

2010 TSJCL Latin Mottos, Abbreviations and Famous Quotations Test

I. Select the Latin word or phrase that the following abbreviations indicate:

1. viz.
a) vixit b) videlicet c) vis inertiae d) vivat
2. ibid.
a) id est b) idem c) ibidem d) in camera
3. id.
a) ibidem b) in dubio c) id est d) idem
4. e.g.
a) ergo b) et hoc genus omne c) et alia d) exempli gratia
5. seqq.
a) sequitur b) non sequitur c) sequens d) sequentes
6. S.P.Q.R.
a) Senatus Populusque Romanus b) Semper Paratus c) Seniores Priores d) satis
7. A.R.
a) ars artium b) ars moriendi c) ave Regina d) anno regni
8. Rx
a) rex b) recipe c) respice finem d) recto
9. cf.
a) confer b) confiteor c) certiorari d) consensus
10. ca.
a) caritas b) circum c) caudex d) circa

II. Choose the BEST translation for the following Latin mottoes and phrases as used commonly in English:

11. verbatim
a) verbally b) word for word c) a wise word d) wordiness
12. in medias res
a) into the midst of things b) straight down the middle c) meditation d) midpoint

13. modus operandi 2
a) an operating room b) public manners c) a way of living d) a method of working

14. via
a) house b) life c) by way of d) instant coffee from Starbucks

15. caveat emptor
a) an empty cave b) beware of the dog c) let the buyer beware d) empty pockets

16. errare humanum est
a) a missing person b) to err is human c) a nomadic tribe d) why pencils have erasers

17. viva voce
a) vivacious b) live for today c) the voice of experience d) orally

18. non sequitur
a) a necessity b) the following c) second to none d) it does not follow

19. stet
a) let it stand b) condition or state c) thus d) all rise

20. de iure
a) soup of the day b) in reality c) anew d) legally

III. Where can you find this Latin motto, phrase or quotation?

21. "Annuit Coeptis" and "Novus Ordo Seclorum" are found together on:
a) the obverse of a quarter b) the back of a dollar bill c) the back of a \$20 bill
d) the reverse of a penny

22. In ancient Pompeii, "cave canem" would have been found:
a) on a program for the theater b) as an inscription on the Temple of Apollo
c) at the entrance of a home d) on a menu at a local taberna (tavern)

23. In Rome, the inscription, "M. Agrippa. L. F. Cos. Tertium. Fecit" appears on the front of the Pantheon. This famous phrase means:
a) Light from the Cosmos enters through the oculus, thus honoring Marcus Agrippa.
b) Three consuls, Marius, Agrippa, and Lucius Fabricius designed this.
c) Manlius Agrippa and his third cousin, Licinius Flavius, made this.
d) Marcus Agrippa, son of Lucius, three times a Consul, built this.

24. The abbreviation R.I.P. meaning "requiescat in pace" is commonly found:
a) on advertisements for mattress stores b) inscribed on tombstones
c) in the preface of a book d) printed on bottles of NyQuil

25. “Citius, Altius, Fortius” can be found:
- inscribed on the Nike of Samothrace at the Louvre Museum
 - painted on Boeing 747 Jumbo Jets
 - inscribed on Olympic Medals
 - on the label of Monster energy drinks
26. “Ars Gratia Artis” is found:
- as a registered trademark on boxes of Crayola Crayons
 - engraved on the base of the Academy Award Oscar Statuette
 - as a subliminal message in Jackson Pollock paintings
 - as the trademark around the roaring lion in MGM movies
27. When you visit Rome, be sure to look up to see all the beautifully painted ceilings as well as some interesting Latin inscriptions and quotations. Where is this famous Latin quotation found? “Tu Es Petrus et Super Hanc Petram Aedificabo Ecclesiam Meam. Tibi Dabo Claves Regni Caelorum”
- on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel
 - around the inside of the dome of St. Peter’s Basilica
 - around the inside of the dome of the Pantheon
 - on the ceiling of the Mausoleum of Hadrian
28. The quote “arma virumque cano” is found as the opening words of :
- The Aeneid
 - The Iliad
 - The Metamorphoses
 - The Eclogues
29. “Gallia est omnes divisa in partes tres” is a famous quotation of:
- Seneca
 - Terence
 - Plautus
 - Caesar
30. “In Memoriam” is commonly used as :
- a prescription for memory enhancing drugs
 - the title of a memo or a “to do list”
 - the title of a tribute for someone who has died
 - a phrase for a mnemonic device

IV. Select the Latin phrase, motto or abbreviation that does NOT belong according to meaning :

31. a) pallidus irae b) ira furor brevis est c) vino tortus et ira
 d) furor arma ministrat e) si fallor, sum

32. a) aut bibat aut abeat b) rex bibendi c) homo ebriosus d) ad nauseam
e) nunc est bibendum
33. a) mundus vult decipi b) solis defectio c) orbis lacteus d) stella crinita
e) mundi universitas
34. a) amor nummi b) pecuniae obediunt omnia c) amor omnia vincit
d) lucri bonus est odor e) certamina divitiarum
35. a) latet anguis in herba b) auribus teneo lupum c) periculum in mora
d) aura popularis e) perfidia Punica
36. a) gtt. b) t.i.d c) q.v. d) p.r.n. e) p.o.
37. a) in generalibus latet error b) lapsus memoriae c) erratum
d) memoriter e) mea culpa
38. a) sal Atticum b) caput cenae c) sal culinaris
d) ab ovo usque ad mala e) secunda mensa
39. a) asinus asinum fricat b) ab asino lanam c) etiam periere ruinae
d) in aqua scribis e) ex nihilo nihil fit
40. a) dramatis personae b) exeunt omnes c) plaudete, cives
d) ars ludicra e) pictor ignotus

V. Choose the city, state, country, or institution associated with the following Latin mottoes :

41. Semper fidelis
a) U.S. Marines b) U.S. Air Force c) U.S. Coast Guard d) U.S. Army
42. Excelsior
a) New York b) New Jersey c) New Hampshire d) New England
43. Esse quam videri
a) North Carolina b) South Carolina c) North Dakota d) South Dakota
44. Disciplina praesidium civitatis
a) Texas A &M b) University of Texas c) Texas Tech University d) Rice University
45. Veritas vos liberabit
a) Yale Univ. b) Princeton Univ. c) Duke Univ. d) Johns Hopkins Univ.
46. Vita, Dulcedo, Spes
a) Trinity Univ. b) Notre Dame Univ. c) Brown Univ. d) Loyola Univ.

