

16+ Entrance Exam: Latin

Time allowed: 45 minutes

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• Attempt	s ink or ball-point pen. all questions. ne questions in the spaces provided – t	there may be more s	pace than you
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Total	/60	%	For marker's use only: Translation Grammar

1. Translate the passage below into good English.

During the civil war, Caesar's general Curio besieges Utica, a town in North Africa held by Publius Attius. The inhabitants favour surrender but then hear of help arriving. Curio's confidence is at first unshaken, but he eventually withdraws to his camp.

postridie Curio <u>obsidere</u> Uticam et <u>vallo circummunire</u> coepit. erat in oppido multitudo <u>insolens</u> belli; Uticenses Caesari erant amicissimi. itaque de <u>deditione</u> omnes iam <u>palam</u> loquebantur et P.Attio persuadebant ne sua <u>pertinacia</u> omnium fortunas deleret. haec cum agerentur, nuntii missi ab rege <u>Iuba</u> venerunt qui illum adesse cum magnis copiis dicerent et de defensione urbis hortarentur. quae res eorum perterritos animos confirmavit. nuntiabantur haec eadem Curioni, sed primo credere nolebat; tantam habebat <u>fiduciam</u> ut regem nihil contra se <u>temptaturum esse</u> putaret. sed ubi certis nuntiis cognovit minus XXV milibus longe ab Utica eius copias abesse, relictis <u>munitionibus</u> se in castra recepit. huc <u>frumentum</u> transportare et castra munire coepit, statimque in Siciliam nuntios misit ut duae legiones et reliquus <u>equitatus</u> ad se mitteretur.

Vocabulary

obsideo I besiege vallum rampart munio I fortify

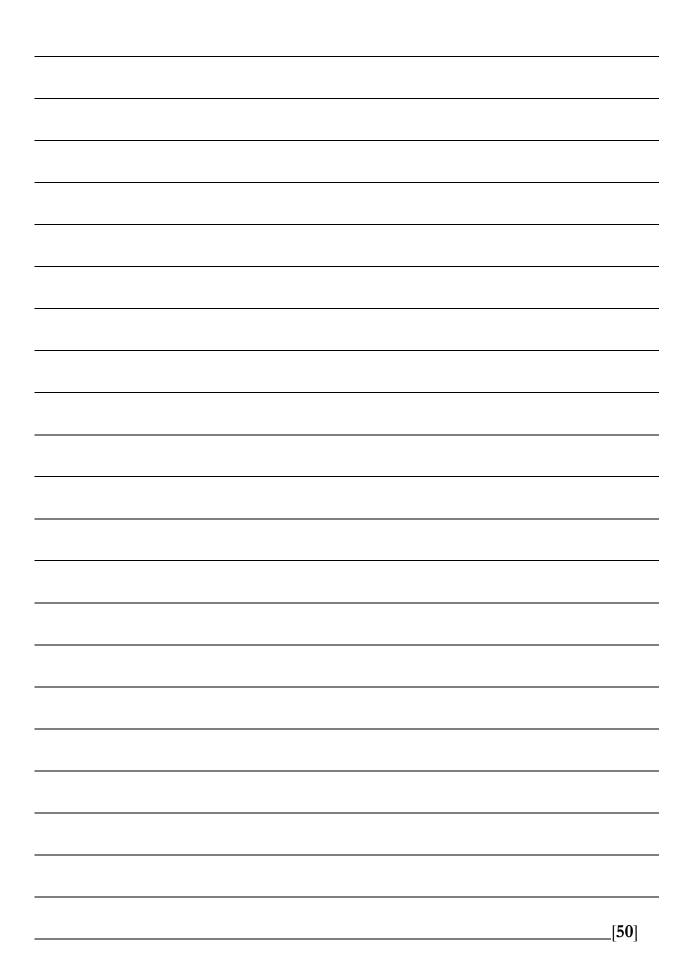
insolens unaccustomed to (+ gen.)

deditio surrender palam openly pertinacia obstinacy

Iuba Juba, King of Numidia (allied with Attius against Caesar)

fiducia confidence

tempto munitiones frumentum equitatus	I attempt an attack fortifications grain cavalry



2.	Explai	in why the following verbs are subjunctive.	
a)	delere	t (line 3)	
			[1]
b)	putare	et (line 7)	[1]
c)	mitter	etur (line 10)	[1]
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3.	The la	st word of this passage in some versions is written as <i>mitterentur</i> .	Explain
	in you	r own words why that would be equally acceptable grammatically.	
			[1]
4. (Give t	the case of these nouns and briefly say why they are in that case.	
	a) P.A	Attio (line 3)	
			[2]
	b) reg	gem (line 7)	
			[2]
	c) mu	anitionibus (line 9)	
			[2]

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Total marks available: 60