



# Why study Latin?

Studying this course will allow you to discover the influence of Latin on the English language as you translate key mythological and historical texts from ancient Rome. Delve deeper into this fascinating world of gods and gladiators whilst improving your English vocabulary, deepening your communication skills, enhancing your critical thinking and experiencing a new perspective on language.

GCSE

Latin

### Overview of course content (specification code: J282)



### **Components Studied**

You will study the following components throughout this course:

#### Language

Within this component, you will develop your knowledge of Latin vocabulary and linguistic structures through reading and studying texts and stories in Latin. You will then demonstrate your linguistic competence through the translation and comprehension of unseen Latin passages.

#### **Prose Literature**

Pupils will study Circero (a young, ambitious Roman barrister) and his damning prosecution of a wellconnected and important senator; Gaius Verres, exposing his "vice and virtue". A masterclass for anyone interested in studying Law or going into the legal profession.

#### Literature and Culture

This unit gives us the chance to explore Ancient History through the lens of artefacts and literature. We'll study Roman mythology and Roman entertainment (including Gladiators and theatre).



## **Examination and Assessment**

Examination	% of GCSE
Paper 1: Language This paper will be assessed on language translation, comprehension and syntax.	50%
Exam duration: 1 hour 30 minutes	
Paper 2: Prose Literature We will be reading an extract from Cicero's speech in the original Latin. This will test you on your literary appreciation and understanding of 110-120 lines of Latin. You will be asked to translate a short passage of the set text and answer comprehension and language questions.	25%
Exam duration: 1 hour	
Paper 3: Literature and Culture We will be studying ancient source material on two elements of Roman civilisation and culture. This year, these elements will be: Myths and Beliefs, and Roman Entertainment. You will be asked to understand and respond to these sources and draw together your knowledge and understanding in some longer answer questions.	25%
Exam duration: 1 hour	



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