

Latin Literature Test Area F Convention 1999

1. The Romans claimed this genre as *tota nostra* – "completely our own":
a) epic b) comedy c) history d) satire
2. What poet claims to have thrown down his shield and run during the Battle of Philippi?
a). Caesar b) Vergil c) Propertius d) Horace
3. Which two authors wrote accounts of the Catilinarian conspiracy?
a) Nepos and Cicero b) Caesar and Sallust c) Cicero and Sallust
d) Caesar and Tacitus
4. What sort of works did Cornelius Nepos write?
a) biography b) tragedy c) epic d) fables
5. Who refuses to speak to Aeneas when the hero goes down to the Underworld?
a) Dido b) Ajax c) Hector d) Juno
6. In what meter were epics composed?
a) dactylic hexameter b) elegiac couplets c) trochaic tetrameters
d) hendecasyllabics
7. Which author did NOT compose a work about agriculture?
a) Vergil b) Columella c) Lucretius d) Cato
8. In what work did Cicero defend the art of poetry?
a) *pro Caelio* b) *pro Archia* c) *de Amicitia* d) *de Senectute*
9. What Greek playwright most influenced Terence?
a) Aristophanes b) Menander c) Menippeus d) Aeschylus
10. Who wrote love poetry to a woman named Cynthia?
a) Tibullus b) Catullus c) Propertius d) Vergil
11. Identify the rhetorical device: "*proxima Circaeae raduntur litora terrae.*"
a) alliteration b) synchysis c) chiasmus d) anaphora
12. Which poet wrote about coming home to his villa in Sirmio?
a) Vergil b) Horace c) Catullus d) Phaedrus
13. Who wrote a work beginning with the words "*Gallia est omnis divisa in partes tres*"?
a) Julius Caesar b) Cicero c) Tacitus d) Livy

14. About what subject did Apicius write a treatise?
 a) bee-keeping b) hunting c) cooking d) sailing
15. Statius composed all of the following poems, EXCEPT:
 a) *Silvae* b) *Thebaid* c) *Achilleid* d) *Punica*
16. Only two of over 600 works by this author survive, including his *de Lingua Latina*. Who was he?
 a) Atticus b) Varro c) Nepos d) Seneca
17. Which of Ovid's poems was a collection of fictitious love letters?
 a) *Epistulae ex Ponto* b) *Heroides* c) *Ars Amatoria* d) *Metamorphoses*
18. Under which emperor did Lucan, Seneca, and Petronius commit suicide?
 a) Augustus b) Nero c) Domitian d) Hadrian
19. In which book of the *Aeneid* does Turnus kill Pallas?
 a) II b) VI c) X d) XII
20. From whom did Atticus receive numerous letters?
 a) Caesar b) Cicero c) Nepos d) Pliny
21. Whose philosophical beliefs did Lucretius follow in his poem *de Rerum Natura*?
 a) Plato b) Epicurus c) Zeno d) Pythagoras
22. What poet did Augustus send into exile on the Black Sea coast?
 a) Horace b) Vergil c) Ovid d) Statius
23. From what province did Seneca, Lucan, and Martial come?
 a) Britannia b) Hispania c) Gallia d) Judaea
24. The patron of Vergil and Horace was:
 a) Octavian b) Catullus c) Maecenas d) Atticus
25. Who wrote a biography of his father-in-law, Agricola, the governor of Britain?
 a) Livy b) Pliny the Younger c) Tacitus d) Sallust
26. Which of the following did NOT write love elegy?
 a) Tibullus b) Propertius c) Ovid d) Strabo
27. What Greek poet most influenced Vergil's pastoral poem, the *Eclogues*?
 a) Menander b) Theocritus c) Apollonius d) Homer
28. Who of the following does NOT play a role in the *Aeneid*?
 a) Iarbas b) Ascanias c) Juventius d) Camilla

29. On what subject did Vitruvius write a work?
 a) architecture b) warfare c) geography d) education
30. What Greek work did Livius Andronicus translate into Latin?
 a) *Odyssey* b) *Theogony* c) *Oedipus Tyrannus* d) *The Poetics*
31. What historian wrote a 142 volume history of Rome beginning *ab urbe condita* and ending in 9 B.C.?
 a) Sallust b) Fabius Pictor c) Livy d) Tacitus
32. Who referred to his poetry as a "*monumentum aere perennius*"?
 a) Vergil b) Ovid c) Horace d) Catullus
33. What deity restores Lucius, the main character of Apuleius' *The Golden Ass*, to human form?
 a) Athene b) Jupiter c) Mithras d) Isis
34. To which genre did Cicero NOT make a major contribution:
 a) epic b) letters c) oratory d) philosophy
35. Which book of the *Commentarii de Bello Gallico* did Hirtius, not Caesar, write?
 a) the 1st b) the 4th c) the 6th d) the 8th
36. In the satire *Apocolocyntosis* what emperor turns into a pumpkin after his death?
 a) Caligula b) Claudius c) Nero d) Commodus
37. In one of his satires Horace describes a trip with the poet Vergil to
 a) Neapolis b) Brundisium c) Athens d) Crete
38. In what play by Terence do the brothers Micio and Demea argue about the proper way to rear and educate children?
 a) Phormio b) Adelphoi c) Hecyra d) Andria
39. What rhetorical device does the following illustrate: *veni, vidi, vici*.
 a) anastrophe b) polysyndeton c) chiasmus d) asyndeton
40. What emperor did Pliny the Younger ask for advice about the Christians?
 a) Tiberius b) Titus c) Trajan d) Constantine
41. What author composed 12 books of witty epigrams?
 a) Horace b) Ovid c) Martial d) Apuleius
42. Which of the following authors never wrote an epic?
 a) Ennius b) Plautus c) Vergil d) Statius

43. Which of the following would NOT be considered a Golden Age author?
 a) Cicero b) Livy c) Lucan d) Vergil
44. What did Asinius Pollio establish for the first time in Rome in 39 B.C.?
 a) book stores b) public library c) recitations d) patronage
45. Vergil, defending himself against the charge of plagiarism, said that it was easier to steal the club from Hercules than to steal a line from
 a) Homer b) Plato c) Hesiod d) Sappho
46. What Latin author imitated the work of the Greek fable-writer Aesop?
 a) Phaedrus b) Ennius c) Naevius d) Martial
47. In a satire by _____ Umbricius explains to the author why he is giving up the dangers and unpleasantness of Rome and moving to Cumae.
 a) Horace b) Juvenal c) Persius d) Lucilius
48. The author of the *Meditations* was
 a) Tertullian b) Ausonius c) Marcus Aurelius d) Hadrian
49. Lucan's epic describes the bitter struggle between
 a) Marius and Sulla b) the Gracchi and the Senate c) Caesar and Pompey
 d) Nero and Tiberius
50. The real identity of Catullus' Lesbia was probably
 a) Clodia b) Julia c) Tullia d) Cornelia

TIE BREAKERS

The following items will only be used to break ties.

51. What offering must Aeneas bring with him to the Underworld?
 a) golden bough b) two doves c) Sibylline books d) black lamb
52. Whom does Seneca the Younger not feature in a tragedy?
 a) Thyestes b) Medea c) Antaeus d) Oedipus
53. Which of the following never wrote a treatise about oratory?
 a) Tacitus b) Quintilian c) Cicero d) Frontinus
54. Who asked to have his unrevised work burned at his death?
 a) Cicero b) Vergil c) Horace d) Juvenal
55. Who wrote an account of his career called the *Res Gestae*?
 a) Agricola b) Augustus c) Claudius d) Seneca