



## Section A: Unseen Prose

- 1 Translate the following passage into English. **Please write your translation on alternate lines.** [50]

*A battle between the Romans and the Etruscans was slow to start. It ended with a Roman victory but with a great loss of life on both sides.*

The Etruscans spent the first day deliberating whether to accelerate the war or draw it out.

postero die, ubi celeriora consilia magis placuere ducibus, Etrusci armati in aciem procedunt. quod postquam consuli nuntiatum est, iubet ut prandeant milites firmatisque cibo viribus arma capiant. dicto paretur. consul ubi suos paratos vidit signa extra vallum proferri iussit et haud procul hoste instruxit aciem. aliquamdiu intenti utrimque steterunt exspectantes ut pugna inciperet, et prius sol meridie se inclinavit quam telum hinc aut illinc emissum est. inde, ne infecta re abiretur, clamor ab Etruscis oritur et signa inferuntur. nec segnius a Romanis pugna initur.

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concurrunt infensis animis; numero hostis, virtute Romanus superat; anceps proelium multos absumit. ubi tamen secunda acies Romana ad primam, integri fessis, successerunt, Etrusci circa signa omnes ceciderunt. nullo umquam proelio fugae minus nec plus caedis fuisset, nisi Etruscis nox texisset, ita ut victores antequam victi pugnandi finem facerent. post occasum solis ab utroque in castra reditum est. ex hostium exercitu prima tota acies deleta fuerat; apud Romanos tantum vulnere fuit ut plures post proelium decesserint quam ceciderant in acie.

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Livy 9.32 (adapted)

**Names***Etrusci, -orum* (m pl)

Etruscans

**Words***prandeo, -ere*

I have breakfast

*meridies, -ei* (m)

midday

*infectus, -a, -um*

unfinished

*integer, integra, integrum*

fresh

*succedo, -ere, successi, successus*

I come to help

## Section B: Unseen Verse

- 2 (a) Translate the following passage into English. **Please write your translation on alternate lines.** [45]

*Ovid, who has been exiled from Rome to the land of the Sarmatians on the Black Sea, complains to his wife about the place and the people. Even his ability to speak and write Latin has suffered.*

No doubt, my dearest, you ask how I am:  
I am wretched – this is the brief sum of my misfortunes.

detineo studiis animum falloque dolores,  
 experior curis et dare verba meis.  
 quid potius faciam desertis solus in oris,  
 quamve malis aliam quaerere coner opem?  
 sive locum specto, locus est inamabilis, et quo 5  
 esse nihil toto tristius orbe potest,  
 sive homines, vix sunt homines hoc nomine digni,  
 quamque lupi saevae plus feritatis habent.  
 non metuunt leges, sed cedit viribus aequum,  
 victaque pugnaci iura sub ense iacent. 10  
 pellibus et laxis arcent mala frigora bracis,  
 oraque sunt longis horrida tecta comis.  
 ille ego Romanus vates (ignoscite, Musae)  
 Sarmatico cogor plurima more loqui.  
en pudet et fateor, iam desuetudine longa 15  
 vix subeunt ipsi verba Latina mihi.  
 nec dubito quin sint et in hoc non pauca libello  
 barbara: non hominis culpa, sed ista loci.

Ovid, *Tristia* 5.7.39–60 (with omissions)

**Names**

<i>Musae, -arum</i> (f pl)	the Muses
<i>Sarmaticus, -a, -um</i>	Sarmatian, of the region of Sarmatia
<i>Latinus, -a, -um</i>	Latin

**Words**

<i>detineo, -ere</i>	I occupy, engage
<i>do verba</i> (+ dat.)	I give empty words to, i.e. cheat
<i>feritas, -atis</i> (f)	wildness
<i>aequum, -i</i> (n)	fairness, justice
<i>laxus, -a, -um</i>	loose
<i>arceo, -ere</i>	I keep away
<i>bracae, -arum</i> (f pl)	trousers
<i>en</i>	look!
<i>desuetudo, -inis</i> (f)	disuse, neglect

Turn over for the next question.

2 (b) Write out and scan lines 17–18:

nec dubito quin sint et in hoc non pauca libello  
barbara: non hominis culpa, sed ista loci.

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