

*Fama volat.*<sup>1</sup>

# Literature 10

## The Artisan's Wonderful Wings and The Story of Titus Manlius



### Greece

Read “The Artisan's Wonderful Wings” You will find it on the *Mothers' Companion* flashdrive in Volume 3, Classics, “Legends of Greece and Rome” by G. H. Kupfer, no.19. In this story you will meet, Daedalus, (Δαίδαλος), Icarus, (Ίκαρος), and Perdix, (Πέρδιξ). The last name means partridge – the bird you sometimes see in the countryside low down near the ground and under hedges bears the scientific name *Perdix, Perdix*. Read the story to find out why the partridge is so called!

### 2 Rome

Read “The Story of Titus Manlius.” You will find it on the *Mothers' Companion* flashdrive in Volume 4, “Stories from the History of Rome” no.12. This sad and gruesome story begins with a kind of “David and Goliath” episode. However, the “David” of *this* story does not give glory to God for his victory. There were three generations of the family, all called Titus Manlius Torquatus, who lived in the third and second centuries BC. The first, son of Lucius Manlius, was the stammerer in this story. His strict insistence on the death of his son (the second generation) for breach of military orders has given rise to the term “Manilian Discipline.”

Vocabulary:

Nouns of the first declension to learn and add to your vocabulary notebook:

Here are the only two **masculine** nouns in the 1<sup>st</sup> declension that you need to know for IGCSE Latin. The rest are feminine.

The meaning of both is obvious.

*agricola, agricolae* farmer

Bible example:

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<sup>1</sup> You can probably translate this quotation from Virgil yourself. It is usually rendered “Rumour flies” or “Rumour has wings.”

*propter terrae vastitatem quia non venit pluvia in terra confusi sunt agricolae operuerunt capita sua* Jeremiah 14:4.

*poeta, poetae* poet

Bible example:

*in ipso enim vivimus et movemur et sumus sicut et quidam vestrum poetarum dixerunt ipsius enim et genus sumus* Acts 17:28 Notice the genitive plural in this familiar text “of your own poets.” This interesting quotation by the Apostle Paul of a pagan poet will come up again in the Classical thought lessons.

What English words are related to *agricola*?

(Answers on next page.)

Three more First Conjugation verbs:

*superare* to overpower

Bible example:

*sed in his omnibus superamus propter eum qui dilexit nos.* Romans 8:37

Here “we overpower” becomes “we are more than conquerors” in English.

*oppugnare* to attack

This word is related to *pugno* which you already know.

*parare* to prepare

*qui operit caelum nubibus et parat terrae pluviam* Psalm 147:8

The word is in the third person singular here “he prepares.” Who is the subject of the verb? (Who is **he**?)

Answer on the next page.

Learn to chant these verbs and nouns and add them to your vocabulary notebook.

*Agricola* – related words: Agriculture, agricultural etc.  
Psalm 147:8 **he** is God.