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# Index Verbōrum

## A

**ad** *to, towards*

iacit ad *throws towards*

īre ad *to go to*

**alia** *some, others*

alia . . . alia . . . *some . . . others . . .*

alia arma *some weapons*

**alii** *some, others*

alii . . . alii . . . *some . . . others . . .*

alii gladiātōrēs *other gladiators*

**alium** *other, another*

in gladiātōrem alium *into another gladiator*

super alium alius *one after another, the other*

**alius** *other, another*

gladiātor alius *another gladiator*

super alium alius *one after another, the other*

**amīcus** *friend*

amīcus esse *to be a friend*

**Amphitheātrō Flāvīō** *the Flavian Amphitheater (the Colosseum)*

ex Amphitheātrō Flāvīō esse *to be outside of the Colosseum*

in Amphitheātrō Flāvīō pugnāre *to fight in the Colosseum*

**Amphitheātrum Flāvium** *the Colosseum*

in Amphitheātrum Flāvium *into the Colosseum*

īre ad Amphitheātrum Flāvium *to go to the Colosseum*

**arma** *weapons, armor*

arma habēre *to have weapons*

arma iacit *throws weapons*

arma placēre *to like weapons*

arma quaerere *to search for weapons*

**ātra** *black*

arma ātra *black weapons*

**ātrum** *black*

gladium ātrum *black sword*

**B****bene** *well*bene olet *smells good*bene pugnant *fight well***bona** *good (more than one)*bona arma *good weapons***bonam** *good*pugnam bonam *good fight***bonī** *good (more than one)*bonī gladiātōrēs *good gladiators***bonus** *good*bonus es *you are good***C****cadit** *falls*cadit in *falls into*gladiātor ineptus cadit *a clumsy gladiator falls*in scūtum cadit *falls onto a shield*Oenobatiātus cadit *Oenobatiatus falls***cadunt** *they fall*ē Cloācā Maximā cadunt *they fall out of Rome's sewer*gladiātōrēs cadunt *the gladiators fall***Circō Maximō** *Circus Maximus*ē Circō Maximō it *goes out of the Circus Maximus*in Circō Maximō esse *to be in the Circus Maximus***Circum Maximum** *Circus Maximus*ad Circum Maximum it *goes to the Circus Maximus***Cloāca Maxima** *the Cloaca Maxima, Rome's sewer*Cloāca Maxima sordida est *Rome's sewer is dirty***Cloācā Maximā** *the Cloaca Maxima, Rome's sewer*ē Cloācā Maximā cadunt *they fall out of Rome's sewer*in Cloācā Maximā quaerunt *they search in Rome's sewer***Cloācam Maximam** *Cloaca Maxima*in Cloācam Maximam iacite! *Throw into Rome's sewer!*īte ad Cloācam Maximam! *Go to Rome's sewer!***Crixaflamma** *Crixaflamma, the best gladiator***Crixaflammae** *of Crixaflamma*arma Crixaflammae *Crixaflamma's weapons*

scūtum Crixafammae *Crixafamma's shield*

**Crixafammam** *Crixafamma*

ad Crixafammam iacit *throws towards Crixafamma*

vult Crixafammam esse . . . *wants Crixafamma to be . . .*

## D

**diē** *day*

diē Martis *on the day of Mars (Tuesday)*

**diem** *day*

diem Mārtis exspectat *waits for the day of Mars (Tuesday)*

**diēs** *day*

diēs Mārtis *the day of Mars (Tuesday)*

diēs Sātūrnī *the day of Saturn (Saturday)*

diēs Veneris *the day of Venus (Friday)*

## E

**ē/ex** *of, out of, outside of*

cadunt ē *they fall out of*

esse ex *to be outside of*

īre ē/ex *to go out of*

**eāmus** *Let's go!*

ad lūdum eāmus! *Let's go to the gladiator school!*

**eō** *I go*

ad Forum Rōmānum eō *I'm going to the Roman Forum*

**eī** *to her/him*

eī placēre *to be pleasing to her/him, s/he likes*

**erant** *they were, there were*

in Amphitheātrō Flāviō erant *were in the Colosseum*

in Cloācā Maximā erant *were in Rome's sewer*

**ergō** *therefore, so*

**erit** *will be*

laetus erit *will be happy*

pugna erit *there will be a fight*

**erō** *I will be*

laetus erō *I will be happy*

**es** *you are*

amīcus es *you are a friend*

bonus es *you are good*

es malus *you are bad*  
 es sordidus *you are dirty*  
 optimus es *you are the best*

