Familia Romana Essentials Online

Individual Learner Guide (March 2020)

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I. Course content:

Familia Romana Essentials Online is drawn from the essential components of Pars I of Hans Ørberg’s Lingua Latina per se Illustrata series. Familia Romana, the main book in Pars I of the series, includes 35 chapters and the course is organized into 35 lessons, one for each chapter of Familia Romana. Each lesson includes the following:

1. Latine Disco (reading): Latine Disco is an English-language student’s manual for Familia Romana. It includes a guide to pronunciation, instructions, and information on key points noted in this chapter.

2. Grammatica Latina (reading): A grammar supplement, written by Hans Ørberg, that provides tables of paradigms and forms to aid comprehension of grammar.

3. Familia Romana (readings with audio): The complete text of Familia Romana, the main book of Pars I of the Lingua Latina per se illustrata series, segmented by lēctiō within each lesson of Familia Romana Essentials Online. The PDFs of the Familia Romana book pages can be downloaded and printed for off-line reading and each lēctiō reading section includes the corresponding streaming classical pronunciation audio recordings of the Familia Romana text read aloud by author Hans H. Ørberg in a side-by-side display for optional listening while reading. A complete, unsegmented, eBook of Familia Romana is also available, located at the bottom of the chapter menu in its own section titled Familia Romana - complete eBook.

4. Classical pronunciation audio * for Familia Romana (audio only): Each classical pronunciation audio reading from Familia Romana, segmented by chapter lēctiō, is also included on an audio-only course page without the Familia Romana text reading.

* Hans H. Ørberg did not record audio readings for chapters 31-35. There are no classical pronunciation audio readings for these chapters.
5. **Exercitia** (practice exercises): Grammatical exercises for each lēctīō in *Familia Romana*. The exercitia are adapted from a print book (*Exercitia Latina I*) and PDFs from the print book are included in a side-by-side display for reference. The PDFs of the print pages include marginalia and examples to help students complete the exercises. The fill-in-the-blank short answer exercises are self-correcting. The open response exercises that require longer responses are not self-correcting as answers may vary and any grading or feedback for these exercises must be provided by a course instructor.

6. **Familia Romana lēctīō grammatica** (reading): The grammar lesson from each chapter of the *Familia Romana* text.

7. **Pensum A, B, & C** (exercises): Exercises from the end of each chapter of the *Familia Romana* text. Pensum A and B are self-correcting fill-in-the-blank exercises. Pensum C is a short answer open-response exercise that is not self-correcting or self-grading. However, sample answers are provided as feedback after answers for pensum C are submitted. Any grade, score, or additional feedback must be provided by a course instructor.

8. **Vocabulary flashcards** (practice): Vocabulary practice for each chapter of *Familia Romana* (English to Latin and Latin to English sets). The Quizlet vocabulary practice exercises show the flashcard display by default. Students can also switch to other Quizlet displays for additional vocabulary practice such as match, learn, test, and spell. The Quizlet exercise results are not recorded in the course gradebook.

9. **Latin-English glossary** (reference): The glossary can be opened on any course page by clicking the 'MORE' menu at the top right of the page and clicking 'glossary.'

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**II. Macrons and default exercise settings:**

**Macrons:**

The self-correcting exercises require the use of macrons when appropriate. For example, the correct answer for the following question is nōn:

**Germānia [answer blank] in Asiā.**

If non was entered as the answer you would be marked incorrect. PDF pages from the print version of *Exercitia Latina I* are included on the course exercise pages (see the additional materials tab). The PDFs include marginal notes to help students complete the exercises and learn when to use macrons.
Macrons can be entered into the exercise blanks using keyboard commands or by using the **special character button**. When you click into the text entry box with your cursor a special character button will appear. When you click the special character button a character map will display with all available special character inputs. Click the special character that you would like to enter into the text entry answer box for the exercise question.

