

Course Information

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Latin - introduction 15S40			
Start date (mm/dd/yy)	1/14/2015	End date (mm/dd/yy)	2/11/2015
Half Term Bank Holidays (no class)	Week beginnng 15th February	Number of weeks	5
Day(s) of week	Thursday	Time	09.15 - 11.15
Teacher	G Hovell	Fee	£40

This course is for;

It is for students of all levels: those with no experience at all as well as those who wish to refresh their knowledge. It will be 'new' for those with experience of Latin for this course takes a fresh approach, which is based on Latin's role today and how the Romans continue to influence us today, rather than aiming to translate blocks of ancient texts.

For the first session students will need;

nothing except payment for the course and pen and paper for personal notes
I shall issue 'Summary' sheets where necessary during the course.

However, a Latin dictionary will be useful in future sessions: Collins or Oxford Press paperback dictionaries can be bought for less than £10 from bookshops and Amazon.

Additional Costs; Only refreshments

The course will cover

Wk1 A Brief History of Latin

A richly illustrated session tracing how and why Latin travelled through the centuries to our own 21st century. We discover how and where Latin is all around us today and just why we're learning it now ...

Wk 2 The Body of Latin

Exploring the shape of Latin nouns and the patterns we have inherited from them. Examples and consolidation of this includes a special (and ever popular) use of a trip through our anatomy.

Wk 3 A Piece of the Action

We discover the simple rules that make Latin verbs easy to comprehend and explore modern examples.

Wk 4 Case Studies

Demystifying the ways Latin nouns change their endings. We already use these every day without even noticing it ...

Wk 5 Defining Qualities

Adjectives bring colour to Latin – in Ancient Rome and now. We learn how they work and see that they are all around us today.

These five weeks cover three golden rules that are at the heart of translating Latin. These are often new concepts to those unfamiliar with linguistics but learning these and seeing how Latin lurks hidden within English (giving it great depth of meaning) dramatically improve literacy and foster a love of 'playing with words' which lasts long after the course has ended.

By the end of the course students should be able to read basic Latin phrases and mottoes and know their way around a Latin dictionary and how to use it.

They will have learned to identify English words that are likely to have derived from Latin and know how to find their deeper original meaning.

They will have an understanding of Roman life and values, and of its reach into our modern lives.

Tutor Profile:

After graduating with 2-1 (Hons) in *Latin and Ancient History* from Exeter University, Gillian worked in BBC Television and went on to become an award-winning freelance writer, author and NADFAS accredited public speaker.

She specialises in archaeology, prehistory and in the Greek and Roman eras and has been heard on media including Radio 4.

While actively digging at major sites in the UK and Europe, from Orkney's prehistoric Ness of Brodgar to Roman Pompeii and places in between - hence '*The Muddy Archaeologist*' - she also regularly lectures in the UK and around the Mediterranean on tours and cruises for companies such as Voyages to Antiquity, Saga specialist archaeology tours and her own *Visiting the Past Tours* as well as the Smithsonian Museum's *Journeys* on their 2015 *Pearls of Antiquity* & 2016 Scottish Islands cruises.

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