

# Classical Studies II

## The Aeneid Summer Reading: Books 8, 10, 11 and 12

Note: Remember to use the resources at your disposal on my website!

### Book 8

*You will be confused about where book 8 picks up unless you read a summary of Book 7. Read a summary here: <http://www.shmoop.com/aeneid/book-7-summary.html>*

1. Turnus is rallying the Latins against Aeneas and his men. Who appears to Aeneas in a dream to tell him where to find people willing to ally themselves with the Trojans against the Latins? What does this divinity tell Aeneas about his new home and the threat of war?

2. What sign will appear to him?

3. Who is Aeneas told will be willing to fight with him against the Latins? What should Aeneas do for Juno?

4. Why does Aeneas trust he can approach Evander safely as a suppliant?

5. Who and what does the feast the Arcadians are having celebrate?

6. What did the god Saturn give the first people in Latium to start their civilization?

7. Evander, unaware, has his home in what will become \_\_\_\_\_.

8. What does Venus use as an excuse as to why Vulcan should make armor for Aeneas?

9. What does Venus use to convince her husband Vulcan to make armor for Aeneas?

10. Which monsters help Vulcan in his forge?

11. What else have the Vulcan and the Cyclops crafted?

12. Who does Evander plan to use as Aeneas' new army? What does he tell Aeneas about leading the army?

13. What portent announces the arrival of Venus with Aeneas' new armor? What is Aeneas' reaction?

14. What does Evander pray for?

15. What pictures are shown on the shield Venus gives to Aeneas?

## **Book 10**

1. What had Jupiter forbidden to happen? What does he tell the gods in his presence?

2. What are the examples that Venus lists of ways that Juno ignored Jupiter's will and tried to form new destinies for men?

3. Who does Venus want to keep safe by removing him or her from the war between the Trojans and Latins?

4. What does Venus claim the Trojans would have been better off doing after Troy was destroyed by the Greeks?

5. For what does Juno blame Aeneas in regard to the current conflict?

6. What is one of Juno's arguments for why it was right for her to have helped the Rutulians?

7. What is Jupiter's response to Juno and Venus? Write his quote:

8. Who does Aeneas convince to pledge to fight with him?

*Pages 216-217 are mostly Virgil telling us the names of the leaders of ships. Skip to page 217, "These were the chosen leaders who went to help..."*

9. Who tells Aeneas that Ascanius and the Trojans are under siege? What is their story? How do they help Aeneas?

10. How is Aeneas described as he sails?

11. Turnus is ready for Aeneas and his ships. What does he say to his men? Write his quote:

12. How is Aeneas described in battle?

13. How does Venus help him?

14. What does Pallas tell his men who are on the run?

15. How is Pallas described in battle?



27. What are the gods doing in battle? (Mars, Juno, Venus, and Tisiphone)

28. Briefly summarize the scene between Aeneas, Mezentius, and Lausus:

29. What does Mezentius say is not a sin?

30. What saves Aeneas numerous times?

## **Book 11**

1. Who is Aeneas mourning at the beginning of Book XI?

2. What does Aeneas say about his fate and Latium? Write the quote:

3. Why do the Trojans and the Latins call a twelve-day truce?

4. What does Evander claim about the gods and his son?

5. How are the Latins feeling about Turnus as they bury their dead?

6. What do the Latins learn about the city of Diomedes? What have the Latins realized about Fate?

7. King Latinus calls an assembly to hear exactly what Diomedes said. What did Diomedes say about Aeneas?

8. What does King Latinus say they should do?

9. What does Drancēs call on Turnus to do?

10. What is Turnus' reply? What does he decide he will do?

11. To which goddess is Camilla dedicated?

12. What does the goddess say about Camilla's fate? What does she want Opis to do?

13. To whom is Camilla compared to as she fights?

14. Who fills Tarchon with anger so that he will fight and lead his warriors better?

15. How does Arruns kill Camilla?

16. Who slays Arruns?

17. Which group is retreating?

## **Book 12**

1. At the beginning of Book XII, how does Turnus say he wants to settle the conflict?

2. What reason does Latinus give to Turnus for why the Rutulians got involved in bloody wars with the Trojans?

3. Why does Turnus think he can beat Aeneas in single combat?

4. Who made Turnus' spear?

5. How does Turnus' acceptance of the challenge to fight in single combat make Aeneas feel?

6. What does Juno tell Juturna, the sister of Turnus?

7. How are King Latinus, Aeneas, and Ascanius described?

8. What does Aeneas say will happen to the Trojans if he loses his fight with Turnus? What does Aeneas promise to the Italians if he wins his fight with Turnus?

9. How does Juturna cause unrest in the ranks of the Rutulians?

10. What false portent does Juturna send the Rutulians?

11. What does Turnus do when Aeneas is injured? What is he compared to?

12. What is Aeneas' reaction to his injury? What is he eager to do?

13. How is Aeneas healed in Book XII after war breaks out again and he is injured? What does the healer tell Aeneas about the cure?

14. What does Aeneas tell his son before going to fight? Write the quote:

15. How does Juturna keep Turnus from Aeneas again? What is Aeneas' reaction?
  
16. How is Aeneas described as he is on the attack?
  
17. Who helps the Trojans lead the army against the city? What does Aeneas tell his men?
  
18. What is Turnus' reaction to the chaos in Latium? What does he tell his sister?
  
19. What does Turnus say about Fate? Write the quote:
  
20. How will Jupiter determine the outcome of the battle?
  
21. What happens to Turnus' blade? How else do both Turnus and Aeneas receive divine help?
  
22. What does Jupiter say to Juno?
  
23. What is Juno's reply?
  
24. What does Jupiter promise Juno about the Latin folk?
  
25. What does Jupiter send to Turnus and Juturna?
  
26. What was Turnus tell Aeneas about fear?
  
27. Why does Aeneas lose his temper and kill Turnus instead of showing mercy?