to mankind.
                                             PROMETHEUS
BONUS:  How did Zeus punish Prometheus?
                                             BOUND HIM TO A WINTRY CLIFF
                                             WHERE A VULTURE ATE OUT HIS
                                             LIVER

9) TOSS-UP: The story of Pyramus and Thisbe takes place in Babylon. In what modern country was Babylon located?          IRAQ
BONUS: Iraq is also the site for ancient Mesopotamia. Between what two rivers was Mesopotamia located?          TIGRIS AND EUPHRATES

10) TOSS-UP: During the rule of which emperor was Christ born?
                                             AUGUSTUS
BONUS: During the rule of which emperor was Christ crucified?
                                             TIBERIUS

11) TOSS-UP: What work of the poet Ovid is one of our main sources of the stories from mythology?                    *METAMORPHOSES*
BONUS: What recurrent theme is obivous in Ovid's *Metamorphoses*?
                                             TRANSFORMATIONS

12) TOSS-UP: Cicero was a *novus homo*. Marius was also a *novus homo*. What is the Latin plural for the phrase *novus homo*?          *NOVI HOMINES*
BONUS: Cicero and Marius were both from Arpinum. How would you say in Latin, "from Arpinum"?                    *ARPINO*

13) TOSS-UP: In the Underworld, who was forced forever to push a boulder uphill, only to have it roll back down the hill?          SISYPHUS
BONUS: What was Sisyphus' crime?          AVOIDING/ESCAPING DEATH

14) TOSS-UP: What animals are associated with both Pyrrhus and Hannibal?
                                             ELEPHANTS
BONUS: What animals are associated with Manlius and the Temple of Juno Moneta?
                                             GEESE

15) TOSS-UP: What was the *Regina Viarum*?          THE APPIAN WAY
BONUS: The Appian Way began at Rome. At what seaport did it end?
                                             BRUNDISIUM

16) TOSS-UP: Helen of Troy was originally from what Greek city?

SPARTA
BONUS: Cleopatra was not Egyptian but rather descended from what Greek family?
PTOLEMY

17) TOSS-UP: Greek mythology gives us what term for an extremely handsome young man? He was a lover of Aphrodite.     ADONIS
BONUS: According to most myths, how did Adonis tragically die?
GORED BY A BOAR WHILE HUNTING

18) TOSS-UP: At what battle did the forces of Octavian defeat those of Anthony and Cleopatra?                    ACTIUM
BONUS: In what year was the battle of Actium fought?      31 BC

19) TOSS-UP: When you received information but are doubtful because the source, you may use this Latin phrase to describe how you should take it.
*CUM GRANO SALIS*
BONUS: When you believe information without evidence because you trust the source, you may use the Latin phrase *ipse dixit*. Translate this phrase.
"HE HIMSELF SAID (IT)"

20) TOSS-UP: Welcome back ot the Cinema Romana! What current movie would the Romans call *Dominus et Imperator*?     *MASTER AND COMMANDER*
BONUS: What movie would be called *Iudices Aufugientes*?
*RUNAWAY JURY*

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1) WRITE-DOWN: On the back of the dollar bill, there is the Latin phrase *novus ordo seclorum*. What does it mean?          "A NEW ORDER OF THE AGES"
BONUS: Also on the back of the dollar is *annuit coeptis*. Translate this Latin phrase.
"HE HAS AGREED TO/SMILED
UPON/NODDED TO OUR BEGINNINGS"

2) WRITE-DOWN: On what day of the month did the Ides typically fall?
                                            13th
   BONUS: With what celestial event did the Ides of the month originally
   coincide?                                FULL MOON

3) WRITE-DOWN: Julius Caesar was said to have had a close relationship with
   Servilia, the mother of what prominent Roman whom Shakespeare calls "the noblest
   Roman of them all"?                      BRUTUS
   BONUS: Who was Brutus' wife, the daughter of Cato the Younger, a political enemy
   of Caesar?                               PORCIA

4) WRITE-DOWN: In the Zodiac, what sign represents the ram, the source of Jason's
   golden fleece?                           ARIES
   BONUS: In the Zodiac, what sign represents Ganymede, the water-bearer of the
   gods?                                    AQUARIUS

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accompanying question. All teams should write their answers as in questions 1-4.

