

A Note on the Text

Since the current volume is intended chiefly to aid students in their preparation for OCR's AS and A Level examinations, the text has been taken from H. Grose-Hodge's volume 'Murder at Larinum' (1932, reprinted in 1992). All omissions and textual readings have been preserved from Grose-Hodge's version in order to make the text in this volume as close to the text which will be printed in the examinations as possible. The only four alterations in this edition are: the expansion of abbreviated names (in order to ease comprehension for students unfamiliar with the conventions of abbreviating Roman names); the addition of *et* in Section 32 to make it clearer that two men are being mentioned (*Hortensio et Quinto Metello consulibus*); the removal of a comma after *exclamat* in Section 10 to aid the flow of an indirect statement; and finally, the addition of ¹ or ² to denote which Oppianicus is being referred to (Oppianicus¹ = Oppianicus the Elder; Oppianicus² = Oppianicus the Younger).

The numbering of sections has also been taken from Grose-Hodge. I offer below an explanation of how Grose-Hodge's numbering of sections (the ones included in this volume) matches the OCT version of the text (edited by A. C. Clark (1905)) and note any significant omissions, for the interest of readers.

Grose-Hodge Section Number	OCT Section Number (with omissions noted)
Section 1	Sections 11-13



	Omissions: Section 11 (<i>atque ... intellegitis</i>) and Section 12 (<i>neque ... ducetis</i>)
Section 2	Sections 14-16 Omissions: Section 15 (<i>illam ... non [+denique]</i>) and Section 16 (<i>statuit ... putaretur</i>)
Section 3	Sections 17-23 Omissions: Section 17 (<i>pertinuisse ... arbitror</i>), Section 18 (in its entirety), Section 19 (<i>ut ... videatis</i>) and Section 20 (<i>cum ... vitaret</i>)
Section 4	Sections 23-25
Section 5	Sections 25-28
Section 6	Sections 29-30
Section 7	Sections 30-31 Omissions: Section 31 (<i>ut ... necaretur</i> and <i>ita ... potuissent</i>)
Section 10	Sections 40-41 Omissions: Section 40 (<i>per ... plurimos</i>)
Section 11	Sections 41-42



Section 27	Sections 169-171
Section 28	Sections 172-174
Section 29	Section 175 Omissions: Section 175 (<i>et ius ... arbitraretur</i>)
Section 30	Section 176
Section 31	Sections 177-178
Section 32	Sections 178-180
Section 35	Sections 185-187 Omissions: Section 185 (<i>cum ... ullum</i>) and Section 186 (<i>quid ... reservata est</i>)
Section 36	Sections 188-192 Omissions: Section 188 (<i>mitto ... videret</i>), Section 189 (<i>illud ... mater</i>) and Section 190 (<i>quod ... putavit</i>)
Section 37	Sections 192-194