LATIN 2A COURSE SYLLABUS 2025

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Your Quia class page: https://www.quia.com/pages/sfisher370/latin2a2025 *Your Adobe connect page:* https://lukeionproject.adobeconnect.com/sflat2a/

Your session of Latin 2a meets at 4:45 pm ET Tuesdays



WELCOME TO YOUR 2ND YEAR OF LATIN



Your 1^{st} year was all about the basics. Your 2^{nd} year will teach you to translate nearly any Latin you wish as long as you put some time and effort into the project. Beware: now is not the time rest on your laurels. The hard work begins in 2^{nd} year.

Over the next 2 semesters, we will cover the advanced grammar that you need to read Cicero, Virgil, Catullus or Horace, and many other authors who have interesting things to say in Latin. You will continue to translate longer and longer passages of 'real' Latin plus *more of it*. This is a necessary step if you are to build the translation 'muscles' you will need to go on to your 3rd year of Latin (where the fun really begins).

Re-evaluate your study skills, organize your schedule, roll up your sleeves, and commit to 1 to 1½ hours each day for Latin. Latin 2 requires

more commitment and practice than Latin 1 because the grammatical concepts now become significantly more challenging and subtle. Resolve to work hard and be honest. Be serious about the amount of effort that you put into this language and you will be happy with the results.

Henceforth you are going to understand your own language, vocabulary, and literature far better than you ever could without Latin. You have my promise. The Romans thought deeply about the world and the human condition . . . they even had a great sense of humor. You will also be amazed at how many other things your Latin knowledge will unlock for you. Latin is one of the most important things you are going to learn this year.

This syllabus lets you know all the expectations and requirements of this course right up front. While it is perhaps not exciting reading, you are expected to understand and adhere to everything in the syllabus. Ignorance is not bliss.

Take time to read it carefully.

COURSE EXPECTATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Successful Latin students will Do the following this semester:

- 1. **Come to class** on time each week and participate
 - a. Part of your semester grade is based on attendance and participation. Participation includes answering questions asked in class and asking questions (both in class and via email) when you need clarification. Part of your semester grade is based on attendance and participation, including what you do in class and the time you log into review games on Quia. If you are constantly absent, late, silent, or inappropriate there will be a negative impact on your grade.

*Chat Box Etiquette: To keep the classroom a happy and productive place for all students, here are a few guidelines that must be followed:

- All messages must be polite and respectful; do not insult anyone or anything, even as a joke
- No profanity will be tolerated
- Avoid contentious topics like politics, religion, or sports smack-talk
- Do not post web links or advertisements for any web sites or products in the chat. If you have something
 you'd like to share with the class, send it to me first and if it's appropriate, I'll post it on the class page or
 send it out to everyone.
- 2. **Submit weekly homework** assignments online, on time, each time:
 - a. I do not accept late homework.
 - b. Weekly homework may be submitted ANYTIME between Tues. 8 am and Fri. 7 pm ET
 - c. Ensure that Quia has recorded your work (read 'The Care and Feeding of Quia' for help)
 - i. It is entirely up to you to confirm that your work has been submitted correctly.
 - ii. If you fail to do so and the work is improperly submitted, you will earn a zero unless you discover the error prior to the deadline. Returning to do so after the deadline has passed is not permissible.
- 3. **Compare homework sample answers** to your own translations each week. These are visible as soon as you submit your work each week. This is an essential step.
 - a. Do not hit the 'submit' button unless you actually intend to submit your work.
 - *b.* I will only ever grade your first submission since subsequent submissions have had access to the translation answers.
 - *c.* People who repeatedly submit homework multiple times will be warned since this teeters on the border of academic dishonesty. Repeated multiple submissions will result in zeroes.
 - d. You are given a grade based on homework completion, not on perfection (credit/no credit). Fail to submit the whole assignment or submit gibberish and risk earning a 'zero' in my grade book.
 - e. There will be additional grammar questions about the sentences you have translated each week. You will not be given credit for the homework if you fail to answer these grammar questions or skip translations (e.g. English to Latin). Please set aside at least an extra fifteen minutes when submitting your homework to do these additional grammar questions.
- 4. **Complete weekly guizzes** online, on time, each time
 - a. <u>Vocabulary quizzes</u> open Tues 8 am and close Thurs. 7 pm ET on weeks when we are starting a new chapter (see the syllabus schedule on the last page for exact dates).
 - b. Weekly chapter quizzes can be taken ANYTIME between Fri. 8 am and Mon. 7 pm ET

