

Unit 9541 Theme A: Books and Writers – Complete Vocabulary

A

ā, ab + abl. - from, by
abhorreō, abhorrēre, abhorruī - be different
abstinentia, abstinentiae - starvation
ac - and, as
accendō, accendere, accendī, accēnsus - set on fire, inflame, burn
accipiō, accipere, accēpī, acceptus - accept, take in, receive
accūsō, accūsāre, accūsāvī, accūsātus - accuse
ācer, ācris, ācre - penetrating, shrewd
acūtus, acūta, acūtum - sharp-witted, acute
ad + acc. - to, at
adferō, adferre, attulī, adlātus - bring, produce
adiuvō, adiuuāre, adiuuāvī, adiuūtus - help
admonēō, admonēre, admonuī, admonitus - advise, remind
adulēscētia, adulēscēntiae - youth, young age (from 15 to 30 years old)
aegrē - scarcely, with difficulty
Aeolius, Aeolia, Aeolium - Aeolian (here refers to Greek lyric poetry)
aequē - equally
aequō, aequāre, aequāvī, aequātus - make level
aes, aeris - bronze
aeternitās, aeternitātis - eternity, immortality
aeternus, aeterna, aeternum - lasting forever, eternal
aevum, aevī - age, period, generation
affectō, affectāre, affectāvī, affectātus - aim at, desire, aspire to, lay claim to
agrestis, agrestis, agreste - rustic, rural, unsophisticated
aliquis, aliquid - someone, something
alius, alia, aliud - other, another, else
aliī ... aliī - some ... others
altus, alta, altum - high, lofty
ambitiōsus, ambiōsa, ambiōsum - ambitious, greedy
amīcitiā, amīcitiāe - friendship
amīcus, amīca, amīcum - friendly, dear
amīcus, amīcī - friend
amō, amāre, amāvī, amātus - love
amor, amoris - love
an - whether, or
an ... an ... an - whether ... or ... or
annālēs, annālium - annals, chronicle, history
annus, annī - year
ante (1) + acc. - before
ante (2) - in front, before, in advance
Aprīlis, Aprīlis - April
aptus, apta, aptum - suitable, adapted, fitting
aqua, aquae - water
Aquilō, Aquilōnis - North wind
arcus, arcūs - bow
āridus, ārida, āridum - dry
arma, armōrum - implements, tools, equipment, arms, weapons, war
at - but, yet
atque - and
attingō, attingere, attingī, attingētus - touch, lay hands on
auctōritās, auctōritātis - authority, influence
audeō, audēre, ausus sum - dare
audiō, audīre, audīvī, audītus - hear, listen, be told
audītōrium, audītōriū - audience
Aufidus, Aufidī - Aufidus, a river in Apulia
aut - or
aut ... aut - either ... or
autem - but, however
avia, aviae - grandmother

B

beātus, beāta, beātum - happy
bellum, bellī - war
bellus, bella, bellum - agreeable, nice, fine, charming
Brūtus, Brūtī - Brutus

C

C. - = Gaius
cachinnus, cachinnī - laughter
caedēs, caedis - murder, slaughter, killing
Caesar, Caesaris - Caesar
candor, candōris - sincerity, openness, candour
canō, canere, cecinī, cantus - sing
cantō, cantāre, cantāvī, cantātus - sing, chant
Capitōlium, Capitōliū - the Capitoline hill at Rome
caprimulgus, caprimulgī - goat-herd, farm-labourer
carmen, carminis - song, poem, poetry
carta, cartae - leaf of papyrus, sheet of paper; book, volume
Cassius, Cassī - Cassius
causa, causae - reason, cause
cēlō, cēlāre, cēlāvī, cēlātus - hide
cēnsēō, cēnsēre, cēnsuī, cēnsus - decide, decree
certus, certa, certum - accurate, certain, unwavering
cingō, cingere, cinxī, cinctus - surround, enclose, wreath
cīvilis, cīvilis, cīvile - civil
clāmōr, clāmōris - shout, uproar
Claudius, Claudī - Claudius, the Roman emperor who invaded Britain in AD 43
coeō, coīre, coī - come together, meet, assemble; (used impersonally) people assemble
coepiō, coepere, coepī - begin
coma, comae - hair, tress
committō, committere, commisi, commissus - begin (reciting)
complūrēs, complūra - several, many
compōnō, compōnere, composuī, compositus - write, compose
cōmptus, cōmpta, cōmptum - elegant, adorned
cōnsuētūdō, cōnsuētūdinis - custom, habit
conterō, conterere, contrivī, contrītus - spend, consume, pass
contrā - on the contrary
conveniō, convenire, convēnī - match, fit, agree, be appropriate
Cordus, Cordī - Cordus
Cornēlius, Cornēliū - Cornelius
corripiō, corripere, corripuī, correptus - scold, tell off
crēdō, crēdere, crēdidī - trust, believe, have faith
cremō, cremāre, cremāvī, cremātus - burn, cremate
Cremūtius, Cremūtī - Cremutius
crēscō, crēscere, crēvī, crētus - grow, grow greater
cum (1) - when, since
cum (2) + abl. - with
cūctanter - hesitantly, reluctantly
Cupīdō, Cupīdinis - Cupid, Venus' son, god of love
cūr - why?