**Special character button:**

![Special character button](image)

**Special character map:**

![Character Map](image)

**Default exercise settings:**

The default grading settings for all of the exercises:

- Allow an unlimited number of attempts per exercise
- Allow an unlimited number of check answer attempts
- Provide a score for all self-correcting exercises after the exercise is submitted. Answer blanks are weighted equally.
- Display the correct answers (for questions answered incorrectly) after each submitted attempt in the exercise attempt review.

**Question numbering:**

The exercitia questions are numbered to match the question numbering in the print version of *Exercitia Latina I*. However, some exercitia questions include two or more fill-in blanks per question. Each fill-in blank is also automatically assigned a number, starting with 1 for the first fill-in blank of the exercise. For example, exercise 1 from chapter 2 has six questions, but 8 fill-in blanks. The last two questions have two fill-in blanks each.
The numbers for the correct answers displayed for any incorrectly answered question always correspond to the fill-in blank number, not the question number.

Exercise scoring:

All fill-in blanks for the self-correcting exercises are weighted equally and all are assigned 1pt. For example, if an exercise has 8 fill-in blanks the exercise is assigned 8 points, one for each fill-in blank, and students are scored accordingly (i.e. – 5/8).

Non-auto-graded activities:

Not all of the Exercitia Latina I activities are self-grading. Some require full sentence responses that allow for answer variability requiring instructor grading. These exercises are included in Familia Romana Essentials Online for instructor-led courses only and are clearly labeled at the top of the exercise page. Such exercises will indicate that the activity is not self-correcting. The Pensum C activities from Familia Romana are also not self-correcting, however, sample answers are provided as student feedback when the exercise is completed and submitted.
III. Check answer button and exercise review:

All of the self-correcting activities include a check answer button, provide a score when answers are submitted, and provide correct answers for any incorrectly answered questions in the exercise attempt review screen.

The check answer button:

- Is located on the bottom right side of the exercise panel, you may need to scroll down.

- Can be used an unlimited number of times while completing the exercises. You can also check answers at any point, no matter how many answers you’ve entered.

- Will display a green checkmark for any correctly answered fill-in blanks or a red x for any incorrectly answered fill-in blanks.
• Does not incur a score/grade penalty if used.

• Will reset (but not erase your responses) when you click your cursor in any answer fill-in blank, allowing you to enter a new answer for any response marked incorrect.

The exercises will allow an unlimited number of attempts.

You must still submit your answers by clicking the submit button (see screenshot below) in order for a score to be recorded in the gradebook and for you to review the correct answers if you answered any fill-in blanks incorrectly.

The software will periodically save your progress so that you can leave and come back to finish the exercise over multiple sessions, however, you still need to submit and finish the exercise to record a score. The check answer button alone will not impact the gradebook and record a score.
Once you finish/submit your answers you can review your attempt and see the correct answers for any that you answered incorrectly by using the ‘**review all attempts**’ button that will display on the screen after you submit your answers.

The screen below will display, over the exercise page, after the ‘**review all attempts**’ button is clicked with correct answers for incorrectly answered fill-in blanks at the bottom.
III. Course navigation:

From any page in *Familia Romana Essentials Online* you will see the MENU link in the top left corner of the screen. Clicking on MENU will open the course menu on the left with links to all content.

Clicking on the first link in the menu, the one with a ‘home’ icon to the left, *FAMILIA ROMANA ESSENTIALS ONLINE*, will always bring you back to the home page. The course content menu, shown, displays each chapter lesson in a vertical display. Clicking on one of the chapter menu links will bring you to the sub-menu for that section. For example, clicking on *CAPITVLVM PRIMVM* will bring you to the sub-menu for lesson one.
You can also use the **MENU** bar at any time to navigate to other activity pages in the chapter lesson by clicking on the chapter section links or clicking the ‘plus’ icon next to a chapter lesson to open the lesson sub-menu with links to specific readings and activities within the chapter lesson.

The **MENU** bar also includes a links to the **GRADEBOOK** below the chapter section links.
Navigation within course content pages:

When within a content page you can navigate to the previous content page, or the next content page, by using the previous/next content page links at the top of the screen.

