



LEVEL 1 • BEGINNING

Communication in classical languages (Latin) acknowledges the importance of the three modes of communication, that is, Interpersonal, Interpretive, and Presentational modes. Since the written messages of the ancient world are the major sources of knowledge of the Roman language, a greater emphasis is given to reading as the primary form of communication in a classical Latin class. However, Latin was once a living language, widely spoken throughout the world and continues to influence the English language today. To hear and speak the sounds of Latin, to imitate the cadence of spoken Latin in poetry and song, and to write sentences in Latin are also important aspects in the study of the language in that they help to contribute to the improvement of reading in Latin.

STANDARDS AND COMPETENCIES

- 1. INTERPERSONAL – Students can correctly use and pronounce authentic Latin phrases commonly used in English.**
 - a. Students listen and reproduce sounds of Latin correctly.
 - b. Recognize and appropriately use Latin phrases and expressions in modern-day English.

- 2. PRESENTATIONAL SPEAKING – Students use Latin orally as part of the language learning process.**
 - a. Students sing or recite passages in Latin modeling correct pronunciation.
 - b. Students read out loud in Latin modeling correct pronunciation.

- 3. PRESENTATIONAL WRITING – Students use written Latin as part of the language learning process.**
 - a. Students can translate simple sentences from Latin to English and from English to Latin.
 - b. Students can appropriately use Latin phrases and expressions in their own writing.

- 4. INTERPRETIVE LISTENING – Understand spoken words, phrases, and simple sentences related to topics studied and vocabulary learned.**
 - a. Students can respond appropriately to simple commands, statements, questions, or non-verbal stimuli in Latin.
 - b. Students recognize the sounds of Latin.

- 5. INTERPRETIVE READING – Understand written words, phrases, and simple sentences related to topics studied and vocabulary learned.**
 - a. Students recognize Latin roots in English words to enhance their intuitive understanding of meaning.
 - b. Students demonstrate understanding of simple Latin texts by answering questions in English.