D

Daurus, Daunī - Daurus, legendary king of Apulia
dē + abl. - about, concerning
dēcēdō, dēcēdere, dēcēssi - die
decem - ten
dēdecus, dēdecoris - disgrace
dēdūcō, dēdūcere, dēdūxī, dēductus - bring down, introduce, conduct
deinde - then

Delphicus, Delphica, Delphicum - Delphic, of Delphi
(home of Apollo, god of poetry)
dēmum - at last, finally
dērigō, dērigere, dērēxī, dērēctus - align, make straight
dēsīnō, dēsīnere, dēsīī - leave off, stop, cease
dēsistō, dēsistere, dēsītī - leave off, cease, stop, desist
from
dicāx, dicācis - witty, smart
dīcō, dīcere, dīxī, dictus - say, speak, tell, declare
dictātor, dictātōris - dictator
diēs, diēī - day
dīruō, dīruere, dīruī, dīrutus - demolish, destroy
dissimulanter - dissemblingly, secretly
dō, dare, dedī, datus - give
doctus, docta, doctum - learned, educated, skilful, clever
doleō, dolēre, doluī - grieve, be sad, feel pain
dōnō, dōnāre, dōnāvī, dōnātus - give, present
dum - while

E
ē, ex + abl. - from, out of
ecce - look! see! behold! here!
edāx, edācis - biting, destructive
ēdō, ēdere, ēdidī, ēditus - bring forth, publish, produce,
compose
efficiō, efficere, effēcī, effectus - achieve, make
ego, meī - I, me, myself
ēgredior, ēgredī, ēgressus sum - go out
enim - for
et - and, also, even
et ... et - both ... and
etiam - even, also
ēvolvō, ēvolvere, ēvolvī, ēvolūtus - unfold, unroll
ex, ē +abl. - from, out of
ex humilī - from humble beginnings
exigō, exigere, exēgī, exāctus - finish, conclude
exitium, exitīī - destruction, death
exorior, exorīrī, exortus sum - appear, start up, begin
explicō, explicāre, explicāvī, explicātus - unroll, reveal,
describe
expoliō, expolīre, expolīī, expolītus - polish
externus, externa, externum - foreign
extinguō, extinguerē, extīnxī, extīnctus - extinguish,
erase, destroy

F
fābula, fābulae - conversation, talking, gossip
facile - easily
faciō, facere, fēcī, factus - make, do, compose
factum, factī - deed, event, occurrence
fax, facis - torch
fel, fellis - bile, bitterness, venom
ferē - almost
ferō, ferre, tulī, lātus - bring, carry, bear, endure; say,
relate
ferreus, ferrea, ferreum - of iron, hard, cruel
Fidentīnus, Fidentīnī - Fidentinus
finiō, finīre, finīvī, finītus - end, finish
finis, finis - end
fīō, fierī, factus sum - be done, happen
flāvus, flāva, flāvum - golden, honey-gold, fair-haired
fortasse - perhaps
fortiter - strongly, powerfully
forum, forī - forum, market-place
fossor, fossōris - ditch-digger, labourer
frangō, frangere, frēgī, frāctus - break
frequēns, frequentis - crowded, busy
fuga, fugae - flight, swift passage
fūrtim - furtively

