

2010 Classical Literacy Introductory Exam List

A.D./anno Domini	Elysian Fields/Elysium	P.M./post meridiem
A.M./ante meridiem	epic	P.S./Post Scriptum
Achilles' heel	Eros/Cupid	Pandora/Pandora's box
ad infinitum	Et tu, Brute?	Pantheon
ad nauseam	etc./et cetera	papyrus
Aegean Sea	ex libris	Paris
agenda	fates	Parthenon
agora/forum	finis	paterfamilias
ambrosia & nectar	fresco/mosaic	Pax Romana
Aphrodite/Venus	furies	Pegasus
Apollo/Apollo	Golden fleece	Penelope
apple of discord	Gorgons	Persephone
aqueduct	Hades/Pluto	Perseus & Medusa
Arachne	Hannibal	Pompeii
Ares/Mars	Hector	Poseidon/Neptune
Ariadne	Helen	post mortem
Artemis/Diana	Hephaestus/Vulcan	Prometheus
Athena/Minerva	Hera/Juno	quid pro quo
Athens/Acropolis	Heracles/Hercules	Romulus and Remus
Atlas	Hermes/Mercury	semper fidelis
atrium	Hestia/Vesta	semper paratus
Augustus	Homer	Spartacus
Caesar	I, V, X, L, C, D, M	Styx
carpe diem	i.e./id est	sub poena
Carthage	Icarus & Daedalus	summa cum laude
cave canem	Ides of March	Tantalus
Cerberus	<i>Iliad</i>	Tartarus
Chaos	Jason	tempus fugit
Charon	Jove, jovial	terra firma
Circus Maximus	labyrinth	terra incognita
Colosseum	M.D./Medicinae Doctor	Theseus
consul	marathon	Tiber
cornucopia	mea culpa	toga
Cronus/Saturn	Minotaur	Trojan Horse
Cyclops	Mt. Olympus	Troy
Delphic Oracle	Mt. Vesuvius	Uranus
Demeter/Ceres	muses	valedictorian
Dionysus/Bacchus	Nike	veni, vidi, vici
e pluribus unum	Odysseus/Ulysses	veto
e.g./exempli gratia	<i>Odyssey</i>	vs./versus
ego	Orpheus & Eurydice	Zeus/Jupiter

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A.D./anno Domini	Delphic Oracle	labor omnia vincit	Poseidon/Neptuno
A.M./ante meridiem	Demeter/Ceres	labyrinth	P.M./post meridiem
Achilles' heel	Dionysus/Bacchus	lapsus linguae	post mortem
ad infinitum	e pluribus unum	laurels	Priam
ad nauseam	e.g./exempli gratia	M.D./Medicinae Doctor	pro tempore
Adriatic Sea	ego	magnanimous	Prometheus
Aegean Sea	Elysian Fields/Elysium	magnum opus	puerile
aegis	epic	marathon	Punic Wars
Aeneas/ <i>Aeneid</i>	Eros/Cupid	mea culpa (tua culpa)	quid pro quo
agenda	errare humanum est	Medea	rara avis
agora/forum	et al./et alii	mentor	Romulus and Remus
alma mater	etc./et cetera	Minotaur	rostra
alpha and omega	Et tu, Brute?	mores	Saturnalia
Alps	Etruscans	Mt. Olympus	satyr
alter ego	ex libris	Mt. Parnassus	sedentary
alumna/ alumnae	ex officio	Mt. Vesuvius	semper fidelis
alumnus/alumni	Excelsior!	muses	semper paratus
ambrosia & nectar	fasces	N.B./nota bene	sic semper tyrannis
amor omnia vincit	fates	Nike	sic transit gloria mundi
antebellum	finis	Odysseus/Ulysses	Sicily
Apennines	fortuitous	<i>Odyssey</i>	sine qua non
Aphrodite/Venus	fresco/mosaic	omniscient	Sisyphus
Apollo/Apollo	furies	Orpheus & Eurydice	Sparta
apple of discord	Ge/Gaea	P.S./post scriptum	Spartacus
aqueduct	Golden fleece	Palatine Hill	SPQR
Arachne	Gorgons	Pan	status quo
Ares/Mars	Hades/Pluto	Pandora	Styx
Artemis/Diana	Hannibal	Pantheon	sub poena
Athena/Minerva	Hector	papyrus	sub rosa
Athens/Acropolis	Helen	Paris	summa cum laude
Atlas	Hephaestus/Vulcan	Parthenon	Tantalus
atrium	Hera/Juno	paterfamilias	Tartarus
Augustus	Heracles/Hercules	patrician	tempus fugit
bona fide	Hermes/Mercury	Pax Romana	terra firma
Caesar	Hestia/Vesta	pax vobiscum	terra incognita
Capitoline Hill	Homer	Pegasus	Theseus
carpe diem	homo sapiens	Penelope	Tiber
Carthage	Hydra	per annum	toga
cave canem	I, V, X, L, C, D, M	per capita	tribune
Cerberus	i.e./id est	per diem	Trojan Horse
Ceres/Demeter	Icarus & Daedalus	p.o./per os	Troy
Chaos	Ides of March	Persephone/Proserpina	Uranus
Charon	<i>Iliad</i>	Perseus & Medusa	valedictorian
Chimera	In loco parentis	persona non grata	veni, vidi, vici
Circus Maximus	in memoriam	Ph.D./Philosophiae Doctor	verbatim
Colosseum	in toto	Plebeian	veto
consul	iota	P.M./post meridiem	via
cornucopia	Ithaca	polytheism	vice versa
Cronus/Saturn	Jason	Pompeii	vs./versus
Cyclops	Jove, jovial	pontifex maximus	Zeus/Jupiter

