

Latin 4 Honors

- Read extended passages of unadapted Latin prose and poetry, demonstrating comprehension through answers to questions, translation, [and](#) class discussion;
- Expand vocabulary, focusing on the words used in particular works rather than isolated vocabulary lists;
- Analyze and describe the literary aspects of a text, including figures of speech, rhetorical devices, [diction](#), and meter;
- Identify and describe how significant political, historical, or philosophical developments influence a particular author's perspective;
- Expand writing skills, focusing on the construction of a thesis, development of an argument, and appropriate citation of the Latin text.

Latin 4CPI/5CP1

- Read adapted and unadapted passages of Latin prose and poetry
- Demonstrate a knowledge of basic Latin grammar, and be introduced to the more esoteric grammar and syntax
- Demonstrate a deeper knowledge of Roman mythology and history

Latin 5 Advanced Placement

- Read unadapted Latin poetry [and](#) prose according to the College Board syllabus, [currently Caesar's de bello Gallico and Vergil's Aeneid](#);
- Expand vocabulary, focusing on the words used in particular works rather than isolated vocabulary lists; develop ability to deduce the meaning of unknown words using context, knowledge of base words and prefixes, etc.
- Demonstrate comprehension of unadapted Latin poetry and prose in answers to questions, translations, and class discussion;
- Demonstrate skills of literary analysis in essays using appropriate Latin citations;
- [Demonstrate knowledge of](#) the social, [cultural](#), and historical context of the literature on the Advanced Placement syllabus;
- Scan poetry and recognize rhetorical figures and draw conclusions about the authors' use of metrics and figures of speech.

Related Activities

Latin students have the opportunity to travel to Italy, Greece, and/or Roman Britain on teacher-led tours.

Latin students are also involved in a variety of activities to demonstrate their knowledge of the ancient world including an active Latin Club, and the writing of the National Latin Exam.

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Latin 1 CP1

- Read, pronounce, and understand adapted Latin including the five cases of nouns and adjectives, and the present, imperfect, and perfect tenses of verbs at a beginner level of complexity;
- Acquire vocabulary base of approximately 400 words;
- Demonstrate comprehension of the above by answering questions, translating, writing summaries and participating in in-class discussion;
- Determine meaning of English words based on knowledge of their Latin roots;
- Make connections between grammatical concepts in Latin and English with the goal of increasing students' understanding of both languages;
- Demonstrate knowledge of first century life in Pompeii and Roman Britain, and compare it to the students' own culture;
- Demonstrate a basic knowledge of mythology, geography, and the early history of the Rome.

Latin 2 CP1

Demonstrate proficiency and expand upon the skills outlined in Latin 1 and

- Read, pronounce, and understand adapted Latin including pluperfect tense, imperative and subjunctive moods, vocative case, and participles;
- Continue to build vocabulary base, adding approximately 300 words to the Latin 1 base;
- Demonstrate further knowledge of the culture, geography, history, religion, and art of Roman Britain, especially Roman Bath;
- Demonstrate knowledge of first century Egyptian culture including manufactured goods, religion, and the city of Alexandria.

Latin 2 Honors

Demonstrate proficiency and expand upon the skills outlined in Latin 2 CP1 and

- Read, pronounce, and understand adapted Latin including passive voice, all cases of nouns in an increased variety of uses, and expanded use of the subjunctive mood;
- Continue to build vocabulary, adding approximately 400 words to the Latin 1 vocabulary base.

Latin 3 CP1

Demonstrate proficiency and expand upon the skills outlined in Latin 2 CP1 and

- Read and understand adapted Latin including passive voice, deponent verbs, expanded uses of the subjunctive mood, future and future perfect tenses, and ablative absolute;
- Continue to build vocabulary base, adding approximately 300 words to the Latin 2CP base;
- Expand reading skills beyond literal comprehension, developing the ability to draw conclusions and make inferences about character, motive, and tone;
- Demonstrate knowledge of the organization of the Roman army, the history of the province of Judea, the functions of the major buildings in the Forum Romanum, and the basic tenets of the religions practiced in the Roman Empire.

Latin 3 Honors

Demonstrate proficiency and expand upon the skills outlined in Latin 3 CP1 and

- Read, pronounce, and understand adapted and unadapted passages of Latin, both prose and poetry, including indirect statement with all infinitives.
- Continue to build vocabulary base, adding approximately 350 words to the Latin 2 Honors base;
- Discuss the content and style of adapted and unadapted passages of Latin, including discussion of figures of speech such as anaphora and asyndeton;
- Scan and read aloud poetry written in hendecasyllabic meter and elegiac couplets;
- Demonstrate knowledge of Roman daily life such as Roman marriage and legal customs, and public offices.