G
gaudeō, gaudēre, gāvīsus sum - be pleased, rejoice, be
delighted
genū, genūs - knee
glōria, glōriae - glory
grātia, grātia - favour, friendship
gravis, gravis, grave - serious, weighty

H
habeō, habēre, habuī, habitus - have, hold
hercule - by Hercules!, by heavens!
hic, haec, hoc - this
Hispānia, Hispāniae - Spain
historia, historiae - history
homō, hominis - man
honor, honōris - honour
honōrō, honōrāre, honōrāvī, honōrātus - reward, honour
hortor, hortārī, hortātus sum - encourage, urge
humile, humilis - of insignificant status, humble
ex humilī - from humble beginnings

I
iam - now
idcircō - therefore, for that reason
īdem, eadem, idem - the same
identidem - continually, repeatedly, again and again
igitur - therefore, and so
ignōscō, ignōscere, ignōvī + dat. - forgive
ille, illa, illud - that, he, she, they, the following
imber, imbris - rain, shower
impendeō, impendēre - hang over, impend, threaten
impotēns, impotentis - uncontrollable, wild
in (1) + acc. - into, to, for, over
in (2) + abl. - in, on
incipiō, incipere, incēpī, inceptus - begin
ineptus, inepta, ineptum - silly, foolish, senseless, absurd
īfacētus, īfacēta, īfacētum - coarse, boorish
īnferior, īnferior, īnferius - the following, next, second,
later
ingeniōsus, ingeniōsa, ingeniōsum - clever, ingenious,
gifted
ingenium, ingenīī - ability, talent, skill
initium, initīī - beginning
innumerābilis, innumerābilis, innumerābile - countless
inopīnātus, inopīnāta, inopīnātum - unexpected
intrō, intrāre, intrāvī, intrātus - enter
inveniō, invenīre, invēnī, inventus - find
ipse, ipsa, ipsum - himself, herself, itself
irridēō, irridēre, irrīsī, irrīsus - laugh at, mock
is, ea, id - he, she, it; that
iste, ista, istud - he, she; that
Ītalī, Ītalōrum - the Italians
Ītalus, Ītala, Ītalum - Italian
iubeō, iubēre, iussī, iussus - order, give instructions
Iuppiter, Iovis - Jupiter
iūs, iūris - legal power, jurisdiction
iuvō, iuvāre, iūvī, iūtus - help
iuvat mē - it pleases me, I am delighted

L
labōriōsus, labōriōsa, labōriōsum - laborious, painstaking
laudō, laudāre, laudāvī, laudātus - praise
laurus, laurī - laurel, a laurel wreath
laus, laudis - praise, glory, eulogy
lēctor, lēctoris - reader
legō, legere, lēgī, lēctus - pick, choose; read
lentē - slowly
lepidus, lepida, lepidum - agreeable, charming, delightful,
amusing, witty

levis, levis, leve - light, slight; trivial
libellus, libellī - book, little book
liber, librī - book
līberē - freely, frankly, openly, publicly, shamelessly
Libitīna, Libitīnae - goddess of funerals
licet, licēre, licuit - it is permitted, one may
Līvius, Līvī - Titus Livius (Livy), the historian
longē - far, a long way
longus, longa, longum - long
lōrum, lōrī - thong, tie
lūnō, lūnāre, lūnāvī, lūnātus - bend, curve

M

M. - = Marcus
magnus, magna, magnum - big, great, mighty
maior, maior, maius - greater, more important
male - badly
malum, malī - disaster, evil thing
maneō, manēre, mānsī - remain, stay, survive, endure
manus, manūs - hand
Mārtiālis, Mārtiālis - Martial (the poet)
māter, mātris - mother
māteria, māteriae - subject-matter, theme, material
maximus, maxima, maximum - very big, very great, greatest
Melpomenē, Melpomenēs - Melpomene, the muse of tragic and lyric poetry
membrāna, membrānae - membrane, skin, wrapper to protect a book
memoria, memoriae - memory
mēnsis, mēnsis - month
meritō - deservedly, justly
meritum, meritī - endeavour, merit
meus, mea, meum - my, mine
mīlia, mīlium - thousands
Minerva, Minervae - Minerva, a Roman goddess
minor, minor, minus - less
mīror, mīrārī, mīrātus sum - admire
miser, misera, miserum - miserable, wretched
mittō, mittere, mīsī, missus - send
modo - only, just now, recently
modus, modī - measure, metre, rhythm, verse form
molestē - with trouble, with difficulty
monumentum, monumentī - memorial, monument
morior, morī, mortuus sum - die
mōs, mōris - custom, practice
multō - much
multus, multa, multum - much, large, great
mūtō, mūtāre, mūtāvī, mūtātus - change, exchange

