# **RADLEY COLLEGE** Entrance Scholarships



# LATIN I

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2002 Time allowed - 1 hour

Complete section A and **either** B or C. A vocabulary sheet is provided with this paper.

### **SECTION A**

Translate the following passage into English:

The story of Jason and the Golden Fleece

Iason, dux Argonautarum, vellus aureum petebat. trans mare cum
suis navigavit, et tandem advenit ad Colchidem, terram in qua vellus
custodiebatur. ibi rex Pelias cum filia pulchra nomine Medea habitabat.
rex, vellus perdere nolens, Iasoni imperavit ut multa opera pararentur, quae
Iasonem probarent. progrediebantur igitur duo tauri ingentes, flammas 5
e nasis spirantes, qui sub iugum a Iasone ducendi erant.

iam *Medea* amore *Iasonis* capta erat. haec puella erat *saga* callidissima.
media nocte ingressa in *nemus*, deos oravit ut sibi auxilium daret, et
herbas collegit quae *Iasonem* custodirent. nunc tanta erat vis herbarum *carminum*que ut *Iason* sine labore tauros superaret. quo facto, 10
rex nuntiavit novum periculum appropinquare. iam necesse erat Iasoni *tellus* dentibus *draconis arare*.

(60 marks)

#### **SECTION B**

### Do either this section or section C

Read the following passage carefully, and answer the questions.

The continuation of the story of Jason. Jason faces the most serious challenge.

Iamque Iason tellurem facile arabat. ecce! homines armati e terra	
egressi gladios in Iasonem vibrabant. eo tempore etiam Medea	
ipsa pallescens putavit Iasonem mox moriturum esse. Iason tamen	
<i>lapidem</i> ingentem collegit et eum in medios hostes impulit. talis	
erat huius actionis eventus ut homines alii alios necare coepissent.	5
Iason gaudens ad ultimum opus contendit. Medea nunc se divelli	
cognovit: pars animi sui laetissima erat quod iuvenis paene victoriam	
adeptus erat. pars tamen patrem prodere nolebat. nihilominus	
Iasonem adiuvare constituit, et dum ille appropinquavit draconem	
ferocem qui vellus custodiebat, ipsa carmina nova cantabat, quae	10
draconem in somnum ducerent. draco cantando superatus est.	
vellere capto Iason cum Medea quam celerrime ad patriam	
profectus est.	

1.	What was Jason now doing, and in what manner did he do it?	[2]
2.	What was the result of this action? A full answer is required.	[6]
3.	What sign of Medea's fear was visible? How does the author	
	use his description of Medea at this point to bring out the	
	extreme danger of the situation?	[1+3]
4.	What did Jason do to counter this new threat?	[4]
5.	What was the result of this action?	[3]
6.	What two words in line 6 reveal how Jason was feeling as he	
	moved to his next task?	[2]

7. Why did Medea have mixed feelings at this point (lines 6-8?)	
Give a full explanation.	[5]
8. What did she decide to do?	[1]
9. What was guarding the fleece, and what did Medea do to help	
Jason overcome it?	[2+2]
10. What is the Latin word that reveals how the guardian of the	
fleece was overcome, and what does it mean? What happened	
next?	[1+3]
11. Quote from the text a word or phrase that is an example of:	
a. an ablative absolute	
b. a gerund	
c. a relative pronoun	
d. a present active infinitive	
e. a reflexive pronoun	
f. an adverb	
g. a present participle	
h. a result clause	
i. a purpose clause	
j. a future active participle	[5]

(40 marks)

### **SECTION C**

#### Do either this section or section B

Translate the following sentences into Latin; the vocabulary of section A will help you.

- 1. When the golden fleece had been sought, the leader of the sailors proceeded to his own native land.
- 2. The king guarded his daughters so that nobody should look at them.
- 3. Jason said that the beautiful girls lived in a huge grove.
- 4. The bulls were so large that the Argonauts guarded the boys.
- 5. Tell the guards to hurry to the sea quickly and without the king.

(40 marks)