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Latin Sample Paper

Time: 30 Minutes

Answer all the questions that follow.

1. Translate the following passage into good English:

Daedalus builds a prison for a monster

Minos, rex insulae Cretae, vir malus est. Daedalus inventor clarus erat. olim Daedalus cum filio Icaro ex Athenis ad Cretam fugit quod forte filium fratris ibi necaverat. Minos eum Labyrinthum aedificare iussit. deinde in hoc carcere monstrum terribile inclusit, nomine Minotaurum. corpus hominis caputque tauri habebat. postquam Daedalus Labyrinthum aedificavit, Minos eum Icarumque in turre altissima inclusit.

Line 5

[50]

Minos, Minois, m – Minos (a person)
Creta, Cretae, f – Crete (a place)
Daedalus, Daedali, m – Daedalus (a person)
Icarus, Icarum, m – Icarus (a person)
Athenae, Athenarum, f pl – Athens (a place)
Forte – (here means) “by accident”
Labyrinthus, Labyrinthi, m – The Labyrinth
Minotaurus, Minotauri, m – The Minotaur

2. Answer the following questions based on the passage above:

- i) What case is ‘insulae’ (line 1)? [1]
- ii) What tense is ‘erat’ (line 1)? [1]
- iii) What case is ‘filium’ (line 2)? Why is this case used here? [1 + 1]
- iv) What tense is ‘necaverat’ (line 2)? [1]
- v) What do we call verbs like ‘aedificare’ (line 3)? Is it: [1]
 - a) Imperative

- b) Infinitive
 - c) Indicative
 - d) Indirect
- vi) What gender is the noun 'monstrum' (line 3)? [1]
 - vii) What gender is the noun 'corpus' (line 4)? [1]
 - viii) What case is the noun 'hominis' (line 4)? [1]
 - ix) 'altissima' (line 5): what does this tell us about the gender of the noun 'turre' (line 5)? [1]
 - x) What case is 'turre' (line 5)? [1]

3. Translate the following sentences into Latin:

- i) They carry. [2]
- ii) The slave is carrying food. [4]
- iii) We call the woman. [4]
- iv) You (plural) greet your friend. [4]

Total marks = 75