N

nam - certainly, for
namque - for in fact
nē - lest, so that...not, not
nē ... quidem - not even
nec - and not, nor
neglegō, neglegere, neglēxī, neglēctus - neglect, disregard, ignore
neque - and not, nor
neque ... neque - neither ... nor
nimium - too much, excessively
nisi - except, unless
nōn - not
Nōniānus, Nōniānī - Nonianus
nōs - we, us
noscō, noscere, nōvī, nōtus - know, be acquainted with
noster, nostra, nostrum - our, my
novus, nova, novum - new
nūgae, nūgārum - trifles, nonsense, frivolities

nūllus, nūlla, nūllum - not any, not one
numerus, numerī - metre, verse
nunc - now, as things are
nūntiō, nūntiāre, nūntiāvī, nūntiātus - announce

O

ō - O
ob + acc. - because of
obēsītās, obēsītātis - fatness, stoutness, corpulence, obesity
obstrepō, obstrepere, obstrepuī - roar
ōdī, ōdisse - hate
ōlim - once, some time ago
omnis, omnis, omne - all, every
opus, operis - work, task, job, poetic opus
ōscitō, ōscitāre, ōscitāvī - be open-mouthed, gape, yawn
ostentō, ostentāre, ostentāvī, ostentātus - show, exhibit
ōtiōsus, ōtiōsa, ōtiōsum - idle, unoccupied

P

Palātium, Palātī - the Palatine Hill
palimpsestos, palimpsestī - an old sheet of paper from which the writing has been erased in order to write on it again
palleō, pallēre, palluī - grow pale, look pale
pār, paris - equal, matched
parēns, parentis - parent
pāreō, pārēre, pārūī + dat. - obey
parō, parāre, parāvī, parātus - prepare, make ready
pars, partis - part
patrōna, patrōnae - protectress, patroness
pauper, pauperis - poor, (+ gen.) badly off for
pāx, pācis - peace
pectus, pectoris - chest, breast, heart
pecūnia, pecūniae - money
per + acc. - through, by means of
perdō, perdere, perdidī, perditus - waste, lose
perennis, perennis, perenne - through the years, constant, continuing, lasting, enduring
pereō, perīre, perīī - vanish, disappear, die out
perlegō, perlegere, perlēgī, perlēctus - read through, get through the reading
permaneō, permanēre, permānsī - remain, stay, endure, persist
permittō, permittere, permīsī, permissus - allow, permit
perscribō, perscribere, perscripsī, perscriptus - write in full
pēs, pedis - foot, metrical foot
pharetra, pharetrae - quiver
Pierides, Pieridum - the Pierides, the Muses
pigrē - slowly, sluggishly, reluctantly
plācātus, plācāta, plācātum - kindly disposed, peaceful, calm
placeō, placēre, placuī + dat. - please, suit, be pleasing
plērusque, plēraque, plērumque - most, very many; (as noun) the majority
plumbum, plumbī - lead
plūrēs, plūra - more, a number of; very many
plūrimus - very much, a lot, a great deal
plūrimus, plūrima, plūrimum - most, very much, many, too many
plūs, plūris - more
plūs - more
poēma, poēmatis - poem
poēta, poētae - poet
pontifex, pontificis - high priest
Pontiliānus, Pontiliānī - Pontilianus
populus, populī - people
possum, posse, potuī - can, be able

