Latin I Summer Review

Below are my suggestions for how and what to study over the summer. If you're at all struggling with all those forms we learned over the year (either with how they're formed or with how their translated) you'll be swimming next year. Get control of what the book expects you already know before you get thrown back into the water!

Procedure

So . . . first of all, our textbook is very nicely designed for review. You can pretty much follow this procedure for any chapter/topic you'd like to review.

- o <u>Read the cartoon captions</u> carefully and try your best <u>both</u> to understand the meaning of the Latin <u>and</u> to recognize the new forms being introduced.
- O After reading the cartoon captions, turn to the grammar section for that chapter in the back of the book: <u>learn/review any new charts</u> (try writing them out from memory); <u>read all of the bold grammar explanations and any example sentences</u> as carefully as you can (perhaps cover the English translation before you peak); finally read as many of the Latin to English exercises as you can (preferably all).
- Now <u>look over the vocabulary</u> for that chapter and see if you know all the words.
 Try covering the Latin and see if you can say the Latin word aloud.
- o Finally, <u>read the **second** reading passage</u> for that chapter (e.g., *Flaccus Quīntum laudat*, in chapter 3).
- O You can email me if anything is still unclear.

What chapters to study

It's pretty simple: start with chapter 1 and proceed to chapter 16 (well, 16 is only vocabulary and a passage). But¹. The first few chapters are pretty simple, and you could probably breeze through chapters 1-5. Chapters 6 through 15 are probably the heart of the course. Following the procedure outlined above should be pretty quick (since you're skipping the longer, first reading passages for each chapter), and you should be able to do all of these chapters carefully.

If you want to be super amazingly awesome, try your hand at the long reading in the back of the book *Ciceronis filius*, pp. 142-44. It's *really* fun and will be great for your Latin reading chops.

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¹ Nice sentence, huh?!