- *c.* You may not take the quizzes after the deadline Quia will tell you that the quiz is unavailable. If you think you have gotten this message erroneously, please be sure you are clicking on the right assignment and are within the time window before you contact me.
- d. Check to ensure that Quia has recorded your quiz after you submit it each time. You can compare your work to the computer-graded portion of each exam. Full credit will not be given until I have physically graded the exams.
 - i. If the work is improperly submitted, you will earn a zero for the quiz unless you catch the error prior to the deadline lapse and contact me via email for a reset.
 - ii. I will send an email to the class to let you know when the quiz has been graded. Please wait until you receive this email before asking about missed points. Quia cannot grade certain types of questions or award partial credit. I must do this manually. Things missed by Quia are almost always rectified when I go through the quizzes. So please be patient.
- 5. Go to the Quia student zone weekly to see your **graded work**. Click on the little clipboard icon next to the assignment. Spend time comparing your answers to the correct ones.
- 6. Complete midterm and final comprehensive exams within their given windows.
- 7. Weekly chapter quizzes are single attempt, unless stated in class by the instructor as otherwise. Vocabulary quizzes are two-attempts with Quia saving the best one.

Notate Bene: You can go in and out of homework assignments multiple times within the homework window but only submit once. Quizzes – both vocabulary and weekly chapter quizzes – must be submitted after they're opened. <u>So do not open those until you are ready to take and submit those quizzes.</u>

Deadlines Matter - Rules regarding Homework or Quiz Extensions

It is in the interest of fairness and helping students become organized and reliable that the following policy is in place regarding extensions on assignments – both homework and quizzes.

- 1. If you ask for an extension, I will not normally provide one unless one should be granted to the entire class. Please do not ask for an extension unless you are certain that your situation can be described as serious.
- 2. I make exceptions if you have experienced a serious health problem or major cataclysm such as tornado, housefire, flood, locusts, etc. (sniffles, hangnails, and busy schedules are not included).
- 3. Situations to which the entire class is subject (like national emergencies or pandemics) do not constitute grounds for an extension. *The instructor will announce if deadlines change for the entire class.*
- 4. Stress or being overwhelmed is an indicator that you need to rethink your schedule and priorities. In and of itself this is not a health emergency and is *not grounds for an extension*. If you find yourself in this situation, please email me for tips on how to work more efficiently.
- 5. On the rare occasions that an extension is granted, it will be brief and extremely limited in scope. An extension is never carte blanche for continued extensions. This applies equally to students who begin the course late or take a long trip mid-semester.
- 6. Never assume that an assignment has been canceled or does not exist because of a class break such as Thanksgiving or Spring Break. *I do not cancel assignments*. The last page of the syllabus provides a full semester schedule of deadlines. This is the ultimate guide to what and when things are due.
- 7. In the event of an extreme health emergency, you will still need to submit all of the course work by the end of the semester for credit that semester or else you may need to retake the course the next time it is offered.

- 8. If your schedule takes you away from home during the semester, you can submit work from any computer anywhere there is a dependable internet connection, both here and abroad. Late work is never accepted without advance arrangement or for well-documented, witnessed, horrendous disasters. Travel is no excuse for late work. If you have travel plans, competitions, family visits, etc. that will conflict with the dates for a certain assignment, please plan to work ahead and contact me with at least two days' notice to open assignments for you early.
 - Your request should be something like this: "I am Jane Doe from Latin 2 at 4:45 and I need to take the quiz and turn in work early, I can do that September 13 from 9 am till noon."

Notate Bene: Busy lives are no excuse for failure to submit work or ask for personal private due dates or grade adjustments. Most Lukeion students lead super-busy lives. The busiest students rarely ask for special concessions because time management is already a BIG part of their success story. If you are having trouble completing your work on time, this is a golden opportunity to work on time management and arranging priorities.

Dropping this Course/Removal from Course

- There is a 2-week cut-off date prior to the start of the semester. Before this date, a maximum 75% refund may be given. Why not a full refund? We do not charge a registration fee, rather we retain a portion of the tuition to cover work hours already committed to matriculation and other non-refundable fees we pay on behalf of each matriculated student.
- No refunds will be issued 14 days before the start of class and after. A student may be switched to another course/section or possibly be given a future course credit (with no cash value) if a drop is requested very early in the semester and at the instructor's

discretion. No credit should be expected after the second week of the course.

