

2016 GJCL Reading Comprehension Exam: Level II

Fill in the first four blocks of the Scantron sheet with your own 4-digit code, then the next four blocks with the code for this exam (1009); leave the last two blocks blank. Fill in completely the space on the answer sheet corresponding to the best answer for each question. Do not write on the exam itself.

Cornelius Nepos, *Cimon*

Cimōn celeriter ad summōs honorēs pervēnit. Habēbat enim satis ēloquentiae, summam liberālītātem, magnam scientiam lēgum et reī mīlītāris, quod cum patre ā puerō in exercitibus fuerat. Itaque hic populum urbānum in suā potestāte facillimē tenuit et apud exercitum valuit plūrimum auctōritāte. Cum ille occidisset, Athēniēnsēs dē eō diū doluērunt; nōn solum in bellō, autem, sed etiam in pāce eum graviter desiderāvērunt. Fuit enim vir tantae liberālītātis ut, cum multōs hortōs habēret, numquam in hīs custodiās poneret; nam hortos liberrime patere voluit ne populus ab his fructibus prohiberetur. Saepe autem, cum aliquem minus bene vestitum vidēret, et suum amiculum dedit. Multōs locupletāvit, multōs pauperēs vivōs iuivit atque mortuōs suō sumptū extulit. Sic minimē mirum est si, propter morēs Cimōnis, vita eius fuit segura et mors eius fuit omnibus tam acerba quam mors cuiusdam ex familiā.

Athenienses = “The Athenians;” **locupletavit** = “he enriched;” **sumptus, us m.** = “expense”

- Which word is the subject in the first sentence ?
a) celeriter b) Cimon c) honores d) summos
- “Habebat” in line 1 is in which tense?
a) perfect b) future c) present d) imperfect
- What kind of genitive does “eloquentiae” represent in line 1?
a) possession b) material c) partitive d) subjective
- What case is “legum” in line 2?
a) nominative b) dative c) genitive d) accusative
- What is the best translation of “quod” in line 2?
a) which b) that c) whom d) because
- What is the translation of “a puero” in line 2?
a) from boyhood b) as a boy c) with a boy d) by a boy
- What tense is “fuerat” in line 3?
a) present b) perfect c) future perfect d) pluperfect
- What is the antecedent of “hic” in line 3?
a) pater b) puer c) Cimon d) exercitus
- What type of ablative is “auctoritate” in line 4?
a) means b) manner c) cause d) specification
- What type of cum clause is represented by “cum ille occidisset” in line 4?
a) jussive b) circumstantial c) temporal d) adversative
- How did the Athenians feel when Cimon died?
a) happy b) angry c) betrayed d) sad
- What is the subject of “desideraverunt” in line 5?
a) Cimon b) exercitus c) Cimon’s children d) the Athenians
- What type of genitive is “tantae liberalitatis” in line 5?
a) Possession b) objective c) description d) subjective

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Answer Key

1. b
2. d
3. c
4. c
5. d
6. a
7. d
8. c
9. d
10. b
11. d
12. d
13. c
14. d
15. c
16. b
17. b
18. b
19. a
20. d
21. c
22. c
23. b
24. a
25. c
26. c
27. a
28. d
29. b
30. a