

Trēs igitur Rōmānī in angustō locō stetērunt. Nec Etruscī pugnam dētrectāvērunt. Trēs principes contrā Rōmānōs prōcēdunt. Superbī et splendidī sunt principes; gladiīs coruscīs in Horātium et comitēs prōcēdunt. Horātius autem in hostem fulminis modō ruit, et princeps Etruscus magnō fragōre ad terram cecidit. Lartius quoque et Herminius hostēs validīs hastīs vulnerāvērunt et humī prostrāvērunt. Iterum Etruscī militēs fortēs ferōcēsque in Rōmānōs mīsērunt; iterum Rōmānī Etruscōs necāvērunt. Diū et ācriter pugnābant. Iam multa hostium corpora humī iacēbant. Etruscī timēbant, et Sextum, Tarquiniū filiū, incitāvērunt. Sed Sextus quoque Horātium timēbat et pugnam dētrectāvit, nec in Rōmānōs, tam dīros hostes, prōcessit.

**ācriter**—keenly.

**cado**, 3, **ceci**, **cāsum**—I fall.

**comes**, -itis, *c.*—companion.

**dētrecto**, 1—I shirk, refuse.

**dīrus**, -a, -um—dreadful.

**humus**, -i, *f.*—ground: **humī**—on the ground.

**mitto**, 3, **mīsi**, **missum**—I send.

**modō**—after the manner of (*abl.* of *modus*).

**princeps**, -cipis, *c.*—chief, prince.

**prōcēdo**, 3, -**cessi**, -**cessum**—I advance, go forward.

**trēs**—three.

**vulnero**, 1—I wound.

Make your own translation and then compare with my attempt on the next page. Don't forget when making your translation to write it by hand and to write it on every other line of you paper. This is what you will have to do in the exam and you will find it much easier if you get into the habit of doing so now.

The three Romans therefore stood in the narrow place. Nor did the Etruscans refuse to fight. Three princes advanced against the Romans. They advanced with flashing swords on Horatius and [his] friends. Horatius however rushed at the enemy like lightening and the Etruscan prince fell to the ground with a great crash. Lartius also and Herminius wounded enemies with [their] strong swords and threw them on the ground. Again the Etruscans sent strong and fierce soldiers to the Romans. Again, the Romans killed the Etruscans. They fought/were fighting for a long time and bitterly. Now many bodies of the enemy were lying on the ground. The Etruscans feared/were fearing and urged on Sextus the son of Tarquinius. But Sextus also feared Horatius and refused to fight nor did he advance on the Romans, such dreadful enemies.