• If a student stops attending the class, stops doing the work, or is removed for dishonesty, the instructor's obligation to the student ends. No additional grading or evaluation will be done, and no grade transcript will be issued at the end of the semester.

Students who fail to submit 5 of their homework assignments or miss 5 quizzes are <u>unable to pass the class</u>. Either of these situations constitutes a withdrawal from taking the class for credit. The student may be permitted to continue attending class as an "auditor," but will not receive a course transcript.

FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE COURSE: In the event of an extreme health emergency, students are nevertheless expected to submit all course work by the end of the semester, at which time the instructor's obligation to the student ends. If this is not possible, the student may need to repeat the course the next time it is offered. If the student's health emergency takes place early in the semester, tuition credit (or partial credit – no cash value), may be given.

SKILLS FOR LATIN SUCCESS

Develop and maintain a regular Latin schedule.

- Decide when you will study, submit homework, and take quizzes, then stick to the schedule.
- Break your study sessions into 20-40 minute blocks of time.



Practice some Latin every day

- You are learning a new language. Even a brilliant genius will spend some time everyday learning Latin...in fact that is what made him or her into a brilliant genius.
- Always do a little Latin daily

Take personal responsibility for the quality and intensity of your study.

- Choose to do the self-tutorials at the back of the book to give yourself extra practice
- Find time to complete my online games every week
- Finish extra sight translations (available on the webpage or you can just ask me)
- Email me if you are having trouble I might have a mnemonic aid or a study strategy

Complete your assignments with honesty and integrity.

Enrollment in any Lukeion Project course assumes a commitment to 100% academic honesty and cheating or dishonesty in any form will result in serious consequences. Please familiarize yourself with what constitutes academic dishonesty and the corresponding penalty at the Lukeion Project with the information below and the Academic Honesty Policy found on your Quia class page.

Please be sure to download and read the Lukeion Project Honesty and AI Policy. Failure to read or understand this policy will not exempt you from any consequences of dishonesty.

"Cheating" or "Dishonesty" includes but is not limited to:

- 1. Looking at any type of notes or books (including but not limited to your textbook or a dictionary), or any online resources during any quiz or exam.
- 2. Submitting any translation that is not purely the product of your own intellectual effort. This includes but is not limited to:
 - Submitting answers copied from anywhere that is not your own personal work
 - Submitting answers that were told to you by a peer, a tutor, a website, a large hat, or a sibling.
 - Siblings or friends who work together must not submit identical or even near identical translations and guizzes or they will be called out for dishonesty. Siblings/friends can study together but they must not translate together at the same time and submit identical answers. Comparing translations AFTER they each have been individually submitted is a safer/better way to learn together.
 - Also unacceptable is adapting or paraphrasing internet or in-print translations.

Quia and I keep a record of all requests to reset quiz links, even for a millisecond. Do not open any quiz until you are ready to take it since resets, even for accidents, give you an unfair advantage over your peers and will ultimately be denied. If Quia consistently eats your work, try another browser.

Submitting homework only to check and improve your answers based on the samples and then resubmitting work that is not your own based on the samples is dishonesty. For this reason, credit is only given to your first homework submission. If you must close Quia before

- submitting translations for homework, just click the "x" in the upper right corner so that the sample answers do not appear before you have had a chance to submit your work.
- "Accidentally" entering quiz links in advance to get a look at questions early is dishonesty. Any
 patterns of entering quiz links "accidentally" will constitute grounds for removal from the
 course.
- Any and all use of AI

If I find evidence of cheating or dishonesty, I will assemble the evidence and contact the parent/guardian (not the student) to announce that the student has been removed from the course without further discussion. In most cases the student will be immediately removed from the course without a refund, grade, credit, nor rights of access to additional graded materials.

In some cases, where there is true remorse and a solid parent/student plan for success in Latin without dishonesty, a second chance will be awarded. This should be considered a courtesy and is completely at the discretion of the instructor.

Have a photographic memory? If you have the natural ability to memorize everything you read, verbatim, that's awesome! But it isn't translating Latin. **All translations must be your own. There are zero excuses for using another person's translation.** The same goes for psychics. Think about it – if you are remembering or channeling it, you're still not providing your own translations. (And yes, I have heard these defenses multiple times.)