47. Labor omnia vincit
a) Utah b) Nevada c) Idaho d) Oklahoma
48. Alis volat propriis
a) Ohio b) North Carolina c) Colorado d) Oregon
49. Veritas, Unitas, Caritas
a) Boston College b) Georgetown Univ. c) Villanova Univ. d) DePaul Univ.
50. Sapientia et Doctrina
a) Columbia Univ. b) Fordham Univ. c) Stanford Univ. d) Duquesne Univ.
51. Per unitatem vis
a) Texas A&M Corps of Cadets b) United Nations c) Texas Rangers d) National Guard
52. Pax per conloquium
a) FBI b) CIA c) IRS d) NCIS
53. A mari usque ad mare
a) Australia b) Bermuda c) Canada d) Dominican Republic
54. Foedere et religione tenemur
a) Ireland b) Italy c) Portugal d) France
55. Montani semper liberi
a) Montana b) Virginia c) West Virginia d) Washington
56. Diat Deus
a) Arizona b) New Mexico c) California d) Louisiana
57. ex luna scientia
a) NASA – Apollo 13 b) International Space Agency c) RKA – Russian Space Agency
d) Association of Lunar Observers
58. fluctuat nec mergitur
a) Venice b) London c) Paris d) Madrid
59. Of the 50 United States, many have Latin mottos. One state, South Carolina, has two Latin mottos : “Dum spiro, spero” and _____.
a) Regnat populus b) Esto perpetua c) Crescit eundo d) Animis opibusque parati

VI. Choose the person to whom this Latin quote is attributed or associated :

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60. "In hoc signo vinces."

- a) Vespasian
- b) Constantine
- c) Titus
- d) Commodus

61. "Vae victis"

- a) Vercingetorix
- b) Caesar
- c) Brennus
- d) Marius

62. "Aut viam inveniam aut faciam."

- a) Hannibal
- b) Jugurtha
- c) Mithradates
- d) Romulus

63. "Timeo Danaos et dona ferentes."

- a) Homer
- b) Vergil
- c) Livy
- d) Sallust

64. "Timeo homo unius libri."

- a) St. Ambrose
- b) St. Augustine
- c) St. Thomas Aquinas
- d) St. Jerome

65. "Rara avis in terris nigroque simillima cygno."

- a) Lucan
- b) Horace
- c) Catullus
- d) Juvenal

66. tabula rasa

- a) Rene Descartes
- b) Jean Jacques Rousseau
- c) David Hume
- d) John Locke

67. "Me doctarum hederæ præmia frontium dis miscent superis."

- a) Catullus
- b) Horace
- c) Vergil
- d) Ovid

68. "Qui legitis flores et humi nascentia fraga, frigidus, o pueri,
Fugite hinc, latet anguis in herba."

- a) Martial
- b) Petronius
- c) Catullus
- d) Vergil

69. "In nova fert animus mutatas dicere formas corpora."

- a) Pliny the Elder
- b) Ovid
- c) Horace
- d) Cicero

70. "Qui fingit sacros auro vel marmore vultus,
non facit ille deos : qui rogat ille facit."

- a) Aulus Gellius
- b) St. Augustine
- c) Cicero
- d) Martial

Tie Breakers : These questions will only count in case of a tie. Bubble answers on numbers 96-100 of your scantron.

96. The Latin abbreviation "o.s." would most commonly be used by :

- a) an orthodontist
- b) an ophthalmologist
- c) a podiatrist
- d) a pediatrician

97. "Semper eadem" appeared on her coat of arms and was used as the motto of :

- a) Joan of Arc
- b) Queen Elizabeth I
- c) Empress Catherine the Great
- d) Queen Victoria

98. “Expecto patronum”, “Oppugno”, and “Oculus reparo”, are Latin phrases made famous by :

- a) Stephanie Meyer
- b) Melissa De La Cruz
- c) T.H. White
- d) J.K. Rawlings

99. When Juvenal wrote, “orbis non sufficit”. he was referring to an ancient military leader. Later, the quote was used in both Latin and English as the motto of a modern fictional character. Choose the correct combination from below of the leader/character to whom the quote refers :

- a) Julius Caesar/Jason Bourne
- b) Hannibal/Robert Langdon
- c) Alexander the Great/James Bond
- d) Marc Anthony/Indiana Jones
- e) Attila the Hun/ Voldemort

100. “Non est ad astra mollis e terris via” is the motto for the 2010 National Jr. Classical League Convention to be held in late July. (You should consider going; it’s really fun! Now, back to the test . . .) Choose a motto from below which bears a similar meaning to “Not est ad astra mollis e terris via”:

- a) ad astra per aspera
- b) vox stellarum
- c) nox erat et caelo, fulgebat luna sereno inter minora sidera
- d) flammeus aeratis lunae tremor errat in armis

Now relax, get something to eat for lunch, and enjoy the rest of the Convention!
Bene factum! ☺