Unit 4: Mythology and Gods/Goddesses

Content Area: **World Languages**
Course(s): **Latin A**
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Enduring Understandings

- A shared or common language helps a community function effectively and productively.
- By understanding the structural patterns of a language, we discover the rules and principles of that language to respond to new or unanticipated situations and settings.
- Classical and modern languages provide a connection to the ancient world and other eras throughout history, linking the past to the present.
- Cultural perspectives are gained by both understanding the language and by experiencing its history, its practices, and its culture.
- Critical thinking and deductive reasoning skills can be greatly improved by carefully and thoughtfully studying the Latin language.

Essential Questions

- What can we learn about our own culture from studying another?
- How can language and culture influence our lives?
- How can learning a language, namely Latin, help us to make connections with other cultures, languages, and settings?
- How does the utilization of good grammar develop clear, rational, and deductive thought?
- How does Latin vocabulary influence English vocabulary?
- What was Roman mythology and what can it tell us about Ancient Roman culture/beliefs?
- How did Ancient Roman mythology/religion influence modern religion and literature?

Content

Skills

- Identify and Interpret singular and plural Latin nouns in the Nominative and Accusative Cases
- Identify and Interpret Latin verbs in the Present Tense, all persons and numbers
- Identify and Interpret the irregular Latin verb, sum, esse, all persons and numbers
- Identify and Interpret Latin adjectives in the Nominative and Accusative cases, singular and plural
- Categorize Latin words by part of speech
- Translate simple and compound Latin sentences
- Create simple Latin prose
- Memorize new Latin vocabulary
- Draw connections between Latin vocabulary and English derivatives

- Draw connections between mythology and Ancient Roman culture

Vocabulary:

Apollo	Neptune	flumen	vir
Ceres	Pluto	mox	
Diana	Vesta	nuntius	
Dionysus	Vulcan	potentia	
Janus	aether	puer	
Juno	dea	regina	
Juppiter	deus	rex	
Mars	dicit	tamen	
Mercury	ducit	tandem	
Minerva	dum	tum	

Resources

Required Resources:

- Cambridge Latin Course: Unit 1
- Latin is Fun
- Primary and Secondary Sources
- Images of Ancient Artifacts
- Maps of the Ancient World
- Youtube

Standards

WL.7.1.NM.A.1	Recognize familiar spoken or written words and phrases contained in culturally authentic materials using electronic information and other sources related to targeted themes.
WL.7.1.NM.A.4	Identify familiar people, places, and objects based on simple oral and/or written descriptions.
WL.7.1.NM.A.5	Demonstrate comprehension of brief oral and written messages using age - and level - appropriate, culturally authentic materials on familiar topics.
WL.7.1.NM.A.C.1	Personal identity is developed through experiences that occur within one's family, one's community, and the culture at large. (Topics that assist in the development of this

	understanding should include, but are not limited to: self, friends, family, pets, physical/personality descriptions, school, likes/dislikes, and pastimes.)
WL.7.1.NM.A.C.2	Observing and participating in culturally authentic activities contribute to familiarization with cultural products and practices. (Topics and activities that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: authentic celebrations, songs, and dances.)
WL.7.1.NM.A.C.3	Healthy eating habits and fitness practices may vary across cultures. (Topics that assist in the development of this under standing should include, but are not limited to: foods, shopping, eating at home or in restaurants, and wellness practices.)
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WL.7.1.NM.A.C.5	What is perceived as “basic needs” varies among and within cultures. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: safety, food, shelter, and purchase and sale of goods such as toys, games, travel, and luxury items.)
WL.7.1.NM.A.C.6	Maps, graphs, and other graphic organizers facilitate understanding of information on a wide range of topics related to the world and global issues. They make complex concepts more accessible to second - language learners w ho have limited proficiency in the language. (Content areas that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: history, economics, science, and geography.)
WL.7.1.NM.A.C.7	Learning about age - and developmentally appropriate content that is of high interest to students and has a direct connection to the cultural contexts of the target language cultivates an awareness of the shared human experience. (Content that assists in the development of this understanding should include, but is not limited to: all content areas and popular culture.)
WL.7.1.NM.A.L.1	The Novice - Mid language learner understands and communicates at the word level and can independently identify and recognize memorized words and phrases that bring meaning to text.
WL.7.1.NM.B.L.1.a	Respond to learned questions.
WL.7.1.NM.B.L.1.b	Ask memorized questions.
WL.7.1.NM.B.L.1.c	State needs and preferences.
WL.7.1.NM.B.L.1.d	Describe people, places, and things.
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WL.7.1.NM.C.L.1.a	Make lists.