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND IMPORTANT WEB RESOURCES:

- 1. Your textbook is: Wheelock's Latin 7th edition (ISBN-13: 978-0061997228).
 - Do not use a digital copy as your primary text because pagination is an issue.
 - You do not need the workbook.
- 2. Wheelock's Latin web page: download MP3s of ALL vocabulary, pronounced in Latin!

 http://wheelockslatin.com/chapters/introduction/introduction.html
- Your Adobe Connect link is good for each class: https://lukeionproject.adobeconnect.com/sflat2a/
- 4. Quia Clas Webpage:
 - https://www.quia.com/pages/sfisher370/latin2a2025
 - This is where you go to submit your homework and take your quizzes
- 5. Quia student zone to see your graded results: http://www.quia.com/web/studentZoneBegin.html

There are NO FEES associated with your use of the online tools. *All of these services cost The Lukeion Project and are therefore covered by your tuition.* All online tools require programming on my part and are therefore subject to human error. If you believe a resource or link should be on your class page or a recording should be available, but you do not see the link, please contact me for help. Quia and Adobe support cannot help you with files and course specifics which are exclusively the intellectual property of The Lukeion Project.

- **Flash Cards**: do not purchase pre-printed flash cards. Use card stock or 3x5 cards cut into pieces. For the best sized flash cards without all the chopping, go to the following link to order a box of blank, white cards. Writing out flash cards is part of the study process. Don't skip this. I KNOW there are sets of preprinted cards for sale. Make your own to ensure you think through each word.
- An online set of flash cards is available for supplemental practice and for a change of pace, only.

MANAGING YOUR ONLINE WORK

Quia maintains a record of your scores ~ view them any time. However, Quia does NOT distinguish between exam scores and homework. Quia will average everything. This is NOT how your grade is calculated. *Do not rely on Quia's average as an accurate reflection of your course grade.* IF you wish to estimate your course grade prior to the end of the course, average your quiz scores (this only works if you have completed all homework assignments).

Quia maintains a full record of your quiz scores and credited homework throughout the semester. They are visible until about one month after the class ends. I will tally your scores and send you a semester grade transcript by mid-December.

Course Grade Components
40% Quiz Average
20% Homework and Class
Participation
20% Midterm Exam
20% Final Exam
Averaged vocabulary quizzes
= 1 regular quiz score.

After you complete a quiz the computer will provide a raw score. **(For more information, download and read 'The Care and Feeding of Quia').** Your final score must wait until everyone has (a) submitted the quiz and (b) I personally grade the 'instructor graded' portion of the quiz. I will send an email to report *in general terms* how the whole class performed (i.e. 10 earned 90-100, 15 earned 80-90, etc.). **This is to help you gauge your performance and make necessary adjustments.** I will mention the 3 highest scorers by name—something to shoot for (a weekly gold, silver and bronze medal for those with an Olympic spirit).

NUMERIC SCORES MATTER BECAUSE THEY SHOW ME WHAT YOU KNOW:

| Letter grade | Numeric grade | What the grade means in this Latin class: |
|-----------------|------------------|---|
| A+ | 97-100 | WOW! Optimus!! Maximus!! |
| A | 94-96 | Hold your head high; get a second slice of pie! |
| A- | 90-93 | Bonus, Magnus! |
| B+ | 87-89 | Almost thereyou need a tad more study time to master details |
| В | 84-86 | You are NOT mastering details like the vocabulary and forms |
| B- | 80-83 | Just BARELY getting byreview to recover quickly |
| C+ | 77-79 | You are lost about how Latin works, contact me for advice right away |
| С | 74-76 | RED ALERT!!!!! ALARM!!!!! |
| Fail | 73 or below | You can't go on until you have re-learned what you missed |

A NOTE TO PARENTS, GUARDIANS & ADMINISTRATORS:



You are able to view your student's course contributions, progress, and grades at any moment, day or night, all semester by accessing the student's account in the Quia Student Zone. I do not have access to student usernames/passwords, so be sure to save a copy of this for your student when they sign-in.

Since you have 24-7 access to student progress, I do not send out midterm grades. If you belong to an institution that requires one, please request this <u>at least</u>

one week in advance of your deadline. Final course transcripts are sent out by no later than early January. If you need your transcript earlier than this, please request it at least one week prior to your deadline.