**esse** *to be*

vult Crixafammam esse . . . *wants Crixafamma to be . . .*

**est** *is*

est Rūfus *it's Rufus*

**et** *and*

**eunt** *they go*

gladiātōrēs eunt *gladiators go*

**euntne?** *Are they going?*

euntne gladiātōrēs? *Are the gladiators going?*

**expectābat** *was expecting, was waiting*

pugnam expectābat *was waiting for a fight*

**expectant** *they expect, wait for*

gladiātōrem expectant *they wait for the gladiator*

**expectat** *expects, waits for*

diem Mārtis expectat *waits for the day of Mars (Tuesday)*

pugnam expectat *waits for the fight*

## F

**Forō Rōmānō** *the Roman Forum, Rome's marketplace*

in Forō esse *to be in the Roman Forum*

**Forum Rōmānum** *the Roman Forum*

ad Forum Rōmānum *it goes to the Roman Forum*

**frāter** *brother*

frāter est Pīsō *the brother is Piso*

**frātre** *brother*

in frātre pugnat  *fights against (his) brother*

frātre habet *has a brother*

**frātrī** *brother*

frātrī nōn placent *brother doesn't like (more than one)*

**fūfae!** *Gross!*

## G

**gladiātor** *gladiator*

gladiātor nōn est *isn't a gladiator*

**gladiātōrem** *gladiator*

gladiātōrem expectāre *to wait for a gladiator*  
 gladiātōrem iacere *to throw a gladiator*  
 in gladiātōrem alium cadit *falls into another gladiator*  
 in gladiātōrem pugnat  *fights against the gladiator*

**gladiātōrēs** *gladiators*

gladiātōrēs cadunt *the gladiators fall*  
 gladiātōrēs eī placent *he likes gladiators*  
 gladiātōrēs iacit *throws gladiators*  
 gladiātōrēs pugnant *gladiators fight*

**gladiōs** *swords*

gladiōs habent *they have swords*

**gladium** *sword*

gladium habet *has a sword*  
 gladium iacit *throws the sword*

## H

**habē!** *Have!*

habē gladium! *Have the sword!*  
 habē lūdum! *Have the gladiator school!*  
 habē scūtum! *Have the shield!*

**habēbat** *had*

arma habēbat *had weapons*

**habent** *they have*

multa arma habent *they have many weapons*

**habeō** *I have*

arma iam nōn habeō *now I don't have the weapons*

**habēre** *to have*

volō Oenobatiātum habēre . . . *I want Oenobatiatus to have . . .*

**habēs** *have*

habēs arma *you have the weapons*

**habet** *has*

frātrem habet *has a brother*  
 lūdum habet *has a gladiator school*  
 Quis arma habet? *Who has the weapons?*

