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Lingua Latina II Vivit, MMVII-MMVIII
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Explorations and Goals: "Why do we study Latin?"

This year's 7th graders say this and more:

**"We can learn many more English vocabulary words, and it really helps us with our grammar."*

**"We learn all about myth and history and it helps us in our other classes. Plus we can learn about all the advancements the Romans made and also what they did wrong so we don't make the same mistakes in our lives."*

**"Latin is the base of lots of other languages, so it helps us learn them easiesr."*

**"We get to be together as friends and have fun."*

I. Required Books and Materials: Our tools

- A. Cambridge Latin Course Unit I and II, textbooks and workbooks, Fourth Edition
- B. A Student's Latin Grammar
- C. Latin Dictionary, Second Edition, Amsco Publication
- D. a 2" binder with 9 dividers. Please label as follows: a) assignments b) nouns c) verbs d) adjectives, etc. e) words f) stories g) myth/civ h) tests i) homework
- E. 2 sharp pencils, one blue or black pen, four pens or pencils of different colors
- F. three different colored highlighters
- G. whiteout or erasers
- H. binder rings and colored 3X5 cards for flashcards
- I. Always keep plenty of binder paper!!
- J. Last year's flashcards and notes

II. Grading: errare humanum est

Jump in and try every assignment, even if you suspect that you may be doing it "all wrong". Better to make a mistake and learn from it than not to try at all.

What to expect for grading:

A. *class participation*—50% of your grade at 1st and 3rd quarter and 45% of your grade at semester:

1. HOMEWORK: each assignment is worth 20 points. Magistra will check and stamp homework at random, unannounced times. But be ready all the time! You will receive either a stamp (because you have engaged yourself with it) or an “R” for “Redo” (then if you want credit for your homework, Magistra needs to receive the “Redo” promptly back, usually the next day).

If you are ill, check your weekly assignment sheet, call your "sodalis laboris", or check the web and Moodle pages for assignments and worksheets. You have one day for every day you are sick to make-up the work.

Meus sodalis laboris est _____.

2. Binder: Magistra will inspect the 2" binder at random unannounced times. A parent will need to inspect it and sign-off an inspection sheet once a quarter.

Please keep in it:

a) all class handouts

b) plenty of notes from class

c) all your homework with corrections from class written in a different color from the original work.

d) all tests and test corrections

*******NEVER THROW ANYTHING AWAY!!!*******

B. *projects/portfolio*--10% of each semester grade: You will complete one long-term project first semester and in addition, you will build your portfolio over the course of the year and compile it at the end of May. It will be your Latin class magnum opus at graduation.

C *quizzes and tests*—50% of your 1st and 3rd quarter grades and 45% of your semester grade. You will record all your scores on a "quiz record sheet" where your parents may check the scores along with the week's homework in order to help monitor your progress. The only tests you may retake are your Skills Mastery Quizzes, which you must take until you score at least on 85%.

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