You can estimate your learner's midterm grade by averaging all quiz scores (do not factor in homework scores which will be credited by the end of the semester). Provided that your learner has completed all homework assignments, the quiz average will provide a ballpark grade.

If you are not receiving weekly notes about quiz grade results, please check to see that the notes have not ended up in your spam/junk filter by marking my email address sfisher@lukeion.org as a safe sender. If this is not the case, please send me an email so that I may be sure I have your correct email address.

If your student stops turning in work for this course at any time, the responsibility falls on you to sleuth out the matter and encourage the student to return to a productive course of study and to contact me, if warranted, about the situation. You will be more in-tune with the flagging spirit in your individual student than I can hope to be. I send out regular class emails to announce when quizzes and homework have been graded for the whole class. Reserve a minute or two each week when these come out to look at your student's progress in Quia to make sure they are staying on track.

How to Pace Yourself for Success in Latin

Don't Fool Yourself

A few months into your Latin study, you may find yourself attempting 3-4 hour marathon cram sessions once a week. You will be productive during the 1st hour. By the 2nd or 3rd hour, you will be sleeping on your Latin book. No doubt you will count all this time as good "study time" and then fool yourself into believing you are not 'good' at Latin. We both know you actually spent part of a single hour doing any real language study. Worse still, you may start whining to a parent, guardian, pal or Latin teacher that 'you are not good at Latin' until absolutely everyone is miserable. After two weeks like this, your grade will slip into the Red Alert Zone and you will despair.

Reduce Stress and Avert Disaster! Follow these helpful tips!

Rewire Your Brain Every Day

Latin is a *language*. You are rewiring your brain to learn it. Daily study alternating with other activities and a full night's sleep is the stress-free way to soak up Latin. Sleep is a fabulous study aid--as long as you are not sleeping through the block of time you scheduled for Latin.

Tips:

- Spend 12 minutes on vocabulary or endings right before you go to sleep.
 Your brain will work on this data all night for you while you get some quality snoozing done.
- First thing in the morning, take a look at a chart of endings or forms that you taped to your bathroom mirror, just think them through while you are brushing your teeth.
- When you are riding in a car, spend 10 minutes flipping through flash cards or getting to know some noun or verb endings.
- Spend 10 minutes before class reading through the chapter to see what we will cover.

Long CRAM Sessions for Latin study are a waste of time



Break up your study sessions into *short* periods (never longer than 45 minutes). Even on a day off, do 15 minutes of Latin review by using your homemade flash cards. **Just do some Latin every day.** Leave Latin untouched for two consecutive days? You will have to work twice as hard for two more days to recover. Do the math on blowing off a week or two and decide now to do some every day.

Use all Your Senses

I'm not a big fan of those Latin programs that have you mindlessly chanting Latin all day. But there IS something to be said for using your eyes, ears, hands and voice to study Latin. Try a variety of different ways to study Latin if your

first approach doesn't seem to be working for you. Just like you wouldn't lift weights with ONLY one arm, you need to work out different parts of your brain by using all your senses. Get creative: read, write, draw, doodle, move around, pronounce, and maybe even act out your Latin. Find what works best for YOU!

RECOMMENDED STUDY SCHEDULE

There is to be no marathon day to get your translation done or to cram for your quiz. The average per-day time is an hour to an hour and a half (broken up through the day). A normal range is 7 to 12 total hours per week for the formal study of Latin. *If you are not working on Latin at least 7 meaningful hours per week*, you have no business whining about low scores and Latin being no 'fun.' Nothing is fun if you don't know what you are doing. Welcome to high school level Latin. This is the real thing and Latin teachers are impervious to whining.

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| | Spend 40 minutes reviewing grammar and forms (self- tutorials and games are a help) | Attend class [60 min] and then re-copy your notes into your notebook. Check: do you understand the concepts?— total 90 minutes | Review new grammar and memorize forms – you should be able to write endings from memory before you quit for the day—30 minutes | Review new grammar and forms—30 minutes. Can you write them out from memory yet? | Review new grammar and forms—do a few self tutorials and online games, too—40 minutes | Spend 15 minutes reviewing forms |
| Spend 15 minutes on vocabulary | Spend 20 minutes on vocabulary | Spend 30 minutes making new vocabulary cards | Spend 30 minutes on vocabulary | Spend 30 minutes on vocabulary | Spend 20 minutes on vocabulary | Spend 15 minutes on vocabulary |
| | Reserve 60 minutes to take your quiz prior to the 7 PM ET deadline | | Do 1/3 rd of your weekly assignment— 30 minutes | Reserve 30 minutes to take your vocabulary quiz prior to the 7 PM ET | Do 1/3 rd of your weekly assignment, submit it to Quia by 7 PM ET deadline—60 minutes | |
| 15 minutes | 2 hours | 2 hours | 1.5 hours | 1.5 hours | 2 hours | 30 minutes |