## I

**iacere** *to throw*

iacere vult *wants to throw*

**iacit** *throws*

arma iacit *throws weapons*

gladiātōrem iacit *throws a gladiator*

iacit ad *throws towards*

iacit in *throws into*

**iacite!** *Throw! (more than one)*

in Cloācam Maximam iacite! *Throw into Rome's sewer!*

**iaciunt** *they throw*

gladiātōrēs iaciunt *they throw the gladiators*

**iam** *now*

**ibant** *they were going*

ad lūdum ibant *they were going to the gladiator school*

**iēcit** *threw*

gladiātōrem iēcit *threw a gladiator*

**in** *in, into, on, against, onto*

cadit in *falls onto*

iacit in *throws into*

in Amphitheātrō Flāviō pugnāre *to fight in the Colosseum*

in Amphitheātrum Flāvium *it goes into the Colosseum*

in frātre pugnāt  *fights against (his) brother*

in gladiātōrem alium cadit *falls into another gladiator*

**ineptissimus** *most inept, unskilled, clumsy*

gladiātōr ineptissimus *the most unskilled gladiator*

**inepti** *inept, unskilled, clumsy*

inepti sunt *they are clumsy*

**ineptior** *more inept, clumsier*

gladiātōr ineptior *a clumsier gladiator*

**ineptōs** *inept, clumsy (more than one)*

gladiātōrēs ineptōs *clumsy gladiators*

**ineptus** *inept, clumsy*

gladiātōr ineptus *clumsy gladiator*

sum ineptus *I'm inept*

**irātissimum** *very angry*

gladiātōrem irātissimum *a very angry gladiator*

**irātissimus** *very angry*

irātissimus esse *to be very angry*



**irātior** *angrier*

gladiātōr irātior *an angrier gladiator*

**irātum** *angry*

gladiātōrem irātum *an angry gladiator*

**irātus** *angry*

irātus est *is angry*

**ire** *to go*

ire mihi nōn placet *I don't like to go*

ire volō *I want to go*

vīsne ire ad . . . ? *Do you want to go to . . . ?*

**it** *goes*

it ad *goes to*

it ē/ex *goes out of*

it in *goes into*

**ite** *Go! (more than one)*

ite ad . . . ! *Go to . . . !*

## L

**laetī** *happy (more than one)*

laetī sunt *are happy*

**laetum** *happy*

vult Crixafammam esse laetum *he wants Crixafamma to be happy*

**laetus** *happy*

laetus erit *will be happy*

laetus erō *I will be happy*

**lanista** *gladiator trainer*

lanista male . . . "O bad gladiator trainer . . ."

sum lanista *I'm a gladiator trainer*

**lanistae** *of the gladiator trainer*

in lūdō lanistae *in the gladiator trainer's gladiator school*

lanistae malī *of the bad gladiator trainer*

**lanistam** *gladiator trainer*

ad lanistam *it goes towards the gladiator trainer*

lanistam habet *has a gladiator trainer*

lanistam iacere vult *wants to throw the gladiator trainer*

**lūdō** *gladiator school*

in lūdō esse *to be in the gladiator school*

in lūdō lanistae *in the gladiator trainer's gladiator school*

**lūdum** *gladiator school*

ad lūdum ībant *they were going to the gladiator school*  
 habēre lūdum *to have the gladiator school*  
 in lūdum *it goes into the gladiator school*  
 īte ad lūdum! *Go to the gladiator school!*

**lūdus** *gladiator school*

lūdus lanistae malī *bad gladiator trainer's gladiator school*  
 lūdus malus est *the gladiator school is bad*  
 lūdus Oenobatiāti *Oenobatiatus' gladiator school*

**M****magna** *big, great (more than one)*

arma magna *big weapons*  
 scūta magna *big shields*

**magnī** *big (more than one)*

gladiātōrēs magnī *big gladiators*

**magnōs** *big (more than one)*

gladiōs magnōs *big swords*

**magnum** *big*

gladium magnum *big sword*  
 scūtum magnum *big shield*

**mala** *bad (more than one)*

mala arma *bad weapons*

**male** *badly, bad, "O bad . . ."*

male olēs! *You smell bad!*  
 male pugnāre *to fight badly*  
 nōn male oleō! *I don't smell bad!*  
 lanista male . . . *"O bad gladiator trainer . . ."*