post + acc. - *after*
posterus, postera, posterum - *later, future, of posterity*
postquam - *after, when*
potēns, potentis - *capable, powerful*
potentia, potentiae - *power, authority*
praeceptum, praeceptī - *precept, principle, command, instruction*
praefātiō, praefātiōnis - *preface, prologue, introduction*
praeripiō, praeripere, praeripuī, praereptus - *snatch*
premō, premere, pressī, pressus - *press, check, stop*
prīmō - *at first*
primum - *first, for the first time, firstly*
prīnceps, prīncipis - *first*
prīncipātus, prīncipātūs - *reign, position as emperor*
prīstinus, prīstina, prīstinum - *former, old*
prō + abl. - *because of, in return for*
probē - *well*
prōferō, prōferre, prōtulī, prōlātus - *display, publish, put forward*
propter + acc. - *because of, on account of*
prōtinus - *immediately*
prōventus, prōventūs - *growth, yield, crop*
pudeō, pudēre, puduī - *be ashamed; make ashamed*
mē pudet - *I am ashamed*
puella, puellae - *girl*
puer, puerī - *boy*
pūmex, pūmicis - *pumice*
pūniō, pūnire, pūnivī, pūnitus - *punish*
putō, putāre, putāvī - *think, believe, consider*
pýramis, pýramidis - *pyramid*

Q

quā - *where*
quaerō, quaerere, quaesivī, quaesītus - *seek, acquire, obtain*
quālisicumque, quālecumque - *of whatever quality, however good it is*
quam - *than*
quantum, quantī - *amount, quantity*
quārē - *therefore, for this reason*
que - *and*
queror, querī, questus sum - *lament, complain, moan*
quī, quae, quod - *who, which, that*
quia - *because*
quīdam, quaedam, quoddam - *one, a certain*
quidem - *indeed, even*
nē ... quidem - *not even*
quīnque - *five*
quis? quid? - *who? what?*
quis, quid - *anyone, anything, someone, something*
quisque, quaeque, quodque/quicque/quidque - *each, every (with superlative adjective)*
quisquis, quodquod/quicquid/quidquid - *whoever, whatever*
quod - *because*
quoniam - *since*
quoque - *also*

R

recēdō, recēdere, recessī - *retire, withdraw, depart, leave*
recēns, recentis - *fresh, vigorous*
recitātiō, recitātiōnis - *reading aloud of literary works, recitation*
recitātor, recitātōris - *reciter*
recitō, recitāre, recitāvī, recitātus - *read aloud, give a recitation*
redeō, redire, rediī - *return, revert*
referō, referre, rettulī, relātus - *write down, relate*

refrigerō, refrigerāre, refrigerāvī, refrigerātus - *cool off, interrupt, stop*
rēgālis, rēgālis, rēgāle - *kingly, royal, regal*
rēgius, rēgia, rēgium - *kingly, royal, regal, splendid, king-sized*
rēgnō, rēgnāre, rēgnāvī - *reign, hold sway, (+ gen.) rule over*
rēgnum, rēgnī - *kingdom, realm*
reminiscor, reminiscī + gen. - *recall, remember, call to mind*
requirō, requirere, requisī, requisītus - *seek, ask about*
rēs, reī - *property, thing, matter, fact, reality*
residō, residere, resēdī - *subside, sink back*
revocō, revocāre, revocāvī, revocātus - *call back, summon back, call back to mind, recall, remember*
rēx, rēgis - *king*
rīdeō, rīdēre, rīsī - *laugh, smile, mock*
rīsus, rīsūs - *laughter*
rogō, rogāre, rogāvī, rogātus - *ask*
Rōma, Rōmae - *Rome*
Romānī, Romānōrum - *the Romans*
rubeō, rubēre - *be red, become red, blush*
ruber, rubra, rubrum - *red*
rūrsus - *again, on the contrary*
rūs, rūris - *countryside, farm*