Well, I have to make it due sometime, right? Actually, experience has shown that late night due times have a higher failure rate. Remember that the homework window OPENS on Tuesdays (4-day window), the regular quiz window OPENS on Friday (4-day window), but vocabulary quizzes are only on weeks we are starting a new chapter and OPEN on Tuesday (3-day window). Students in other time zones, be sure to adjust accordingly – all classes and deadlines are Eastern Time. Please create a schedule that works well for you. There is no virtue in delaying until the last moment when you might be stuck in rush hour traffic.



GIFTED AND ESPECIALLY SMART STUDENTS: HEADS UP!

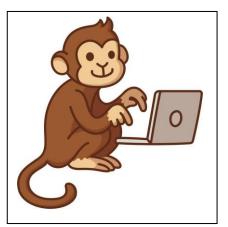
Latin takes time. **Period**. Do not misinterpret your need to take extra time as failure or that you are not 'good' at Latin. Sometimes extremely gifted students do poorly in Latin because they believe that they are naturally *good* at subjects that come easily to them and, the reverse, that they are not good in subjects that demand extra time. Latin takes time for everyone, especially for those planning to be good at it. This applies to you.

AVERAGE STUDENTS: HEADS UP!

If you normally have to work to master academic things, you are in the right crowd. Don't read my warning to gifted students and despair that Latin is so hard even gifted students can't learn it. On the contrary! Latin is an especially good topic to study if you are an average student. You already know how to work at things to learn them, so now **do what you do best and shine!** Determination is the key to everything, including Latin. You already have that going for you so now let's see some great Latin!

COMMUNICATING WITH THE CLASS

I will use the email address you (and/or a parent or guardian) submitted on your registration form to contact you. It is up to you to manage changes in your email address and your spam/junk filter to be sure you are getting class emails. I have no way of knowing if you have changed email addresses, unless you contact me to let me know.



If you are not getting a class email every 7-10 days, check your spam filter and then contact me to make sure we have your correct email. If you think that I haven't sent you any emails, I can check our database history for specific dates and times to help you find an answer.

Personal emails: I will respond to your emails as directly as time allows. If you have a question about grammar/vocabulary or if you have a request for completing work before a quiz or you have been deathly ill and need some Latin help, etc., include your parent's email address in the communication by clicking the "cc" button at the top of your email. This means that all student/teacher emails will be viewed by your parent as well.

Students should communicate with the instructor for themselves. Do not have a parent or guardian communicate on your behalf unless you are extremely ill and cannot otherwise reach your keyboard. This is a high-school level course. Behave accordingly. I do not write college recommendation letters for students who do not communicate with me directly.

PRO TIP: Make my email <u>sfisher@lukeion.org</u> a safe sender for your in-box. Also, add yourself/parent to the Lukeion Project on Facebook, Instagram and the eNews list (go to <u>www.lukeion.org</u>)

If I am gravely ill or have serious technical difficulties which require class to be canceled, I will email the whole class as soon as I am physically able, or I will have another instructor email on my behalf.

In an extreme emergency such as a natural disaster, etc. I will rely on our Lukeion Project Facebook and Instagram pages and Lukeion Project email blasts to give out information.

RECORDINGS:

I will record each of our class sessions and these will be available by email request at sfisher@lukeion.org. Recordings are to be watched streaming, not downloaded, within a week of the class missed. Passwords are changed weekly.

Please be advised that recordings are a courtesy and if a recording is not available for any reason whatsoever, students are still expected to complete work and quizzes as assigned on the syllabus without grounds for an extension. As usual, I will be available to answer questions by email within reason, but *it is the student's responsibility to proceed with the course as usual.*

Please be sure to abide by the following important rules for using the recordings. Failure to do so may result in having your recording access privileges revoked.