5) WRITE-DOWN: For this question, look at the picture and answer the following
   question. What type or technique of artwork can be seen in this picture?
                                            MOSAIC
   BONUS: What is the name of the individual pieces of stone which make up a
   mosaic?                                  TESSERA

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6) TOSS-UP: Would one typically wear a *petasus -- in pede* or *in capite* or *in
   digito*?                                 *IN CAPITE*
   BONUS: Would one typically wear *calcei -- in pedibus* or *in capite* or *in digitis*?
                                            *IN PEDIBUS*

7) TOSS-UP: Students often confuse the meaning of similar looking words. Distinguish
   the meaning between *dico*, *duco*, and *doceo*.     *DICO* = "SAY/TELL", *DUCO* =
                                            "LEAD/TAKE", and *DOCEO* =
                                            "TEACH"
   BONUS: Distinguish the meanings between *traho* and *trado*.
                                            *TRAHO* = "DRAG" and *TRADO* =
                                            "HAND OVER"

8) WRITE-DOWN: Mythological terms sometimes find their way into science. What
   light element, a mjor component of stars, is named after the Greek word for the sun?

HELIUM
BONUS: What radioactive element is named after a god of the Underworld?
PLUTONIUM

9) TOSS-UP: What body of water did the Romans call the Pontus Euxinus?
BLACK SEA
BONUS: Along what modern body of water was the Roman province of Illyricum located?                    ADRIATIC SEA

10) TOSS-UP: What Roman hero proved his bravery by unflinchingly placing his hand in a fire?                    (MUCIUS) SCAEVOLA
BONUS: What Etruscan leader was Scaevola seeking to impress?
LARS PORSEN(N)A

11) TOSS-UP: Does Homer's *Iliad* open with the Trojan horse, the death of Hector, or the wrath of Achilles?                    THE WRATH OF ACHILLES
BONUS: Why was Achilles angry at Agamemnon and refusing to fight?
AG. TOOK AWAY HIS SLAVE-GIRL

12) TOSS-UP: What Latin phrase describes a duty or position one takes on by virtue of being elected to a particular office?     *EX OFFICIO*
BONUS: What is the latin phrase for "sincerely" or "from the heart"?
*EX ANIMO*

13) TOSS-UP: Who was torn apart by his mother because he had rejected the god Dionysus?                    PENTHEUS
BONUS: Pentheus' mother, Semele, was a follower of the god Dionysus. What was the term for this female worshipper?     A BACCHANT

14) TOSS-UP: Who was the first of the Flavian emperors?
VESPASIAN
BONUS: Who was the last of the Flavian emperors?
DOMITIAN

15) TOSS-UP: In ancient Rome, what was the profession of a woman who wore a toga?
PROSTITUTE
BONUS: On the back of her shoes she had written *sequere me*. What does this mean?
"FOLLOW ME"

16) TOSS-UP: Identify the common bond: Teutoberg Forest, Lake Regillus, Cannae.
ROMAN MILITARY DISASTERS
BONUS: Identify the victorious enemy for each of the previous disasters (repeat the battles).                    TEUT - GERMANS; LAKE REG - LATINS; CAN - CARTHAGINIANS

17) TOSS-UP: If you are successful at everything you attempt, it can be said that you have this Phrygian king's touch, which turned everything into gold.

MIDAS

BONUS: Who gave Midas "the golden touch"?

DIONYSUS/BACCHUS

18) TOSS-UP: What would you be seeing if you were in an amphitheater and watching a *venatio*? AN ANIMAL HUNT

BONUS: What was the Latin term for the criminals who fought at noon?

*MERIDIANI*

19) TOSS-UP: How would you translate the following English preposition into Latin: "I saw many other people while traveling to Rome." *ROMAM*

BONUS: What about the prepositional phrase in this sentence: "I left my ship at Ostia." *OSTIAE* or *OSTIIS*

20) TOSS-UP: Here we are back at the Cinema Romana! What movie would the Romans have called *Dominus Anulorum: Reditus Regis*?

*LORD OF THE RINGS: THE RETURN OF THE KING*

BONUS: What about *Crudelitas Intolerabilis*? *INTOLERABLE CRUELTY*

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1) WRITE-DOWN: What is the meaning of the Latin phrase *quid pro quo*?

"SOMETHING FOR SOMETHING"/ "I DO SOMETHING FOR YOU, YOU DO SOMETHING FOR ME"

BONUS: What is the Latin phrase which describes an absolute necessity?