S

saeculum, saeculī - *generation, life-time*
saepe - *often*
saevitia, saevitiae - *violence, savagery*
saevus, saeva, saevum - *savage, cruel*
sagitta, sagittae - *arrow*
sāl, salis - *wit, sarcasm*
sapiēns, sapientis - *wise, understanding*
satis - *enough, sufficiently*
scandō, scandere - *climb, mount, ascend*
scītus, scīta, scītum - *clever, knowing, smart*
scrībō, scrībēre, scrīpsī, scrīptus - *write*
scurra, scurrae - *fashionable man about town, a wit*
sē - *himself, herself, themselves*
sēcēdō, sēcēdere, sēcēssī - *retire, leave*
sed - *but*
sedeō, sedēre, sēdī - *sit*
sēdō, sēdāre, sēdāvī, sēdātus - *soothe, quieten*
senātor, senātōris - *member of the senate, senator*
senātus, senātūs - *senate*
sentīō, sentīre, sēnsī, sēnsus - *feel, perceive, realise*
sequēns, sequentis - *following, future*
seriēs, - - *row, series, sequence*
sex - *six*
sī - *if*
sīc - *thus, in this way*
similis, similis, simile - *similar, like*
simpliciter - *simply, candidly, openly*
simul - *as soon as*
singulī, singulae, singula - *individual*
sinuōsus, sinuōsa, sinuōsum - *curvy, bendy*
sinus, sinūs - *bosom, breast*
situs, sitūs - *position, situation, site*
soleō, solēre, solitus sum - *be accustomed*
solvō, solvere, solvī, solūtus - *loosen, undo, open*
spatiōr, spatiārī, spatiātus sum - *walk about, stroll*
spērō, spērāre, spērāvī - *hope, have hope*
spīculum, spīculī - *arrow, shaft*
statiō, statiōnis - *porch, portico*
studium, studīi - *study, literature*
stupeō, stupēre, stupuī - *be astonished*
subinde - *constantly, repeatedly*
subitus, subita, subitum - *sudden, impulsive, on the spur of the moment*

subsellium, selliī - bench, seat
Suffēnus, Suffēnī - Suffenus
sum, esse, fuī - be
sūmō, sūmere, sūmpsī, sūmptus - take
superbia, superbiae - pride
superior, superior, superius - preceding, earlier
surgō, surgere, surrēxī - get up, rise
surripō, surripere, surripuī, surreptus - steal, remove
suscēnseō, suscēnsēre, suscēnsuī - be angry
suus, sua, suum - his, her, their own

T

T. - = Titus
tacitus, tacita, tacitum - silent
tam - so
tamen - however
tametsi - even though
tamquam - as, as if
tantum - so much, to such an extent
tempus, temporis - time
tōtus, tōta, tōtum - whole
trānseō, trānsire, trānsī, trānsitus - pass through, get through, pass over, cross over
trēs, tria - three
tū, tuī - you (singular)
tum - then, at the very time
tumultus, tumultūs - riot, disturbance
tunc - then
turba, turbae - crowd, gang, band
turbulentus, turbulenta, turbulentum - disturbed, stormy, turbulent
tuus, tua, tuum - your (singular), yours

U

ultimus, ultima, ultimum - last
umbilicus, umbilicī - cylinder on which a book was rolled
umquam - ever
ūnus, ūna, ūnum - one, a single, alone

urbānus, urbāna, urbānum - with city manners, elegant, refined
urbs, urbis - city, the City, Rome
ūrō, ūrere, ussī, ustus - burn, inflame with desire
usque - continuously
ut (1) - like, as
ut (2) - inasmuch as, when, in order that, so that, even though, that
ūtor, ūtī, ūsus sum + abl. - use, employ

V

vacuus, vacua, vacuum - empty
valeō, valēre, valuī - goodbye, farewell
Valerius, Valeriī - Valerius
Vārus, Vārī - Varus
vātēs, vātis - prophet, bard
vel - or
vel ... vel - either ... or
veniō, venīre, vēnī - come
ventilō, ventilāre, ventilāvī, ventilātus - fan, brandish, wave
Venus, Veneris - Venus, goddess of love
venustus, venusta, venustum - charming
vērē - truly, truthfully, accurately
vērō - but, however
versiculus, versiculī - short verse, little poem
versus, versūs - verse
vester, vestra, vestrum - your (plural)
vetus, veteris - old
viāticum, viāticī - travelling allowance, travelling expenses
videō, vidēre, vīdī, vīsus - see; (in passive) seem, appear
vigeō, vigēre, vīguī - be vigorous, thrive, flourish
violēns, violentis - wild, violent
violentus, violenta, violentum - violent
virgō, virginis - virgin, a Vestal Virgin
vīta, vītae - life
vītō, vītāre, vītāvī, vītātus - avoid
vīvō, vīvere, vīxī - live, stay alive
volēns, volentis - willingly, gladly
volō, velle, voluī - want, wish, intend