**malī** *of the bad*

lanistae malī *of the bad gladiator trainer*

**malī** *bad (more than one)*

malī gladiātōrēs *bad gladiators*

**malō** *bad*

in lūdō malō *in the bad gladiator school*

**malōs** *bad (more than one)*

gladiātōrēs malōs *bad gladiators*

**malum** *bad*

gladiātor malum *bad gladiator*  
 lanistam malum *bad gladiator trainer*

**malus** *bad*

gladiātor malus *bad gladiator*

lanista malus *bad gladiator trainer*

lūdus malus *bad gladiator school*

**mihi** *to me, for me, my*

mihi nōn placēre *to not be pleasing to me, I don't like*

**multa** *many*

multa arma *many weapons*

**multī** *many*

multī gladiātōrēs *many gladiators*

**multōs** *many*

gladiātōrēs multōs *many gladiators*

## N

**nēscimus** *we don't know*

**nēsciō** *I don't know*

**nēsciō-cūius** *I-don't-know-whose (i.e., of Mr. No-Name)*

in lūdō nēsciō-cūius *in Mr. No-Name's gladiator school*

**nēsciō-quem** *I-don't-know-who (i.e., Mr. No-Name)*

nēsciō-quem gladiātōrem iēcit *threw Mr. No-Name gladiator*

**nēsciō-quis** *I-don't-know-who (i.e., Mr. No-Name)*

nēsciō-quis gladiātor *Mr. No-Name gladiator*

**nōn** *not, does not*

## O

**Oenobatiāte** *Oenobatiatus, Crixafamma's gladiator trainer*

Oenobatiāte . . . "O Oenobatiatus . . ."

**Oenobatiātī** *of Oenobatiatus*

in lūdō Oenobatiātī *in Oenobatiatus' gladiator school*

**Oenobatiātum** *Oenobatiatus*

volō Oenobatiātum habēre . . . *I want Oenobatiatus to have . . .*

**Oenobatiātus** *Oenobatiatus*

Oenobatiātus laetus est *Oenobatiatus is happy*

**olēmus** *we smell*

male olēmus *we smell bad*

**olent** *they smell*

male olent *they smell bad*

**oleō** *I smell*

nōn male oleō! *I don't smell bad!*

**olēs** *you smell*

male olēs! *You smell bad!*

**olet** *smells*

bene olet *smells good*

Quis male olet? *Who smells bad?*

**optima** *best (more than one)*

optima sunt *are the best*

arma optima *the best weapons*

**optimē!** *Great! Well done!*

optimē, Rūfe! *"Great, Rufus!"*

**optimum** *best*

gladiātōrem optimum *the best gladiator*

lanistam optimum *the best gladiator trainer*

scūtum optimum *the best shield*

**optimus** *best*

gladiātor optimus *the best gladiator*

lanista optimus *the best gladiator trainer*

lūdus optimus *the best gladiator school*

## P

**parva** *small (more than one)*

arma parva *small weapons*

scūta parva *small shields*

**parvī** *small (more than one)*

gladiātōrēs parvī *small gladiators*

**parvissimum** *very small*

scūtum parvissimum *very small shield*

**parvōs** *small (more than one)*

gladiōs parvōs *small swords*

**parvum** *small*

gladium parvum *small sword*

**parvus** *small*

parvus, sed bonus es *you are small, but good*

**Pīsō** *Piso, Rūfus' brother*

frāter est Pīsō *the brother is Piso*

**Pīsōnem** *Piso*

in frāterem, Pīsōnem, pugnat  *fights against (his) brother, Piso*

**Pisōnī** *Piso*

Pisōnī nōn placet *Piso doesn't like*

**placent** *like (more than one thing)*

eī placent *likes*

frātrī nōn placet *(his) brother doesn't like*

mihi nōn placet *I don't like*

Rūfō placet *Rufus likes*

**placet** *like*

mihi nōn placet *I don't like*

Pisōnī nōn placet *Piso doesn't like*

**pugna** *a fight*

pugna erit *there will be a fight*

**pugnā!** *Fight!*

pugnā, Crixafamma! *Fight, Crixafamma!*

**pugnābit** *will fight*

gladiātor pugnābit *the gladiator will fight*

**pugnābunt** *they will fight*

diē Martis pugnābunt *they will fight on the day of Mars*  
(Tuesday)

