

# Cambridge Latin Course - National Latin Exam Syllabus ALIGNMENT CHART :

INTRODUCTION TO LATIN EXAM *Based on NLE syllabus for 2023-24 and CLC 5th edition*

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## NLE SYLLABUS ITEMS COVERED IN CLC UNIT I

### LANGUAGE

NOUNS (1st, 2nd, & 3rd Declensions) Concept of “Declensions” covered in St. 3.

Nominative: subject St. 2  
predicate nominative St. 2 (in context but not by name)

Dative: dative phrases translated “to/for” St. 9  
indirect object St. 9

Accusative: direct object St. 2 (singulars) & 8 (plurals)  
object of the following prepositions  
*ad* St. 3 *post* St. 6  
*in* St. 10 *prope* St. 3  
*per* St. 6

Ablative: object of the following prepositions  
*cum* St. 6 *in* St. 1  
*de* St. 5 *sine* St. 12  
*ex* St. 3

### PRONOUNS

personal: *ego, tu* (nominative and accusative only) St. 4, (dative) St. 9  
*nos, vos* (nominative, dative, and accusative) St. 10

interrogative: *quis and quid* (nominative only), St. 4

ADJECTIVES positive forms of common 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Declension St. 3

numbers: cardinal numbers *unus - decem*: *unus* St.8, *duo* St.6,  
*tres* St.8, *quinque* St.11, *decem* St.9

ADVERBS focusing on *hodie* St. 4 *semper* St. 4  
*non* St. 2 *nunc* St. 11

interrogative *cur* St. 4  
*ubi* St. 4

positive forms from first & second declension adjectives seen in context St.6  
(not covered in About the Lang. until **St. 21** )

CONJUNCTIONS *et* St. 2  
*quod* St. 6  
*sed* St. 3

ENCLITICS *-ne* St. 11

INTERJECTIONS *ecce!* St. 4  
*euge!* St. 5  
*ehu!* St. 3

## ITEMS FOUND IN LATER CLC UNITS

### LANGUAGE

#### NOUNS

Genitive: genitive phrases translated “of” St. 17  
possession St. 17

Accusative as object of the following prepositions

*ante* St. 31 (adverb *antea* seen in St 15)  
*circum* St. 15 (verb *circumspectat* seen in St.1)

*inter* St. 15

*trans* St. 25

*super* not covered (adverb *supra* seen in St. 39)

Ablative nouns translated as phrases containing “by,” “with,” “from,” etc.  
(without a Latin preposition) St 28

Ablative as object of the following prepositions

*ab* St. 14 (*abest* seen in St.5)

*sub* St. 14

#### PRONOUNS

interrogative: *quis and quid* (accusative) not covered

ADJECTIVES interrogative *quot* St. 18

numbers *quattuor* St.18, *sex* St.24, *septem* St.17, *novem* St.14,  
*octo* (not covered but in St.20 checklist, *octoginta* seen in St.21)

Roman numerals I - X [Lang Information sect p. 292 unit 3]

ADVERBS *bene* St. 14  
*male* St. 35 (malus St.28)

positive forms from 1st & 2nd declension adjectives St. 21  
(seen in context as early as St.6)

CONJUNCTIONS *aut* St. 39  
*ubi* St. 13 (when), St 16 (where)

ENCLITICS *-que* St. 13

#### INTERJECTIONS

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### LANGUAGE (cont.)

VERBS 1st & 2nd Conjugations, but for reading comprehension, limited numbers of common 3rd and 4th verbs St. 1 (all conjugations seen in context)

indicative mood, active voice of the

present tense: singulars St. 4; 3rd pl St.5; 1st & 2nd pls St. 10

imperfect tense: singulars St. 6; 3rd pl St. 6; 1st & 2nd pls St. 12

present active imperative- seen in context in St. 10

(covered in About the Lang. in St. 19)

irregular verb *sum* in the

present tense: singulars St. 4; 3rd pl St.5; 1st & 2nd pls St. 10

imperfect tense: singulars St. 6; 3rd pl St.6; 1st & 2nd pls St. 12

THEMATIC VOCABULARY animals e.g. *canis* St. 1, *feles* St. 7  
members of the Roman household: e.g. *mater* St.1, *soror* St 6, *filius* St.1

### ORAL LATIN

greetings & pleasantries: *Salve!* St. 2, *Salvete!* (pl. after St.10), *Vale!* St. 7,  
*Valete!* (pl. after St.10), *Quid est nomen tibi?* (tibi St.9) (**nomina St. 18**)

asking questions: *Quis est?* St. 4, *Quid est?* St. 4

responding to questions: *Ita vero* St. 4, *Minime* St. 10,

*Adsum* (St. 5 *Adsunt*), *Abest* (St. 6 *Aberat*)

DERIVATIVES (Found in Online Elevate/Go version of “The Stories”)  
e.g. portable - portat St.2, lunar - luna St. 7

EXPRESSIONS, MOTTOES, ABBREVIATIONS (including but not limited to)

**PHRASES not covered in CLC but some individual words are:**

e.g. *e pluribus unum - ex* St.3, *pluribus (plurimi)* St.12, *unum* St.8;

*tempus fugit - fugit* St.8; *carpe diem - diem* St.8; *etc. - et* St.2

**CULTURE** [N.B. This area of the exam is problematic for all textbooks.]

DAILY LIFE basic housing e.g. *villa, cubiculum, atrium*; St. 1

clothing e.g., *toga, tunica, stola*; St. 2

food and meals, e.g. *cena, taberna, cibus* St. 1 & 2

MYTHOLOGY Olympian deities

Apollo St. 4, Jupiter (temple of) St. 3, Neptune St. 10, Venus St. 4

GEOGRAPHY the basic Roman world, e.g., *Roma*, St. 1 (map)

## ITEMS FOUND IN LATER CLC UNITS

### LANGUAGE (cont.)

VERBS

**The concept of “Conjugations” covered in St. 13.**

**present active imperative** St 19 (seen in context as early as St. 10)

**present active infinitive** St. 13

THEMATIC VOCABULARY animals e.g. *equus* (St 13)

ORAL LATIN e.g. *Quid agis?* St. 17

*Quid est nomen tibi?* (**nomina introduced in St. 18**)

**Certe** St. 33 (**certus St. 20**)

**Sic** St. 28

DERIVATIVES **English words based on Latin roots, prefixes & suffixes,**  
e.g., **agriculture - ager** St.13 (Found in Elevate/Go version of “The Stories”)

EXPRESSIONS, MOTTOES, ABBREVIATIONS

**PHRASES not covered in CLC but some individual words are:**

e.g. *tempus fugit - tempus* St.26; *N.B. - Nota* St.22, *Bene* St.14;

*carpe diem - carpe* St.42; *etc. - cetera* St.13

*a.m.- ante* St.31, *meridiem* (only found in Unit 4 glossary);

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DAILY LIFE

MYTHOLOGY **Olympian deities (Greek & Roman names and attributes)**

**Minerva** St.15; **Ceres, Diana, Juno, Mars, Vesta** St. 23;

**Mercury & Vulcan not covered**

**founding of Rome** e.g. **Aeneas** St. 42, **Romulus and Remus** St. 29, **lupa** St. 29

GEOGRAPHY basic Roman world, e.g. *Aegyptus*, St. 17 (map)

*Mare Nostrum*, not covered

(St.13 map uses *Mare Internum* and

St.17 map uses “Mediterranean Sea”)