Chapter 2: Comprehension

EXERCISE 2.9: CLOELIA SWIMS TO SAFETY

1. lines 1-2: Porsena multōs Rōmānōs interfēcit. Porsena multās puellās cēpit. Porsena laetus erat.

Why was Porsena happy?

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_____ [1]

2. line 3: rēx fortis sum.

How does Porsena describe himself? _____ [1]

3. lines 4-5: Porsena Cloeliam nōn terruit. 'Porsena mē cēpit,' inquit Cloelia, 'et Porsena multōs interfēcit. sed fortis sum'.

How did Cloelia show that Porsena did not terrify her? _____

_____ [1]

4. line 6: Cloelia effūgit; multae puellae aliae effūgērunt.

Whom did Cloelia escape with? _____ [1]

5. line 6-8: Cloelia et puellae per silvās ad flūmen cucurrērunt. Cloelia in flūmen fortiter cucurrit; puellae aliae in flūmen cuccurrērunt. Cloelia et puellae trāns flūmen natāvērunt.

In you own words, describe Cloelia's escape route.___ _____

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_____ [2]

6. lines 8-9: Cloelia et puellae ad urbem cucurrērunt. Cloelia ad patrem et mātrem cucurrit.

Where did Cloelia go after they swam across the river? _____

_____ [2]

7. lines 10-11: māter et pater laetī erant. 'fortiter effūgistī,' inquiunt, 'et trāns flūmen fortiter natāvistī.'

Why were Cloelia's parents happy? _____

_____ [1]

8. line 12: Rōmānī Cloeliam laudāvērunt.

How did the Romans respond to Cloelia's escape? _____ [1]

9. lines 12-13: etiam Porsena Cloeliam laudāvit: 'Cloelia,' inquit, 'mē nōn timuit. fortiter effūgit. Cloelia fortis et audāx erat.'

Why did Porsena praise Cloelia? _____

_____ [2]

10. Do you think Cloelia was brave or foolish to try so risky an escape? Explain your answer with reference to details from the story. _____

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_____ [3]

Grammar questions

1. line 1: Porsena multōs interfēcit

How would you translate *multōs*? Give a reason for your answer. _____

_____ [2]

3. line 3: Who is the subject of *cēpī*? How do you know? _____

_____ [1]

2. lines 6-7: Cloelia et puellae per silvās ad flūmen cucurrērunt.

Find a preposition and its noun in this sentence and translate them into English. _____

_____ [1]

4. Line 7: Give the stem of *cucurrit.* _____ [1]