**pugnam** *a fight*

pugnam bonam *good fight*

**pugnant** *they fight*

gladiātōrēs pugnant *gladiators fight*

**pugnat** *fight*

in frātre pugnat *fight* *against (his) brother*

in gladiātōrēs pugnat *fight* *against gladiators*

**pugnem** *I might fight*

Quōmodō pugnem? *How am I supposed to fight?*

**Q****quaeram** *I will search (for)*

arma quaeram *I will search for the weapons*

**quaerāmus!** *Let's search (for) . . . !*

arma quaerāmus! *Let's search for the weapons!*

**quaere!** *Search (for) . . . !*

arma quaere! *Search for the weapons!*

**quaerere** *to search (for)*

vīsne arma quaerere *Do you want to search for weapons?*

**quaerite!** *Search (for) . . . ! (more than one)*  
 gladiātōrēs, arma quaerite! *Gladiators, search for weapons!*

**quaerit** *searches (for)*  
 gladium quaerit *searches for a sword*  
 quoque quaerit *also searches*

**quaerunt** *they search (for)*  
 quaerunt *in they search in*

**quoque** *also*

**Quis?** *Who?*

**Quōmodō?** *How?*

## R

**Rōmae** *Rome*  
 est Rōmae *is in Rome*

**Rōmānī** *Romans*  
 multī Rōmānī *many Romans*  
 Rōmānī exspectant *the Romans wait*

**Rūfe** *Rufus, our Roman boy*  
 Rūfe . . . "O Rufus . . ."

**Rūfō** *Rufus*  
 Rūfō placent *Rufus likes*

**Rūfum** *Rufus*  
 ad Rūfum *it goes to Rufus*  
 Rūfum iacere vult *wants to throw Rufus*

**Rūfus** *Rufus*  
 est Rūfus *it's Rufus*

## S

**scūta** *shields*  
 scūta habent *they have shields*

**scūtum** *shield*  
 ad scūtum iacit *throws towards the shield*  
 in scūtum cadit *falls onto a shield*  
 scūtum Crixafammae *Crixafamma's shield*  
 super scūtum *on top of the shield*

**sed** *but*

**sordida** *dirty*  
 Cloāca Maxima sordida est *Rome's sewer is dirty*

**sordidī** *dirty (more than one)*

gladiātōrēs sordidī sunt *the gladiators are dirty*

sordidī sumus *we are dirty*

**sordidus** *dirty*

sordidus esse *to be dirty*

**subitō** *suddenly*

**sum** *I am*

amīcus sum *I'm a friend*

irātissimus sum *I'm very angry*

sum lanista *I'm a gladiator trainer*

**sumus** *we are*

sordidī sumus *we are dirty*

**sunt** *they are, there are*

laetī sunt *they are happy*

multī sunt *there are many*

optima sunt *they are the best*

sordidī sunt *they are dirty*

sunt in *they are in*

**suntne?** *Are they?*

suntne in Forō Rōmānō *Are they in the Roman Forum?*

**super** *after, on top of*

super alium alius *one after another*

super scūtum *on top of the shield*

## U

**Ubi?** *Where?*

## V

**valdē** *really, very*

**vīsne?** *Do you want?*

vīsne ire? *Do you want to go?*

vīsne quaerere? *Do you want to search?*

**volō** *I want*

arma quoque volō *I also want the weapons*

ire volō *I want to go*

volō Oenobatiātum habēre . . . *I want Oenobatiatus to have . . .*

**vult** *wants*

arma vult *wants weapons*

iacere vult *wants to throw*

vult Crixafammam esse . . . *wants Crixafamma to be . . .*





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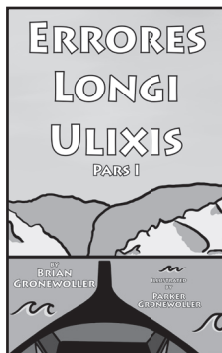
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## Novellas for Latin I

### Ego, Polyphemus

by Andrew Olimpi

Polyphemus the Cyclops' life is pretty simple: he looks after his sheep, hangs out in his cave, writes (horrible) poetry, and eats his cheese... until one day a ship arrives on his peaceful island, bringing with it invaders and turning his peaceful world upside down.



### Errores Longi Ulixis, Pars I

by Brian Gronewoller

Illustrated by Parker Gronewoller

After ten years of war the Greeks have finally conquered Troy and are ready to sail home. Their actions following the victory, however, have angered Neptune and Minerva. And Odysseus (Ulysses), Eurylochus, and Elpenor are about to learn that angry gods and goddesses can turn a brief cruise across the Mediterranean into a long adventure as they wander through unknown lands filled with strange fruit, cannibals, and monsters.