The example in the above screenshot shows the first exercise for chapter 2, **Exercitium 1 (cap. ii): Lēctiō prīma (versūs 1-24)**. In the area to the right of the MENU link at the top of the screen there's a link with a left-facing arrow labeled **Audio 02.01: Lēctiō prīma (versūs 1-24)**. This link will bring you back to the previous activity for chapter two, the audio-only page for chapter 2 Lēctiō prīma (versūs 1-24).

Following that link is a series of circles. These circles are also links to specific content pages in the section, starting with the first content page for the lesson farthest left, and the last content page for the lesson farthest right. If you hover your cursor over each circle it will display the name of that activity. The filled-in circle indicates which content page in the lesson you are currently viewing.

Finally, the link to the far right with right-facing arrows, **Exercitium 2 (cap. ii): Lēctiō prīma (versūs 1-24)**, is a link to the next exercise page for chapter 2. If it were the last activity page for the chapter lesson the top-right link would bring you to the first activity page for the next chapter.
Navigation within exercise pages:

In the previous screenshot showing the textbook exercise Exercitium 1 (cap. ii): Lēctiō prīma (versūs 1-24) the exercise menu bar on the right is also visible in its collapsed view. The screenshot below shows the collapsed exercise menu on the left and the full menu view on the right.

This menu will display on all of the workbook exercise pages. It allows students to display the activity in full screen, submit their answers (finish), and adjust the font-size and color (accessibility). Students can also collapse or hide this menu if it gets in the way when viewing exercises on smaller screens.

The default setting for all of the exercises in the online workbook allows students to submit an unlimited number of attempts per exercise and view the correct answers after each attempt. Each time students submit their answers they’ll see their score and correct answers below the exercise.

Student score display:
Additional materials tab:

The exercitia activities in each lesson include the print (PDF) version of the exercises from *Exercitia Latina I*, with marginal notes, for student reference. These PDFs are found in the additional materials tab:

**Image 2:** Magnification of the *additional materials* tab.

**Image 3:** The *additional materials* menu bar, shown when the *additional materials* tab is clicked.

**Image 4 on the next page**
Image 4: An example of how the additional materials (in this case the Grammatica Latina for chapter 1) will display.

V. FAQs:

Q. How much does access to Familia Romana Essentials Online cost and for how long will students have access?

A. The student cost is $39.95 for a 12-month subscription (starting on the day of purchase.

Q. I'm a student enrolled in a high school or college class using Familia Romana Essentials Online and I accidentally purchased the individual learner version. How do I switch to my instructor’s class?

A. Email support@hackettpublishing.com and include your name, school, and instructor’s name.
Q. I purchased access to the individual learner version of *Familia Romana* Online and I decided that I no longer want to use the courseware. Can I get a refund?

A. Refunds will be provided if requested within 48 hours of purchase. Email support@hackettpublishing.com.

Q. Who do I contact if there is a technical problem accessing *Familia Romana* Online? Who do I contact if I have a question about the content? During what hours is support available?

A. Please direct all support or access questions to support@hackettpublishing.com. General support is available during regular business hours (9am – 5pm ET, Mon – Fri) and most support emails will be answered within one business day or sooner. Please note that assistance with completing the activities is not available, however, if you believe there to be an error in the course, or have a general question about the content, please email support@hackettpublishing.com.

Q. What devices/browsers is *Familia Romana Essentials* Online compatible with?

A. The Junction software platform that runs *Familia Romana Essentials Online* is designed to work on all major internet browsers, however, current versions of Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox are recommended for best performance. The Junction platform is also natively responsive for optimal viewing on tablets and smaller screens. When using the course on a tablet or mobile device landscape view is recommended.

Q. Is there a version with ecclesiastical audio? Is there a version that does not require macrons in the answer key?

A. Yes, there are versions of *Familia Romana Essentials Online* with ecclesiastical audio and self-correcting exercitia activities that do not require macrons to be used. The individual learner versions of each will be available in spring 2020. Please email support@hackettpublishing.com for more information.