*SINE QUA NON*

2) WRITE-DOWN: What was the very popular festival held in Rome to celebrate the harvest? It came at the end of December and involved merriment, banqueting, and gift-giving.                    SATURNALIA
   BONUS: Why did slaves particularly enjoy Saturnalia?
   THE WERE TEMPORARILY RELEASED FROM THEIR DUTIES AND SERVED BY THEIR MASTERS

3) WRITE-DOWN: The combat between the three Horatii brothers and the three Curiatii brothers represented the conflict between Rome and what other neighboring city?                    ALBA LONGA
   BONUS: What refugee from Troy had founded Alba Longa a couple of centuries earlier?                    ASCANIUS/IULUS

4) WRITE-DOWN: What arrogant Greek woman boasted that she was a greater mother than Latona, the mother of Apollo and Artemis, because she had fourteen children and Latona only two?                    NIOBE
   BONUS: To avenge her slighted honor, Apollo and Artemis killed all fourteen of Niobe's children. Into what was the grieving Niobe changed?
   A WEEPING ROCK/SPRING

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5) WRITE-DOWN: For this question, look at the picture and answer the following question. What is the name of this building?      PARTHENON
   BONUS: The Parthenon is located in Athens, Greece. On what hill is it located?
   ACROPOLIS

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6) TOSS-UP: Name the three orders of classical architecture.
   DORIC, IONIC, CORINTHIAN
   BONUS: The Romans usually built their temples up on platforms. What was this platform called?                    PODIUM

7) TOSS-UP: Using a partitive genitive, translate the phrase "no fear" in the sentence, "Marcus displayed no fear."      *NIHIL TIMORIS* or *NIHIL METUS*
   BONUS: How would you write "in the middle of the road" in the sentence, "Marcus was standing in the middle of the road." *IN MEDIA VIA*

8) TOSS-UP: Jason led the Argonauts in search of the Golden Fleece. Not only did he bring back the Golden Fleece but he also brought back this witchy woman as his wife. Who was she?                    MEDEA
   BONUS: Jason later dumped Medea in favor of the princess Glauce. How did Medea seek revenge against Jason?          SHE KILLED THEIR CHILDREN and/or GLAUCE

9) TOSS-UP: Are the Atlas Mountains in Europe, Asia, or Africa?
                             AFRICA
   BONUS: Was the province of Helvetia located in Europe, Asia, or Africa?
                             EUROPE

10) TOSS-UP: When Julius Caesar was returning to Rome from his campaigns in Gaul, he crossed into Italy with the words "*Alea iacta est*." Translate this into English.                    "THE DIE HAS BEEN CAST"
    BONUS: What river did Caesar cross at the head of his army, setting in motion a civil war?                    RUBICON

11) TOSS-UP: Is Marcus Tullius Cicero most famous for his oratory, history, or poetry?
                             ORATORY
    BONUS: From what structure in the Roman Forum did orators usually address the crowd?                    ROSTRA

12) TOSS-UP: What is the perfect passive participle of *duco, ducere*?
                             *DUCTUS (-A/-UM)*
    BONUS: What is the perfect active infinitive of the verb *duco, ducere*?
                             *DUXISSE*

13) TOSS-UP: In mythology, what woman, who was fated to to have a child greater than his father, was given in marriage by Zeus to Peleus?
                             THETIS
    BONUS: In order to prevent his having a child wiser or more clever than he, Zeus swallowed which of his consorts?          METIS

14) TOSS-UP: Who wrote a letter to the Emperor Trajan detailing the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius?                    PLINY THE YOUNGER
    BONUS: Pliny's letter also detailed the death of Pliny the Elder in the eruption. Of what relation was Pliny the Elder to Pliny the Younger?          UNCLE

15) TOSS-UP: What was the Latin term for someone who one the right to determine the ratio of wine to water and entertainment after a Roman banquet?
                             *REX/ARBITER/MAGISTER BIBENDI*
    BONUS: Over what event would the *rex bibendi* rule?
                             *COMISSATIO*

16) TOSS-UP: Julius Caesar was given by the Roman Senate the office of *Dictator Perpetuus*. What does this mean?      DICTATOR FOR LIFE
    BONUS: How long did one usually keep the office of dictator?
                                        SIX MONTHS

17) TOSS-UP: The labyrinth on Crete was designed to imprison what monster?
                                        MINOTAUR
    BONUS: Who was the designer of the labyrith?
                                        DAEDALUS

18) TOSS-UP: Where did well-to-do Romans typically build elaborate tombs for their family members?                ALONG THE ROADS LEADING INTO
                                        THE CITY
    BONUS: The tombs or tombstones were often inscribed with the Latin abbreviation D.M. What does D.M. mean in English?      "TO THE GODS OF THE
                                        UNDERWORLD"

19) TOSS-UP: We are all awaiting the return of the Olympic Games to Greece in the summer of 2004. What is the Latin motto of the International Olympic Committee?
                                        CITIUS, ALTIUS, FORTIUS
    BONUS: Translate the motto into English.      "FASTER, HIGHER, STRONGER"

20) TOSS-UP: Our last trip to the Cinema Romana! What movie would the Romans have called *Feles in Petaso*?            *THE CAT IN THE HAT*
    BONUS: What about *Imbecilli Animati: Rursus Actiones*?
                                        *LOONEY TUNES: BACK IN ACTION*:

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