



Department: Creating Literate Learners - Latin
Years 7 and 8

Overview

Latin is delivered to the top set of CLL. The intervention concentrates on the teaching of Latin for the comprehension of reading passages which reflect the history and culture of the ancient Roman Empire. It also aims to make the students confident in discussing grammar in both Latin and other languages, ie. English, French, Spanish and Romanian.

Emphasis is also placed on the fact that 50% of English words come from Latin and, more importantly, 90% of words of more than two syllables, meaning that Latin can assist greatly in building a strong vocabulary for students.

Units studied

Pupils follow the Cambridge Latin Course Book 1 which is divided into 12 units. The pupils cover units 1-7 in Year 7 and units 8-12 in Year 8. In the second half of Year 8 we prepare for the Entry Level certificate in Latin which involves language, grammar and a written piece in English looking at an element of Roman Culture and comparing it to the present day.

Assessment

Pupils are assessed every half term through language and grammar tests. The tests will reflect the grammar and vocabulary learned in that half term and will normally include a reading comprehension.

Support/ Revision/ Extra Curricular and Useful Websites

There is a fantastic website that completely covers the course. It is called the Cambridge Latin Course website and students can access for free/no password required. Students can access this at <http://www.cambridgescp.co.uk/> and they are using Book 1.

Anticipated Educational Visits

A visit to Cambridge University Classics department and museum of ancient Roman artefacts.

A trip to the British Museum.



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