### Agrippina Auriga

by Lance Piantaggini

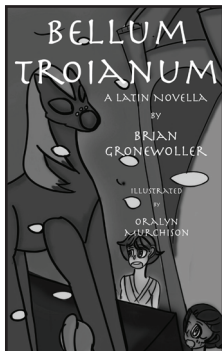
Illustrated by Chloe Deeley

Young Agrippina wants to race chariots, but a small girl from Lusitania couldn't possibly do that... could she?!

After a victorious race in the stadium of Emerita, the local crowd-favorite charioteer, Gaius Appuleius Dicloes, runs into trouble... and it's up to Agrippina to step into much bigger shoes. Can she take on the reins in this equine escapade?



## Novellas for Latin II



### Bellum Troianum

by Brian Gronewoller

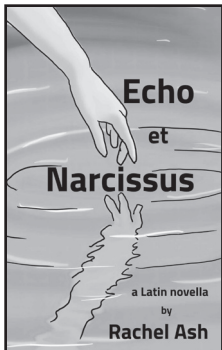
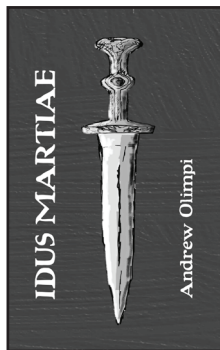
Illustrated by Orallyn Murchison

The gods and goddesses of Mount Olympus are enjoying themselves at a party when, suddenly, an apple addressed "to the most beautiful" appears in their midst. The ensuing fight for the apple between Juno, Minerva, and Venus soon spills over to earth and pulls Paris, Helen, Menelaus, Agamemnon, Hector, and Achilles into ten years of war between Greece and Troy.

### Idus Martiae

by Andrew Olimpki

It's 44 BC, and strange things are happening in Rome. A sacrificed bull is found to have no heart. Senators are meeting in houses secretly, speaking in whispers and hiding in the shadows. A soothsayer is warning people in the streets to "beware the Ides of March." Mysterious boxes are beginning to turn up . . . containing daggers. Pompeia, her brother Cornelius, and her friend Roscus set out to investigate these strange happenings and soon find themselves entangled in a web of intrigue, deception . . . and murder!



### Echo et Narcissus

by Rachel Ash

Echo is a people pleaser who takes her gift of gab too far. Narcissus is so beautiful, even he can't stand it. What happens when these two cross paths?

Inspired by the events in the third book of Ovid's *Metamorphoses*, this novella is perfect for beginning Latin readers.

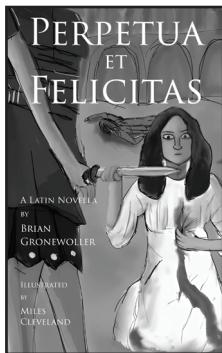
## Novellas for Latin III and Up

### Camilla, 2nd ed.

by Rachel Ash  
Illustrated by Maggie Xia

Camilla runs with the nymphs and hunts better than most men. She is nearly invincible in the battlefield, and it seems she cannot miss with either arrow or spear. Raised in the woods by her father, only her great beauty sets her apart from the men she fights beside.

Camilla's fate, like her father's, is bound in the quest for glory. She can remain home, companion to the goddess Diana, or seek to become part of a legend. What will Camilla choose?



### Perpetua et Felicitas

by Brian Gronewoller  
Illustrated by Miles Cleveland

Perpetua and Felicity are young women living in Roman North Africa with their whole lives ahead of them . . . until they find themselves in a Roman prison cell.

Based on the *Passio Perpetuae et Felicitatis* (*The Passion of Perpetua and Felicity*), one of the most influential and famous martyr narratives in the Christian tradition, this Latin novella reimagines their stories for low- to mid-intermediate readers of Latin.

### Vox in Tenebris

by Andrew Olimpki

Lucanus, a Roman citizen travelling through Greece, has a big problem: he is far from home, broke, and desperate to make some quick money.

A job opportunity soon comes his way, with a big reward: one hundred gold coins! The catch? Lucanus has to stay up all night with the dead body of a prominent citizen. Lucanus takes the job, even though he's heard the stories that citizens of the town whisper: tales of witches, ruthless and blood-thirsty, who wander the streets after the sun goes down.