2010 Classical Literacy Test: Level II

Actaeon	Demosthenes	Nemesis
ad astra per aspera	Deucalion & Pyrrha	nepotism
ad lib./ad libitum	Dum spiro, spero	Nero
Adonis	Ecce homo	nolo contendere
Adromeda	Echo	non compos mentis
Aeolus	errata	non sequitur
affidavit	Europa	nos morituri te salutamus
Agamemnon	ex post facto	odium
Alba Longa	ex tempore	onus probandi
Amphitrite	exit/exeunt	otiose
Andromache	facta non verba	Pan and Syrinx
Andromeda	festina lente	Pater Noster
ars gratia artis	fiat	Patroclus
ars longa, vita brevis	first triumvirate	Peloponnesian War
Attica	Friends, Romans, Countrymen . . .	Penelope
Augean Stables	Gracchi brothers	per se
augury	habeas corpus	Phaethon
Ave, Maria	Hecuba	Phidippides
basilica	Herculaneum	Philemon & Baucis
Beware of Greeks bearing gifts	Herodotus	placebo
caduceus	Hippocratic Oath	polis
Calliope	Horatii	Polyphemus
Calypso	ibid.	post hoc ergo propter hoc
cardinal	in absentia	prima facie
Cassandra	in hoc signo vinces	pro bono publico
Castor and Pollux	in medias res	Pyramis & Thisbe
causa belli	in situ	Pyrrhic victory
caveat	in vitro	Pythia/Sybil
caveat emptor	interregnum	Q.E.D./quod erat demonstrandum
ensor	Io	quorum
cf./confer	Ipsa scientia potestas est	referendum
Chimera	ipso facto	Rhea Silvia
chimerical	iustitia omnibus	Riddle of the Sphinx
Cincinnatus	Janus	sarcophagus
ca./circa	Leda	saturnine
Circe	Lethe	Scipio Africanus
Cleopatra	Lotos-eaters	Scylla & Charybdis
cogito ergo sum	Macedonia	sine die
concatenation	maenad	sinecure
Constantine	Marius	stentorian
corpus delicti	Mark Antony	sui generis
corrigenda	Menelaus	Sulla
cosmos	mens sana in corpore sano	sum cuique
cum grano salis	mercurial	summum bonum
Cupid & Psyche	Mnemosyne	Telemachus
curriculum vitae	mores	Tiberius
de facto	Narcissus	triumph
de jure	ne plus ultra	vademecum
defenestration	necropolis	veritas

2010 Classical Literacy Exam: Level III

a priori/a posteriori	fl./floruit	Pericles
Achates	flagrante delicto	peroration
ad valorem	four causes (Aristotle)	philippic
Aeschylus	four elements	Philomela & Procne
Ajax	Gallia est omnis divisa in partes tres	Pindar
Alcibiades	gates of horn & ivory	Plato
Anchises	gnothi seauton	Platonic ideas
annuit coeptis	halcyon	Platonic love
Antigone	hapax legomenon	Plautus
arete	Heraclitus	Pliny the Younger
Aristophanes	Herodotus	polemic
Aristotle	Hesiod	preterition
arma togae cedant	Horace	primus inter pares
Arma virumque cano	infra dignitatem	Pythagoras
Atilia	Ionic	q.v./quod vide
B.A.	ipse dixit	Quis custodiet ipsos custodes?
b.i.d./t.i.d. (bis/ter in die)	Julian-Claudian Dynasty	Quintilian
Cadmus	lacuna	Quo vadis?
Carthago delenda est	Laocoon	reductio ad absurdum
Cato the Elder	Lesbia	res gestae
Catullus	libation	Sallust
ceteris paribus	liberal arts	Sappho
Cicero	litotes	sc./scilicet
citius, altius, fortius	Livia	Socratic wisdom
Claudius	Livy	Solon
Cleobis & Biton	logos	sophist/sophistry
Code of Justinian	Lucretia	Sophocles
codex	Lucretius	specious
Corinthian	Lyceum	stet
Croesus	Lycurgus	stoicism
de gustibus non disputandum est	M.A.	Suetonius
<i>De rerum natura</i>	M.O./modus operandi	Tacitus
Delian League	Maecenas	Terence
Democritus	Marcus Aurelius	Thales
Deo volente	Martial	the Academy
Dido	memento mori	the divided line
dies irae	messianic eclogue	the golden mean
Doric	mimesis	Thebes
dulce et decorum est pro patria mori	mirabile dictu	Themistocles
elegiac	modus vivendi	Thetis & Peleus
Eleusinian mysteries	multum in parvo	Tiresias
encomium	Nisus & Euryalus	Turnus
epicureanism	novus ordo seclorum	Ultima Thule
Eris	O tempora, O mores	Vae victis!
esse quam videri	obiter dictum	verbum sat./verbum sat sapienti
Euclid	ostracism	Vercingetorix
Euripides	Ovid	viz./videlicet
ex cathedra	palladium	Vulgate
exordium	Parmenides	Xerxes
felicity	Patroclus	Zeno's paradoxes