- DO NOT DISTRIBUTE THEM (OR A LINK TO THEM) TO PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT REGISTERED FOR THIS COURSE AS THIS WOULD BE A VIOLATION OF COPYRIGHT LAWS.
- DO NOT REPLACE THE LIVE SESSIONS WITH RECORDINGS FOR THE PURPOSES OF COMPLETING THE CLASS UNLESS YOU HAVE PREARRANGED THIS WITH ME. SKIPPING CLASSES MAY COUNT AGAINST YOUR FINAL COURSE GRADE.

WHEN TO REGISTER FOR LATIN 2B & THE NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

You may register for your second semester any time but only a paid registration reserves a seat. We will automatically add a \$12 fee and add you to our registration for the National Latin Exam (NLE) if you register prior to December 15th. If you plan to take the NLE, the last date that you may register and pay for Latin 2b is December 15.

The NLE will be administered at home with an adult as proctor early in the day on March 9, 2026, but the deadline to register falls during our Christmas break. *If you do not wish to take the NLE OR if you have already taken the NLE Level II: Intermediate Latin Exam let us know when you register!* Students of The Lukeion Project receive significant savings in the NLE compared to enrolling as an independent student, plus we do the paperwork and registration. **IF you do not enroll and pay for the course by December 15**th, we will not enroll you in the NLE.

THE Pre-Semester Quiz (PSQ) opens in JANUARY.

On January 12, one week prior to the start of Latin 2b (January 20), I will open the **Latin 2b Pre-Semester Quiz**. The purpose of the quiz is to forcefully cajole you into intensely reviewing chapters 20-29 prior to the start of the new semester. You may take the comprehensive quiz **up to five times** (closed book) and **you should study between attempts**. Those who score an **85%** or higher on this quiz will earn a '100' as the first grade of the new semester in my grade book. *You earn a zero if you do not make it to golden 85% (no, I don't round up)*. **Bonus points go to the top three scores**. Plan for your participation in this quiz as you arrange your January schedule.

TROUBLESHOOTING AND PRO-TIPS:

If the link to submit work is not visible in Quia at the appropriate time, send me an email and I'll fix it.

If the link to submit work says that the *quiz is unavailable* or you *do not have access to that quiz*, please check that you are within the timeframe for the assignment and are clicking the correct link before emailing me. *Be sure to read the link title – don't just assume it's the last one on the list*. The Quia links will stop working at the published deadlines and you won't be able to get in outside of the parameters of the assignment.

Help! Quia Ate my Work! What to do if the submitted assignment isn't there:

- **Homework**: If you are within the time frame you can just enter the link a 2nd time to submit the work as usual. No worries. Your empty and abandoned first attempt will be visible to me as a clearly distinguishable non-submission and the first you submitted will not have been recorded (if Quia truly ate your work, your 1st submission is marked as "abandoned").
- **Quizzes/Exams**: Email me BEFORE the deadline passes for help. I will reset that exam ONLY if it appears that Quia is to blame and the evidence is in place to support this fact.
- Requests to reset assignments sent after the deadline will always be rejected I look at the email time stamp. *Resetting any assignment is at the instructor's discretion and is a courtesy only.*

Help! I missed the deadline! Can I just hop into Quia late to see what I missed? The short answer is sadly no, and here is why: This is a lesson in time management. When you misuse your time, you start asking others to spend their time helping you get back on track. Letting you into Quia for a few minutes when you missed the deadline, uses my time and --penalty free---prevents you from maturing in this area. The penalty for a mismanaged week is YOUR loss of opportunity to improve your Latin.

The following two simple things will help you avoid 99.99% of all problems in this class. Adopt these habits early and make your life a lot easier:

Do not wait until the last minute to do your work. Allow at least five minutes to copy/paste your work into Quia AND at least fifteen minutes to answer all of the grammar spot-check questions each week. The settings on Quia disallow anyone from slithering in late and unseen.

Do not do your work straight onto Quia. *Quia does not save as you go along*, so working straight onto Quia is a sure-fire way to lose it if you lose your internet connection or Quia times out. Complete your work on your own device. Save, copy & paste it into the link provided on Quia.

Refer to the course handouts for more pro-tips and clarification. The Care and Feeding of Quia and Latin Homework FAQ's in particular will help you with the ins and outs of managing Quia and homework/quiz submission. Other course handouts and recordings are geared toward helping you study and learn the language.

DON'T BE SHY

I am always available by email at sfisher@lukeion.org. If I am at my desk, I will usually respond within a few hours. Please expect a little longer response time if you email outside of office hours (Mon-Thurs 9-4 pm). Take note that I do not check/respond to emails on Sunday. Please let me know your full name, your Latin level and some specifics about your problem.

On an exotic trip? Send me a postcard: 7725 Eustis Ct., Cincinnati OH 45236

Your course schedule is on the following page. Print a copy and place it in your notebook. Use this as a reference for all homework and quiz assignments this semester. Contact me immediately if you do not understand how to read this schedule.

| Week# | Class dates | Weekly Assignment Homework opens Tuesdays, due Fridays by 7 pm ET | Quiz/ Exam deadline | Quiz/Exam topic Opens Fridays, Due Mondays by 7 PM ET* | | | | | |
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| | AUTUMN PSQ: August 18-29 (7 PM ET): 5 tries to make 85% for 100 first quiz score. Below 85%? Zero! | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Aug 26 | Ch. 20 EX all, SA all (pp.165-166) | | Caput 20 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Everything chapter 20 | | | | | |
| 2 | Sep 2 | "Cicero urges Catiline's" (pp.166-167) Ch.21 EX all (p.172) | Sep 8 | Caput 21 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: review chapter 20, new vocabulary only ch. 21 | | | | | |
| 3 | Sep 9 | Ch. 21 SA all (pp.172-173); "Virgil's Messianic Eclogue" (pp. 173-174) | Sep 15 | No vocabulary Quiz Quiz: Verb-a-Palooza: 5 tries | | | | | |
| 4 | Sep 16 | Ch. 22 EX all; SA all (pp.179-180) "A Visit from the Young Interns" (p. 181) | Sep 22 | Caput 22 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Nouns-Galore: 3 tries | | | | | |
| 5 | Sep 23 | Ch. 23 EX all; SA all (pp. 188-189) | Sep 29 | Caput 23 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Everything chapter 23 | | | | | |
| 6 | Sep 30 | "Laocoon speaks out" (pp. 189-191); Ch. 24 EX all (pp. 196-197) | Oct 6 | Caput 24 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Everything chapter 24 | | | | | |
| 7 | Oct 7 | Ch.24 SA all; "De Cupiditate" (pp. 197-189) and "The Satirist's Modus Operandi" (p. 199) | Oct 13 | No Vocabulary Quiz Midterm Exam - comprehensive chps. 20-24 | | | | | |
| 8 | 0ct 14 | Ch. 25 EX all, SA only 1-8 (pp. 206-207) | Oct 20 | Caput 25 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Chapter 25 (+ a dash of chp. 24 review) | | | | | |
| 9 | 0ct 21 | Ch. 25 SA 9-16; "The Death of Laocoon" (pp. 207-208) | Oct 27 | No Vocabulary Quiz Quiz: Everything chapter 25 | | | | | |
| 10 | Oct 28 | Ch. 26 EX all; SA all (pp. 213-215); "The Nations of Gaul; "The Good Life," (p. 215-216) | Nov 3 | Caput 26 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Everything chapter 26 | | | | | |
| 11 | Nov 4 | Ch. 27 EX all; SA all (pp. 221-22); "Alley cat;" "Thanks a Lot" (p. 222-223) | Nov 10 | Caput 27 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Everything chapter 27 | | | | | |
| 12 | Nov 11 | "An Uncles' Love" (p. 223) Ch.28 EX all; SA all; | Nov 17 | Caput 28 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Everything chapter 28 | | | | | |
| 13 | Nov 18 | Ch. 29 SA all, EX all pp. 240-241) | Nov 24 | Caput 29 Vocab Quiz due Thu Quiz: Everything chapter 29 | | | | | |
| 14 | Nov 25 | No class - Thanksgiving/Fall Break HW due "To Have Friends," "Days of the Week" (p. 233); "How many kisses" (p. 242) | - | NOTE: No quiz (vocab or regular) this week due to break. | | | | | |
| 15 | Dec 2 | "The Nervousness," "You're all Just Wonderful" (p. 242) | Final Exam opens Friday Dec. 5 No extensions on the final exam. | | | | | | |
| 16 | Final Exam Dec 5 th at 8 AM ET – 9 th at 7 PM ET The semester ends on December 9th. All coursework must be submitted by this date for course credit. No exceptions . | | | | | | | | |

KEY: SA = SENTENTIATE ANTIQUAE EX = EXERCITATIONES